**Georgia Mountains (Region B) Healthcare Coalition**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Aug 21, 2019**

Northeast Georgia Health System, Braselton, GA



**Attendees:** Please see sign in sheet posted to GHA 911and [www.garegionb.org](http://www.garegionb.org) for this meeting

Convened: 10:00 Adjourned:1:20

**Welcome and Introductions**

* All members introduced themselves

**Coalition Information/Updates**

Matthew Crumpton, HCC

Donna Sue Campbell, HCF

* Walker Schlundt is now RCH NGHS Back Up for Matthew Crumpton
  + Phone: 334-538-6718
* Coalition Attendance has increased

**Georgia Mountain Healthcare Coalition Website**

* Website is now live at [**www.garegionb.org**](http://www.garegionb.org)
* Please register – click “Register” button, this allows us to maintain a list as required by grant
* Search for your facility/agency, select and proceed
* If your facility isn’t listed, scroll to end of page and select “register your facility”, then go to “register” button again
* Website has calendar of events, documents, sign in sheets, minutes, resources listed

**Training Updates:**

* TECC September 25-27, 2019 Hall County Sheriffs Training Complex
* Trauma Nurse Core Class- Locations and Dates needed.
* Rural Trauma Development Course: Locations and Dates needed.
* ENPC
* Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness Advanced Course-February 11, 2020-Ramsey Conference Center
* TECC- February 24-26, 2020, Hall County Sheriffs Training Complex
* Infectious Disease Conference-Mid March
  + Other states will be invited

**Exercises**

* **Operation Wesley TTX AAR**
  + Reviewed After Action Report and Improvement Plan. Please see complete document on GHA911.org or garegionb.org
    - Exercise Overview, reviewed objectives
    - Participating organizations listed-Exercise Planning and Participation
    - Total of 57 attendees
    - Regional analysis of core capabilities
* **Infectious Disease FSE November 4-8, 2019**
* Summary of participation so far:
  + **District 2 Public Health** 
    - Staff Notification for DOC activation
    - DOC Activation
    - Test redundant communications by hosting District 2 Everbridge call down drill
    - Maintain situational awareness through GDPH/GEMA WebEOC monitoring
    - Messaging to County Health Departments, as applicable
  + **Region B Healthcare Coalition**
    - Monitor resources requests from Coalition Partners
    - Maintain situational awareness through GHA911 WebEOC monitoring for common operating picture
    - Test redundant communications via Everbridge Call down drill, possible WebEOC drill
    - Response partners will be at their work site
    - PUI arrive at Tier 3 facilities who choose to test their processes (Identify-Isolate-Inform)
* **Multi-Year Training and Exercise Plan**
  + Region IV Infectious Disease FSE Nov 4-8, 2019
  + Pediatric TTX January 2020
  + MCM SNS FSE March 23-27, 2020
  + Patient Surge Full Scale Exercise late March 2020

**Funding**

* Ebola Grant Funding Updates
  + 75,000 spent so far
  + 107,000 left to spend and must be spent by March 202
  + Bioesque Solutions Update: Demonstration was done at last meeting on this product
    - Coalition will purchase every interested facility two handheld sprayers
    - Coalition will purchase two 5-gallon containers at a minimum for every facility to have enough stock for 3 months
    - One gallon will fill up a container 4 times.
    - Bioesque is used to clean their environment once a month (i.e., EMS vehicles, hospice facilities)

**2019-2020 Budget review**

* Instate travel (to meetings, EMAG conference) $65,717.00
* Out of state travel (to National Healthcare Coalition Conf) $15,133.20
* Equipment (money can be moved here later as needed) $0.00
* Supplies (for printing, exercise, triage tags, recruitment materials) $9,342.00
* Contractual (for trainings, website fees) $46,800.00
* Other (coalition meetings, food, room rental) $15.000.00
* Total $151,992.00

**Workgroup for Annual Response Plan**

Thank you to those who volunteers

**Partner Sharing:**

**Georgia Hospital Association**

**Lanetta Mathis**

* HPP Grants overview
  + Coalition requirements for 2019-2020 include a **Pediatric Surge Annex Plan**
* Ready.ga app is no longer available, it is replaced by the new **GEMA app**, available on website- gema.ga.gov.
* September is **National Preparedness Month**
  + There are great resources on GEMA website like a Digital “Go-Bag” and other apps
* **GEMA/TRS** Network is down
  + Please sign for courses thru email (included in training notices or email [Frank.Daniell@dph.ga.gov](mailto:Frank.Daniell@dph.ga.gov)) until TRS is up again
* **Patient tracking devices** are no longer used but can be recycled
  + Please return them to GHA staff or coalition leadership
* Disaster Mental Health website <http://www.georgiadisaster.info/>
  + Jeannette David has 2 new **Disaster Mental Health Field Response** Courses coming soon
* ASPR Tracie <https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/>
  + Source of information, including sample plans and many other resources from the Hospital Preparedness Program
* Disease outbreaks
  + Measles outbreak
  + Hep A
  + Ebola
  + **Travel Clinical Assistant** – free tool available to all on https://dph.georgia.gov
* Pediatric Preparedness Planning contact at CHOA is  [Cheryl.Walls-benner@choa.org](mailto:%20Cheryl.Walls-benner@choa.org)
* Dialysis Survey completed by Alex Benoit, GDPH Vulnerable Populations Coordinator is available and will be sent to all Coalitions for planning purposes.
  + Contains info on Dialysis Emergency Plans, back up equipment and other resources in place to help plan for patients with dialysis needs in an emergency
* **WebEOC** Transition- WebEOC is now on the DPH platform
  + Continue to access WebEOC through GHA911.org
  + Each facility registered has one username and password
  + Please sign in and become familiar with the new format
  + Training is available GHA911.org and Everbridge training in the gallery & video’s folder on GHA911.org
* **Georgia Health Care Association/Georgia Center for Assisted Living Updates**
* **Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness Course**
  + Basic & advanced courses offered statewide in 2019-2020
  + Please see handouts for dates. Also posted on garegionb.org
  + You do not need to take the basic class to go to the advanced class
  + EMA’s and State Fire Marshals are invited and will answer questions
* **Emergency Preparedness for Assisted Living and Personal Care** Homes Four Part Webinar Series
  + Free webinar on Wednesdays Sept 11- Oct 2
  + Please see the handout for dates. Info and registration also on <https://www.ghca.info>
* Nursing Home Council Tours are held in October, please see <https://www.ghca.info> for complete list
* **Northeast Council Education Meeting** is October 25 at the Hotel Indigo Athens

**Volunteer Program Overview**

**LaKieva Williams**

* **SERVGA.gov**
* Website to register volunteers, allows for organization and pre-credentialing before a disaster or event occurs
* Contact Lakieva if you need volunteers for exercises or real world responses

**Tools/Handouts**

* Long Term Care Emergency Preparedness Basic and Advanced Course Statewide Listing and registration link
* Emergency Preparedness for Assisted Living and Personal Care Homes: Four Part Webinar Series dates and registration links
* Operation Wesley TTX Situation Manual

**Future Meetings and Trainings**

* Healthcare Coalition Meetings
  + November 20, 2019 – Lanier Tech Ramsey Conference Center
  + May 20, 2020
  + August 19, 2020
  + November 18, 2020
* Mutual Aid Task Force – Georgia Public Safety Training Center, Forsyth, GA
  + September 13, 2019
  + December 12, 2019

**Reminders:**

* Sign in to WebEOC through GHA911.org to make sure your user ID and password works
* Remember the Infectious Disease Full Scale Exercise Nov 4-8 as there may be mass messaging sent to all members, please respond
* Register on the Region B Healthcare coalition website https//garegionb.org and obtain today’s meeting resources
* Register for trainings if you’re interested and let us know what trainings you would like
* Please take information from meeting back and share with your executive team
* **Next meeting: Nov 20, 10:00-1:00**