



*NCRTEX Regional EMS Providers Association
United Regional – Wichita Room
5 August 2021*

Meeting Minutes

1. The Pre-Hospital Providers meeting was called to order at 1612, 5 August 2021 at United Regional, Wichita Room. A roster of attendees is attached.
2. Minutes from the 4 June 2021 meeting were approved without changes.
3. Mr. Matthews informed the members the balance of the account was \$42,931.84. No deposits have been made since April 2019. Membership dues are do at the next meeting. Mr. Perez will get with Ms. Whitelaw to send out invoices.
3. Reports
 - a. DSHS – The state-wide blanket waiver based on COVID Emergency Orders expires 1 September 2021. Mr. Matthews noted that agencies can still request waivers as individual entities.
 - b. NTRAC – 1) Ms. Whitelaw reported that all the pass-through fund amounts for this FY were received and she provided the members the amounts received. 2) RAC System Development Funds (previously the Tobacco Funds) amounts have been announced. 3) The trailers have been approved as well as the wrist band initiative and receipt of funds are pending. 4) CQI information and remaining inventory is listed in the CQI report. 5) A new training program, RQI, was discussed as a possibility. It will help maintain certification and skills BLS, ACLS, PALS, RPI, etc. Rather than current renewal requirements, you could train quarterly for 10 minutes or more and maintain your skills. There is a fee for the programs use per member; however, the members can be changed without additional fees. 6) Mr. Hoffman said Ms. Stringfellow requested transporting agencies notify the ER when you are coming in with a direct admit patient. The floor receiving the patient may have been notified, but the patient’s status may change during transport, or the floor or room number for the patient may have changed. The report doesn’t have to be detailed, just a name and ETA. 7) Ms. Whitelaw read an email from another RAC on the wristband program that is to be implemented by December 2022. The alpha/numeric identifier will be required for the trauma registry.
 - c. Mr. Matthews discussed eBridge program rollout and establishing a training date to complete the initial training and IPAD setup. He said TRANS Star will host the event. The training will consist of setting up a master account, an initial IPAD that can then be used to clone the agencies remaining IPADS. Testing of the IPAD to ensure the program is working and to setup any applications you may need to work the programs. He recommended removing the applications, i.e. Netflix, games, etc., that you didn’t want available to your crews. He also recommended looking in a cell phone booster that can be used on the trucks for signals that are poor in the rural areas. Training was set for 24 August 2021 at 1100 and will last about 2 to 2 ½ hours. Address 4312 Call Field Rd.

- a. GETAC – 1) Mr. Matthews noted Ms. Whitelaw discussed the DSHS waivers expiration. 2) NREMT testing and skills have been extended 6 months past the 2 year class end date since April 2020. 3) The Trauma and EMS rules are open for a complete review, revision and changes and updates. The proposal should be available at the EMS Conference in Austin in November. 4) the first live GTAC meeting will also be in November.
 - b. TETAF – No Report
 - c. EMTF – No Report. Mr. Matthews did note that the EMTF will not be setting up a medical tent during the Hotter’ n Hell. They considered it a mission rather than training.
2. Old Business – Previously discussed wristbands and trailers.
 3. New Business – Mr. Pankonien discussed a regional grant for Responders Mental Health. His wife works at MSU and is completing the grant. He asked the agencies present to help support the grant by submitting their turnover rate for 2018, 2019 and 2020. Our 13 county region is severely underserved. The grant application has a quick turn around and is due by 30 August. The grant works to deal with stressors responders face.
 4. The meeting adjourned at 1720. The next meeting will be on 7 October 2021 at 1600.

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