



NORTHEAST REGIONAL HEALTH CARE COALITION

MEETING AGENDA: THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19TH 2020 – VIRTUAL

MEETING LOCATION: **VIRTUAL**

MEETING TIME: 10 a.m. Meeting called to order: 10:02 a.m.

ZOOM MEETING LINK:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85852445299?pwd=QTlyY2YzTm5aeG9idGN0UVczVGNyQT09>

ZOOM RECORDING LINK:

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PRESENTATION OF THE AGENDA AND MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Motion to approve agenda made by Dustin. Second by Andrea. Agenda approved.

ATTENDANCE:

Remote Attendees: Andrea Crowder, Rob Crowder, Roger Brown, Della Calhoon, Dustin Handley, Erika Saffer, Bryant McCall, Kim Simpson, Ron Seedorf, Erin Witte, Roger Doll, Korena Lau, Paula Davis, Ron Cooper, Joe King, Darcy Janssen, Marilyn Johnson, Kim Schallenberger, Jessica Strong, Jami Brecht, Sharon Greenman, Glenn Griffin, Jasmine Shea, Bob Heldenbrand, Cody Samuelson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OLD BUSINESS / REPORTS:

- **Fiscal Report** - Ron Seedorf
 - *(Fiscal reports included with minutes)*
 - Reference the first part of the supplemental COVID funding, Ron asked if the Board would consider moving the Sedgwick County Ambulance project from part II to part I to help expend remaining funds.
 - Dustin thanked Ron for his time and efforts in assisting the NERHCC. Ron will be retiring in January. We wish him well!
- **Outstanding Deliverable Updates** – Cody Samuelson, Readiness and Response Coordinator
 - An HVA, Sustainability Plan, and Crisis of Care Annex are due 12/30
 - *Contact Cody if you are interested in contributing to these deliverables*

NEW BUSINESS:

- **COVID-19 Status Updates / Discussion / Best Practices / Barriers**
 - Erin – (Wray) bed availability is dwindling especially with needing to transfer more acutely ill patients. Erin is going to start collecting data specific to the time spent facilitating and completing transfers. Erin asked if anyone else is monitoring this or experiencing a similar challenge.
 - Dustin mentioned that UCHHealth is working through the challenges of making the transfer process efficient. UCHHealth has a specific DocLine group to facilitate transfers.
 - UCHHealth is also experiencing staffing and bed availability challenges. Staffing has been harder hit recently than during the spring. Critical care nursing shortage across the country. A team nursing concept is being used. UCHHealth holding twice a day regional calls to discuss strategies. Drive through testing at the Ranch is ongoing 500-600 tests per day. That test site is CLOSED on Wednesdays.
 - Focus on regional resources and communication to work through challenges.
 - Transportation across state lines is a current challenge. (Interstate HCC meeting is working on addressing this.) Staffing outside of clinical care at Kit Carson is also a challenge. Looking at cross training. Contact Cody for the Interstate HCC meeting
 - Jami increased referrals from different medical providers related to depression and anxiety. How do are COVID+ with mental health needs being treated? Front line staff, how are you/they taking care of themselves? Darcy asked for information from Centennial Mental Health to offer on-line mental health first aid classes. Designed to give the response community more tools. Darcy will share after the meeting and Cody will distribute with the regular Tuesday PowerPoint briefing. Jami did reference that discussion during recent meetings has been minimal and asked if there was a way to change it.
 - Bob Heldenbrand discussed Melissa Memorial looking for a ventilator; Keefe Memorial had a ventilator they were willing to share. There was helpful communication and coordination to get Melissa Memorial the ventilator they needed. Bob submitted a 213 in WebEOC for an additional ventilator. Kyle Lopez responded and asked if they would take two ventilators due to a potential need in the region. If someone needs a ventilator, reach out locally to start, if a ventilator is not in use they could be moved based on need.
- **Discuss New Meeting Format**
 - Starting with the next meeting all coalition members will be welcome to attend the meeting as a whole.
 - We will address the regular business up front and then break the meeting up by discipline or core membership group. I.e. hospitals, emergency managers, EMS, public health, etc.
 - The hope is this will create focused and lively discussion among the core group members.
 - More information will follow.
- **Request for Project Proposals (Additional COVID and regular HPP funding)**

- Reach out to Cody if you have ideas for project proposals or need documentation to put things together.
- CDPHE wasn't especially favorable to initial RapidTag credentialing request; working on alternative strategy. Darcy and Mike will continue efforts to make the devices operational, reach out to them if you are in need.
- Aeroclave(s) hospital room decon, mini-grants to complete deliverables, PPE, website updates, additional staff to help with HCC workload, were mentioned by other coalitions as potential funding sources.

PRESENTATIONS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: If you are interested in helping complete either the Sustainability Plan or Crisis Standards of Care Annex reach out to Cody to organize a group(s) to complete that process in December so the deliverables can be completed and submitted by the December 30 deadline.

ACTION ITEMS: Next Meeting – January 21, 2021 10:00 a.m.; information about new format to follow!

ADJOURN: 11:04 a.m.