



*NORFEX Regional EMS Providers Association
United Regional – Hardemen Room
6 June 2019*

Meeting Minutes

1. The Pre-Hospital Providers meeting was called to order at 1600, 6 June 2019 at United Regional, Hardeman Room.
2. The minutes for the April 2019 meeting were approved without changes.
3. Mr. Simmons provided the financial report. Current balance is \$42,826.51. There have been \$1,150.00 in dues collected. Financial report was approved.
4. Reports
 - a. DSHS – No report
 - b. NTRAC – 1) Ms. Whitelaw informed the members that 38 thermometers were ordered from the LPG grant for a total of \$13,258. The grant covered the purchase except for \$222. A motion was made and approved to fund the \$222. When the thermometers are received they will be taken to Air Evac. If you haven't received one, they will be available at the August meeting. 2) There are 10 blades and 20 needles remaining. 3) She needs the pass through financial reports by 20 June 2019. DSHS has changed the reporting requirements and needs them submitted by the end of August. You can submit a payroll stub with the name blacked out. Ms. Whitelaw read the list and amounts eligible for pass through funds. 3) There is over \$34,000 available for equipment reimbursement. Submit your requests now so we can use the money. She asked why most people aren't filing for the \$750 reimbursement or waiting until the end of the year to submit requests. DSHS has change the requirements for items over \$5,000. The item has to be received before 1 July. Also, by DSHS requirements, any item over \$5,000 is a controlled asset and belongs to NTRAC, even if they only reimbursement \$750. Reimbursable items include, but not limited to, AED batteries, IPADs, computers, radios. 4) Ms. Whitelaw read the report for NTRAC. She also noted the 2019/2020 budget proposal will be posted on the website for review. 5) Her schedule at the post office has changed and she won't be available as much during the day. She has permission to work on NTRAC items for a couple of hours during the day and she'll work some of the issues during the evening until her post office schedule returns to normal. 6) The audit has been completed and she has submitted the corrective action report to DSHS and it was approved. The audit is closed.
 - c. GETAC – No Report



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- d. TETAF – The bill for RAC funding is on the Governor’s desk for signature. If it’s not signed within 30 days, the bill will become law. 2) The Drivers Responsibility act has been repealed. Surcharges to other DPS programs will make up the funding.
 - e. EMTF – No Report
5. Old Business - None
6. New Business – 1) Mr. Simons indicated that Mr. Sokora had completed filing the taxes. He refused to be reimbursed for the \$9.99 fee. Mr. Hoffman said the Providers should reimburse him. However, it was noted he refused. 2) Ms. Whitelaw discussed how several other RAC’s conduct business and she asked if our funds should be divided equally among the members. She asked the members to consider the issue
7. Open Forum - Mr. Nauman discussed some upcoming training. (Flyers attached)
8. The meeting adjourned at 1648. The next meeting will be on 1 August 2019.

L.E. NAUMAN
Secretary

POD Essentials Course

Learn the basics of working at a point of dispensing (POD) site.

Wednesday, June 19, 2019. 8 am-5 pm



Developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Taught locally by the **Wichita Falls- Wichita County Public Health District.**



POD Essentials is an introductory-level course that prepares new staff and volunteers to work at a POD site during a local public health emergency.

The course helps learners understand the background, process, and events leading up to POD activation, while motivating and preparing them to serve in a specific response role. The course includes presentations, follow-along workbooks, group discussions, and interactive games across five lessons.

- Lesson 1: Point of Dispensing Sites Overview
- Lesson 2: Point of Dispensing Site Functions and Roles
- Lesson 3: Greeting and Triage
- Lesson 4: Screening and Dispensing
- Lesson 5: Responder Wellness

Target Audience: New POD staff and volunteers

Date: June 19, 2019

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location:

NORTEX Regional Planning Commission
309 Old Jacksboro Hwy #200
Wichita Falls, TX

Register by: June 14, 2019

Why attend?

- ✓ Learn what to expect when working in a POD.
- ✓ Develop skills and strategies for supporting POD operations and ultimately saving lives.
- ✓ Practice the three main functions of a POD through skill-building games.
- ✓ Acquire CE for your learning (See back for more details).

For registration and more information contact:

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POD Essentials Course Accreditation Statements

The following statements apply to the full course offering of POD Essentials.

CME: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME®) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention designates this live activity for a maximum of 6.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

CNE: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is accredited as a provider of Continuing Nursing Education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. This activity provides 5.6 contact hours.

CEU: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is authorized by IACET to offer 0.7 CEUs for this program.

CECH: Sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a designated provider of continuing education contact hours (CECH) in health education by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. This program is designated for Certified Health Education Specialists (CHES®) and/or Master Certified Health Education Specialists (MCHES®) to receive up to 7.0 total Category I continuing education contact hours. Maximum advanced level continuing education contact hours available are 0. CDC provider number **98614**.

AAVSB/RACE: This program was reviewed and approved by AAVSB RACE program for 6.0 hours of continuing education. Participants should be aware that some boards have limitations on the number of hours accepted in certain categories and/or restrictions on certain methods of delivery of continuing education. Please contact the AAVSB RACE program if you have any comments/concerns regarding this program's validity or relevancy to the veterinary profession.

CPE: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a provider of continuing pharmacy education.

This program is a designated event for pharmacists to receive 0.59 CEUs in pharmacy education. The Universal Activity Number is **0387-0000-18-115-L04-P**.

Category: This activity has been designated as Knowledge-Based.

Once credit is claimed, an unofficial statement of credit is immediately available on TCEOnline. Official credit will be uploaded within 60 days on the NABP/CPE Monitor.

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TMLIRP Safety and Risk Management Training Sessions

Highway Traffic Control for First Responders



One of the greatest exposures to emergency services personnel for serious injuries or fatalities occurs while conducting duties on or near roadways. **Highway Traffic Control for Emergency Responders** helps emergency responders identify roadway exposures; improve decision making skills; understand the proper use of traffic control techniques; and be proactive in the use of pre-planning strategies.

Goals and Objectives: **Highway Traffic Control for Emergency Responders** provides information to help prevent injuries to emergency responders who work along roadways.

Participants will be able to:

- Improve understanding of the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* as it pertains to

emergency responders

- Recognize the need for advance scene notifications, devices, and the effect of device location
- Recognize the proper use of traffic control devices and techniques
- Understand correct vehicle and apparatus placement
- Be familiar with proper selection and use of personal protective equipment
- Understand how to effectively coordinate the overall scene among various responding agencies

Who Should Attend: Full-time and volunteer fire management and uniformed personnel, EMS, and police departments. Other personnel, such as public works and utility employees, who may be dispatched to the scene of an incident.

Note: Fire Department personnel may receive Level 2 continuing education credit. Volunteer firefighters may receive State Firemen's and Fire Marshals' Association (SFFMA) certification credit. Law enforcement personnel may receive TCOLE credit.

Effective 1 January, the class is required for all SFFMA certifications.

Please sign up and register on-line. The class is from 6PM to 9PM at the Burkburnett Community Center on 13 June 2019.

The class is open to all responders and you don't have to be a TML member to attend. Register at the link below.

<http://tmlirp.event.com/events/tmlirp-safety-and-risk-management-training-sessions/custom-123-35743e6c926844ffb939c6997d45192.aspx>