

9-11-18 Preparedness Committee Minutes

Participating: Eric Alberts, Lynne Drawdy, Matt Meyers, Susan Ono, Michele Rud, Chief Stabile

Welcome & Background: Lynne provided an overview of the committee's work to date. The focus has been on creating a mass casualty triage form for use across the region and engaging EMS. Susan Ono will follow-up with Dr. Ibrahim on the draft triage form.

Chief Stabile is working to engage EMS. He has polled EMS agencies across the region but have not heard back from many on the contact list. He stated that he is not sure if the list is accurate or they are not engaged. Michele agreed to give contacts from Osceola County. Matt stated that we can also ask the ESF8 planners to provide their points of contact with EMS. Lynne reported that at a recent national conference EMS engagement in preparedness activities was listed as a national concern.

Eric provided an overview of next year's regional mass casualty exercise. The Orlando EOC has agreed to participate. Eric, Lynne and Matt are meeting this week to begin planning. Matt stated that there is also a required evacuation exercise and asked if the Orlando EOC has agreed to participate in this exercise. Eric stated that he only discussed the April exercise, and Matt will follow-up with them on the coalition surge tool exercise.

Susan stated that the ad hoc committee has discussed the need to develop a formal communication plan and the need to engage all stakeholders in all committees. This will also be discussed on today's executive committee call.

The group discussed the NFPA updates (National Fire Protection Standards). New standards have been released. Chief Stabile will reach out to see if there are any educational presentations on this available.

Lynne reminded the members that the next Coalition meeting is September 20 and will include presentations on the Parkland school shooting and active shooter education, as well as best practice presentations on evacuations and alternate care sites. She will resend the agenda as a reminder.