



NLCERA

EMS Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting minutes from **June 20, 2018, 08:30 – 10:00**, at PFA Station 12, 321 Country Club Rd,

Greetings All,

Please see the minutes from the June 20, 2018 EMS Advisory Committee Meeting:

Discussion Items:

- 1) Welcome existing and new members (see Roster: [Appendix A](#))
 - a. Amy Huff – FC911
- 2) Approval of [April, 2018 meeting minutes](#)
 - a. Minutes approved, no discussion
- 3) Review [Purpose and Mission](#)
 - a. Review of commitment to strategic, purposeful, action oriented EMS response improvements in the NLCERA.
- 4) Meeting Schedule Validation/Confirmation/Update
 - a. Bi-Monthly meetings?
 - b. Third-Wednesday meeting dates?
 - c. The current bi-monthly, third-Wednesday schedule was confirmed as working for most involved. The schedule is to remain the same for now.
- 5) PFA Updates
 - a. Chief Waters – NLCERA AHJ system model presentation
 - i. Chief Waters presented the different governance models of EMS services in the United States. This is the same presentation given to the NLCERA Rural Chief's meeting on June 16, 2018.
 - ii. The PFA and UCH model is an authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) over a private EMS Contractor.
 - iii. PFA awarded a contract for EMS services, per authority under Colorado Revised Statutes. UCH being a non-profit hospital based private ambulance service is the selected contractor for EMS services within the NLCERA by PFA. PFA administers the EMS Contract through Intergovernmental agreements (IGAs) which PFA has with the eight agencies that comprise the NLCERA: Rist Canyon, Wellington, Poudre Canyon, Livermore, Glacier View, Red Feather, Crystal Lakes, and LCSO-by LOA.
 - b. EMS Contract annual renewal Completed - June 1, 2018

- i. EMS Contract has been renewed as of June 1, 2018 for 2018-2019, by PFA with UCH.
 - ii. Bill and Kevin described the R-E process and how the final version, which is now a part of the EMS Contract through Amendment #4, was created in a collaborative effort with UCH.
 - iii. PFA has also constructed an evaluation tool which clearly indicates what must be a part of any submitted R-E for approval.
 - iv. R-E allows UCH to focus research and planning toward identifying and implementing improvements in the NLCERA and WFPD zones where deficits per the EMS Contract exist.
 - c. EMS Captain introduction – Floyd Salazar
 - i. Chief Waters advised of PFA’s hiring an EMS Captain, Floyd Salazar, who comes from Aurora FD, and Anschutz as EMS Director.
 - ii. PFA is also hiring an internal EMS Captain rotational position to support the EMS Division.
 - iii. PFA will have a significantly improved ability to support EMS in PFA and the NLCERA.
 - d. NLCERA Data – First Watch Online Compliance Utility (FW-OCU)
 - i. FW-OCU setup and programing is still in process.
 - ii. The FW-OCU is what UCH is providing as their NLCERA EMS response compliance reporting tool.
 - iii. PFA and UCH will be reconciling January, 2018 – July, 2018 data to establish the official 2018 compliance data. This will begin once the OCU is operational, which is expected by the end of June. Reconciliation will be completed by August 1, 2018.
 - e. NLCERA Peer Support team opportunity
 - i. Bill presented the Regional Peer Support Team (PST) model being used by many police, fire and EMS departments along the Front Range of Colorado.
 - ii. The Colorado peer support programs are rooted in the 2005, Colorado Revised Statute (CRS) 13-90-107(m). The Peer Support CRS establishes confidentiality between peer support team members and peers seeking peer support assistance. There are numerous reasons listed where confidentiality is not protected. An example model of peer support guidelines was available for review at this meeting.
 - iii. Joanne Rupert is offering her support to form a peer support team within the six rural NLCERA departments. Joanne is a former emergency responder. She is offering to function as counseling clinician for the NLCERA departments who are not currently a part of the PST network along the Front Range.
 - iv. Any stakeholder or response organization wishing more information, please contact Bill Salmon or Kevin Waters.
 - f. Chief Waters PFA/NLCERA representative on CRISP
 - i. Chief Waters is the PFA CRISP Admin and Steering representative for PFA and the NLCERA.
- 6) UCH Operational Update

- a. Status Updates: Nick
 - b. Two new ambulances (Springer Van style) will be here soon. UCH to evaluate this type of vehicle for response.
 - i. Comments: need 4x4 capability and high ground clearance for rural NLCERA.
 - c. New Director search update – Nick
 - i. The new UCH EMS Director search is on-going. Nick will keep us advised of UCH’s progress.
 - ii. UCH EMS Senior Director has been hired – from Missouri.
 - d. Unit ID update
 - i. UCH is producing a condensed EMS response unit identification listing which will be published soon.
 - e. Radio ID update
 - i. Previously, radios were programed to be associated with unit ID.
 - ii. Currently, due to more unit ID’s than radios, all radio ID numbers will be part of the unit logon process, to associate each radio with a unit ID.
 - 1. The unit ID is what FC Dispatch and LC Dispatch will see when receiving transmissions from any UCH unit.
 - iii. Radio ID number stickers will arrive on Friday and Nick will coordinate with UCH’s Dave Jacoby to begin logins training.
 - 1. Rena – will update her staff to expect to see the unit ID’s when receiving transmissions.
 - 2. Nick to advise PFA when all personnel are trained and using logging radios on to show unit ID.
 - iv. Nick advised UCH now is using LC-EMS, which was recently added.
 - 1. Tom F. – 800 Meg is working well in the rural, in most places.
 - f. First Watch update
 - i. Same as above, FW-OCU will be online within a few weeks.
 - g. ESO update
 - i. ESO charting system rollout has gone well at UCH.
 - h. MARVLS
 - i. Delays with IT technologies have caused implementation delays.
 - ii. Unknown time frame – possibly two weeks.
 - i. Posting in PFA Station areas
 - i. In the past UCH ambulances posted in five ambulance zones.
 - ii. Now UCH posts in approximately 12 zones using PFA fire station areas.
 - iii. Discovered issue with status of AIQ which activated PFA’s Zetron station alerting system, so UCH units stay AOR when logged into a PFA station area.
 - j. Other?
 - i. The NLCERA and WFPD EMS 2018 Annual Report due date is September 1, 2018.
 - ii. Nick and his staff are working on this to have a high quality report.
- 7) Focused discussions on Challenges and Opportunities regarding:
- o Communications
 - Air Ops updates regarding operating channels

- LC Radio Tech, Dave Rowe, attended the June 16, 2018 NLCERA EMS Rural Chief's meeting, and gave an excellent radios systems update (see Rural Chiefs NLCERA page for [minutes](#)).
- Lifeline does not have Mutual Aid 1
- Bill advised the pilot, Jake, for Lifeline was assigned on June 16, at the Rural NLCERA meeting, to apply to NCRCN for Mutual Aid 1 for the helicopter radios.
- Duane R. advised Lifeline pilot, Jake, leaving UCH, and a new pilot being hired.
 - Discussion of Lifeline channels and the need to apply for Mutual Aid 1, 2 and 3.
 - Amy H. advised Mutual Aid 1 is Fire, 2 is Law, and 3 is for EMS. Any mutual aid channel can be utilized as needed, but generally they are designated this way.
 - Duane to follow-up with Nate at UCH to apply for these channels.
 - Bill to send Dave Rowe's contact information to Duane.
- Air resources radio use meeting update
 - Follow-up: Theo suggested at the last committee meeting to assemble a group to discuss radio channel changes and use.
 - Kevin and Bill have worked on this idea and suggest the CRISP Steering Committee is the best place for this discussion.
 - Kevin will take addressing changes at CRISP Steering to ensure all stakeholders are aware and have feedback before changes are made.
- Dispatch Centers – FC and LC
 - New CAD Status
 - Council approved first reading June 19, 2018
 - Second reading is in July, then Fort Collins will move forward with Loveland and Larimer County for new CAD
 - New Police Chief now onboard. Very personable.
 - New LCSO Paging System update
 - Bill presented an overview from correspondence with Dave Rowe.
 - Current paging hardware to remain the same
 - Hiplink is software to assist with web paging, but is behind on delivery and implementation.
 - Other?
- OEM (LC and FC)
 - Lori – LC
 - Larimer County full scale, dual incidents, exercises June 5th, 2019.
 - Ask Lori about being on the planning committee.

- July 17, 2018 – Animal Rescue planning/training at the Ranch
- September 8, Flood commemoration event in Big Thompson Canyon
 - Contact Chris for information
- EMS Expo – October 6, 2018 at the Ranch
- Mass Gathering Plan which was sent to all on this committee.
 - Out for signatures
 - Lori asked if all Fire Departments (FD) need to sign plan?
 - Consensus is keep at municipal FD's level
 - Discussion of liability for not signing
 - Not clear, but potentially more liability for not having a planning document to follow.
 - Identifying many small events happening on same date, when aggregated may become significant mass gathering.
 - Complexity analysis form praised for simplicity and effectiveness.
- Colorado Emergency Disaster Act
 - Has passed in Colorado legislature this year.
 - Establishes resiliency office – not funded
 - Next year work on funding office
 - Governor setting up a Policy Group to work out policy issues among localities. Will have authority to enforce policy.
- Chris – FC OEM
 - Potential change to FC OEM to be under City of Fort Collins, no longer under PFA
 - Civilian OEM Director
 - Timing is early 2019
 - Discussion of numerous 2018 CSU football games and other events happening simultaneously which will increase complexity for planning and emergency services.
 - NE All Hazards Region – Grant funding at \$377,000
 - New fiscal agent is Greeley
 - Two current projects
 - Emergency generator at CLVFD
 - Night Vision equipment for LCSO
- [NLCERA Feedback Forms](#) testing and use discussion
 - All were reminded these forms ensure follow-up and feedback.
- ReadyOP test – use and issues feedback?
 - All received the ReadyOp test sent on Tuesday.
 - Discussion of potential use of ReadyOp Forms capability

- Example: Complexity Analysis sharing.
- Training
 - ART-CPR
 - NLCERA ART-CPR protocol live August 1, 2018
 - Dr. Tremblay advised moving the live date back to August 1 from July 1 was necessary to ensure training and readiness.
 - GLVFD Advanced Resuscitation Training – CPR (ART-CPR) May, 2018 training delivered – Chief Waters/Chief Fournier
 - Kevin advised approximately 65 responders were trained in ART-CPR.
 - Discussion of effectiveness and improvements in CPR making a difference on EMS scenes.
 - NLCERA Rural EMS Update
 - Updates from June 16, 2018 NLCERA Rural EMS Chief’s Meeting
 - The EMS Advisory Committee meeting is at a strategic level, where the Rural Chief’s meeting addresses specific needs of the Rural NLCERA.
 - Bill advised anyone wanting more in-depth knowledge of the topics covered in this meeting, to read the [June 16, 2018 minutes](#).
 - Banner EMS offerings
 - Dave B. presented many items under RETAC
 - The EMT refresher program historically produced by TVA, UCH, and NCME is being consolidated to co-produce this offering for EMT certification renewal.
 - Follow-up: Goal to have five tourniquets on every licensed ambulance.
 - All tourniquets have been shipped.
 - Contact Jeff at RETAC if any questions
 - RETAC program using Eagle Scouts to create wound packing and tourniquet kits.
 - Kneepad meetings – at TVA (See RETAC calendar) good for continuing education.
 - Other Opportunities –
 - Tom F. – appreciating to Chief Waters for his efforts to bring ART-CPR training to the Rural NLCERA.
- Transport – No issues
 - UCH Update -
 - Rural EMS
 - Air Resources
 - Lessons learned or improvements?
- Planning
 - NLCERA – LZ Map updates

- Most current LZ map at Poudre-fire.org website
 - Radio – 800 in Rural NLCERA
 - See above, as well as the Rural NLCERA meeting minutes – June 16, 2018.
 - NLCERA Training and Resources webpage status and needs?
 - None identified.
- 8) As time allows - agency updates affecting NLCERA
 - a. Carol D. – RCVFD – Festival September 8, 2018
 - b. Ron H. – RCVFD – Contact Duane to coordinate helicopter
 - c. Dave B. – Banner – Colorado Website has update regarding ground ambulance rules for counties and state.
 - i. June 27, 2018 these will be out for reiveiw
- 9) Other Opportunities:
- 10) Next Meeting: August 15, 2018, 08:30-10:00, PFA Fire Station 12, Downstairs Training room.

Please contact Kevin Waters or Bill Salmon with any questions:

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Appendix A

20-Jun-18	NCLERA EMS Committee Meeting Roster		Please update Emails	Please update phone #'s
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