GEMAC Quarterly Meeting

May 29, 2018
1:00pm – 3:00pm

Attendees

Members: Clay Stamp (Chairman), John Allen, Mike Berna, Richard DeVore, Jr., Jonathan Favorite, Ronnie Gill, Tom Moran Guests: Charles Taylor (DMIL), Geoffrey Donahue (MDE). MEMA: Terry Thompson, Lydia Simonaire.

SERC Business

- The SERC subcommittee has processed and approved several Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) appointment requests, most recently for Frederick and Wicomico counties
- The SERC subcommittee is planning to hold a meeting in June to discuss the allocation of Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant funds, pending the funding announcement from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)
- MEMA handles administrative support, processing, and approvals of LEPC appointments and MDE handles processing and storage of Tier II Emergency and Hazardous Chemical Inventory Reports

Next Generation 911 Update

- Legislation to appoint 911 Commission was passed and the first set of appointments to the Commission has been announced
- Does/will the Commission consider impacts of NextGen 911 technology on operators?
  - No; MACo affiliate ECC subcommittee is addressing

MEMA

- Due to a facility issue, MEMA activated its Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) for two weeks in the beginning of May. The Maryland Joint Operations Center relocated to the Harford County EOC during the COOP activation
- The National Level Exercise occurred during the COOP activation and MEMA participated from Harford County EOC
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- Continuing to close gaps on programmatic measures on core objectives and monitor impact indicators such as deaths, non-fatal overdoses, neonatal abstinence syndrome, etc.
- Overdose numbers are still high; slight decrease in number of nonfatal overdoses
- Hospital emergency departments are at 100% compliance on standard discharge protocols
- Schools are generally at a 50% compliance rate statewide with special classroom programs and school special events and 35% on new curriculum

Search & Rescue Overview

Mike Berna provided an overview of the Search and Rescue Workgroup in Maryland (background brief/summary to follow).

- Search and Rescue Workgroup was established by MEMA director and has been working to develop a statewide response system plan
  - System is based on typing, credentialing, mission ready packages
- There is some lack of clarity/communication regarding other search and rescue efforts going on within MEMA
- Mike Berna requested that the GEMAC provide support for the implementation of the workgroup’s statewide response system plan
  - GEMAC members requested additional information on statewide response system plan and an update from MEMA regarding search and rescue efforts prior to a decision on support for the plan

Public/Private Partnership

Tom Moran provided a briefing on the All Hazards Consortium and the Sensitive Information Sharing Environment (SISE) tool they are developing (presentation slides attached)

- Facilitates communication and integration between private/public sectors
- SISE – modeled as an app, currently in pilot phase
  - Provides secure, vetted access to verified data
  - Real-time situational awareness based on real life events
- To participate in SISE pilot: send email to tom.moran@ahcus.org “please include me in the DHS NIPP pilot program,” include your name, company and cell phone or send text to 410 -707 -3698: “NIPP, [your corporate email address]”
  - Access closes Friday 6/30/2018

Action items review

- Invite GEMAC members to local Senior Policy Group and Opioid Intervention Team meetings (Allegany & Prince George’s counties)
• Topics for next meeting:
  o Briefing on St. Mary’s School Shooting Incident (Tim Cameron)
  o Update on Search and Rescue coordination/efforts (MEMA)