

**TSA-O
Hospital HRSA
Preparedness Planning
Workshop
Agenda**

June 9, 2006

- I. Sign In
- II. Introductions
- III. Communications-Interoperability-Patrick Cobb, WCEMS

Long term interoperability (ability for first responders to use radio as primary means of communicating with any emergency service that is involved with any given incident) presented, explained and discussed.

Emphasis placed on the importance of having proper communication equipment between emergency departments and need to know personnel, such as law enforcement, fire services, EMS, public utilities, federal agencies (FBI, ATF, military, etc.), hospitals and health departments.

Hospital Interoperability during disasters.:

Hospitals do need to talk to each other during disasters. Information can be exchanged by radio if other lines of communication cease to exist.

Hospital staff who need or would benefit from inter-hospital radio interoperability need to be identified.

Determine amount and type of equipment needed and coordinate frequencies between government entities.

Develop protocols and continuously use those protocols. Communication interoperability drills need to be carried out as often as possible.

Public Safety Agencies need to drill with you.

- IV. HAM Radio Installation Update – No update at this time
- V. HRSA 05 Wrap-up

VI. HRSA 06 Update-Planning

- Bed Availability
- Patient Tracking
- Training

This information is required by the HRSA 07 Gant. Bed availability information is covered by the EM Bed Ready Project,

VII. DSHS-HRSA Audit

This audit is scheduled for the 4th week in August.

VIII. EM Bed Ready Project Update-Leslie Grey

Initial Beta installs complete (NAMC, Round Rock and Georgetown). The highlights are as follows:

- Liked system functionality – EVS productivity and local/regional automated reporting
- Facilities want the flexibility to utilize select features
- Would appreciate minimal IT & site installation requirements
- Need to improve system reliability
- Would like an additional status – dirty terminal (process to clean infectious beds)

Per the feedback, FTG will be moving forward with a hosted IVR model which will achieve the following:

- Minimize the burden on IT, make rollouts a lot easier, eliminate the need for the phone lines, provide flexibility for feature selection, improve system reliability.
- Incorporating the changes from the betas will move the rollout dates FTG will be contacting you shortly with new schedule information,

FTG will proceed with orientations to make sure all facilities are appropriately briefed on the project. If your facility has not yet had a phone or in person orientation about the Bed Ready project, please contact Leslie Gray at 512-480-0883 x 121.

IX. Regional Query – Outstanding ones are due immediately.

X. HRSA 07

XI. Regional Operational Issue Discussion

XII. Next Meeting-

June 23, 2006 9AM-11AM
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