Maryland Active Assailant Interdisciplinary
Work Group

Wednesday, July 17, 2019
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Location: 100 Community Pl, Crownsville, MD 21032

Meeting Minutes


10:10 a.m. 1. CALL TO ORDER
Sgt. Travis Nelson, Co-Chair, MD AAIWG
Mr. Randy Linthicum, Co-Chair, MD AAIWG

● Declaration of quorum - (15 out of 29 present)
● Approval of May’s Meeting Minutes - motion to approve: Jim Radcliffe, seconded - Claude Nelson - all in favor, motion carried.
● Schedule next meeting - Wednesday, Sept. 4, 1:30 pm

2. WORK GROUP UPDATE
Sgt. Travis Nelson, Co-Chair, MD AAIWG
Mr. Randy Linthicum, Co-Chair, MD AAIWG

1) Administrative changes for the subcommittees.
   (1) Introduced Matt Bangs, MSP/AAIWG Intern
   (2) Primary focus - assisting subcommittee chairs
      (a) Matt will help schedule/coordinate meetings and locations
      (b) Keep notes for meetings
      (c) Timeline monitoring
      (d) Contact information will be forthcoming
      (e) He will be using the AAIWG email

2) Subcommittee status updates:
   ■ Reports from subcommittees:
      ● Planning & Preparedness (Bob Mueck)
         ○ Created shared drive and asked folks to download planning & preparedness documents to help build tool box.
- **Prevention** (Cal Bowman & Dawn O’Croinin)
  - Cal Bowman not present and no update available.

- **Community Outreach** (Kevin Lewis)
  - John Reginaldi - Kevin still out, no update.
  - Randy Linthicum has reached out to Social Security in Woodlawn - lead security person will become a member of this group.
    - Has done a lot of work with employee preparedness.

- **Equipment** (Greg Dietrich & Michael O’Connell)
  - No meeting since last full workgroup meeting - hope to meet before the end of August.
  - Have identified Deputy Tommy Werhle to assist with the LE equipment recommendations - pending approval of his Sheriff. Sgt. Nelson will draft a request to the Sheriff requesting approval for the deputy to participate.
  - Have been collecting information on the IFAK

- **EMS Protocol** (Dr. Matt Levy)
  - Met July 9.
  - Reviewed literature (most up to date TEC & TCCC guidelines).
  - Came up with 8 recommendations/additions to be added to the protocol:
    - Will be addressed at the next protocol meeting in Sept. and seek board approval in November
    - Changes distributed in separate document
  - Highlights -
    - adding bleeding control algorithm & addressing for bleeding before airway (all hazards)
    - Adding junctional tourniquet
    - Adding vented chest seals
    - Added wound packing
    - Recommendation to not give excess fluids
  - 2 pending items:
    - potential addition of TXA (clotting medication)
    - adding whole blood for transfusion in the field

- **Training & Exercise** (Jim Radcliffe)
  - Have not met.
  - Distributed email requesting currently available trainings to be submitted.
Areas to be addressed include business, community, healthcare facilities, hospitals, schools, houses of worship, EMS/Fire, law enforcement, special operations/tactical.

To develop a list of what’s currently available.

- **Communications** (Capt. Scott Brillman)
  - Have not met
  - Working on the survey results
    - Gap identified is Safe Schools Maryland - training 24 PSAPs on the Safe Schools Maryland.
    - Training subcommittee is working with Safe Schools Maryland.

- **Family Information Center & Resources** (Bethany Brown & Lt. Steve Thomas)
  - Formerly Family Reunification and Recovery/CISM/Behavioral Health - merged together
  - 4 Phase approach - CISM & Reunification
  - Document being created that will encompass CISM & reunification
    - Training guidance to accompany
    - In draft form

- **Integrated Response** (John Filer)
  - Field guide as distributed to group - no current responses; no one received.
  - To send to Leesa for redistribution to group.

- **Marty Hammond** - Maryland 211
  - Online database & call center available to the public for information.
    - Might be a good option for AAIWG guidance to be housed on.
  - Suggested that Bob Mueck/Planning & Preparedness look at Maryland 211 as a viable option.

- Randy & Travis - attended a conference where Virginia Beach presented on how they trained prior to their event.
  - They are interested in briefing the group - pending approval; trying to get them in for the September meeting.

- Randy & Travis presented at several conferences over the last few months. A lot of good feedback that will be passed on to the individual subcommittees.
3. Round Table - A basic overview of recent events will be discussed to identify any immediate items that need to be addressed

- Dawn O’Croinin - Executive Order issued dealing with Mental & Behav. Health services- she will be participating with that commission and will report back to this group.
- Margaret George (DC) - hosting a full day Human Trafficking seminar in August.
- Meghan McClelland - working on increasing training activities around active assailant.
  - Looking to involve the C-Suite (executive level staff) in training
- Rich Simons - Mass Attacks in Public Spaces (MAPS) Conference with USSS
  - Reviewed highlights of conference - focused on threat assessment
  - Colorado has an app - Safe To Tell (Safe Schools MD app is comparable)
  - 93% of attackers use some sort of threatening or concerning communication prior to attack
  - Importance of engaging the community
  - Prevention was the big takeaway from the conference
- Scott Brillman - Communications -
  - (24) 911 centers working on text to 911- should be live by the end of year
    - There will be a public announcement once ready
  - Baltimore is hosting APCO conference (Association of Public Communications Officers) at the Baltimore Convention Center in August
    - Largest communications conference in the world
    - Las Vegas will be presenting
- John Scholz & John Filer - explained intention of Field Guide being distributed for review.
  - Focus is on the beginning of an incident - to help organize an event as it begins to expand
- Ray Hanna - DHS will be participating in the APCO.
- Travis Nelson - survey update - still trying to address best route of distribution.
  - Already using MIEMSS EMS survey
  - Chamber of Commerce was suggested by Meghan McClelland
- Michael O’Connell - NSA Active Shooter exercise on 7/31/19.

4. Action Item Review

1. Asked subcommittees to forward documents to Matt Bangs.