



NCFHCC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

January 25, 2023

MEETING MINUTES

The North Central Florida HealthCare Coalition held its monthly meeting in a hybrid format on January 25, 2023, at 1:30 via Zoom <https://nefrc-org.zoom.us/j/89168661472>

Documents provided to the NCFHCC Members via email:

Agenda; Validation of Board Members; Minutes from October 2022; Financial Report for October, November, and December 2022; New Member Requests; 2022-2023 HVA link.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Matt Ferguson with validation of a quorum, with the following new Board members present:

Hospitals: Suzanne DeKay

EMS: Matt Ferguson

Emergency Management: Ralph Smith

At-Large Representative: Lola Butler

At-Large Representative: Misty Woods

Public Health: Tom Moffses

At-Large Representative: Jason Long

Others in Attendance: See Zoom report attached.

Absent:

Long-Term Care: N/A

Welcome & Introductions

Board Chair, Matt Ferguson welcomed everyone to the virtual meeting.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from October 2022 were provided to Board members via electronic mail and January Meeting Packet.

The Chair called for a motion of approval. Mr. Moffses moved approval; Mr. Smith seconded; Motion carried.

FINANCIAL

Finance Report

Ms. DeKay presented the finance report for October, November, and December 2022.

The Chair called for a motion of approval. Mr. Long moved approval; Mr. Moffses seconded; Motion carried.

Expenditure Requests - None

Management and Administration

- **EMAG 2023** 13 individuals have expressed interest in attending EMAG 2023. Staff report registration should open soon, and they will reach out to those planning to attend for registration information. If anyone is still interested in attending, let staff know. Those interested in attending will receive an email soon so staff can capture contact information for registration.
- **Newsletter Feedback** Staff resumed the HCC newsletter earlier this month, and report there will be a quarterly newsletter. The newsletter will highlight projects, member activities, and other related events occurring across the region.
- **Project Funding Update** Four projects are complete and are in the process of reimbursement. The other projects are still procuring their equipment but are on track to be completed in a timely manner. Still awaiting 2 signed MOAs, as the organization is still awaiting leadership sign-off. The projects are expected to be complete by June 30.
- **CDBG Healthcare** Eric Anderson presented updates on the healthcare facility mapping work being done through the CDBG Healthcare grant. Starting in April of 2023, members of the CDBG Healthcare project will be presenting full map series to each respective Coalition. The map series identifies vulnerabilities that exist, which threaten the healthcare facility lifeline.
- **RFQs Posted** Staff report the HCC posted three RFQs for COOP Writing Workshops, Pediatric Surge Event TTX, and virtual tabletop exercise offerings.

BUSINESS

New Members

Five (5) new member requests were presented for membership.

The Chair called for a motion of approval of the members. Mr. Smith moved approval; Mr. Long seconded; Motion carried.

HVA Final Report

Staff report they received valuable feedback and comments on the Region 3 Alliance HVA/JRA. The link to the final document is attached to the meeting packet and can be found on the Alliance website. The HCC is working closely with pre-hospital and hospital partners to identify regional gaps in pediatric surge and burn surge events.

The Chair called for a motion of approval of the final HVA Report. Ms. DeKay moved approval; Mr. Long seconded; Motion carried.

FDOH Site Visit

Florida Department of Health oversight did an on-site visit last week with HCC staff. The State spent two days reviewing the HCC documentation they requested prior to their visit. Staff report the visit went well, and the State is happy with the progress being made on this new contract.

National Healthcare Coalition Conference

At the end of November, HCC staff, as part of their contract requirements, attended the National Healthcare Coalition Conference in Anaheim, CA. The conference was well attended and there were many valuable learning opportunities. Staff met with the ASPR program leads and learned about the changes coming to the ASPR program/HPP capabilities.

Healthcare Coalition Task Force Meeting

Staff, as part of their contract requirements, attended the HCC Task Force meeting on January 24th in Orlando. The State Department of Health and other HCC leaders from across the state meet quarterly to discuss what is going on in individual regions and across the state. Included in this meeting was a presentation from Monroe County Emergency Management and their discussion on engaging long-term care facilities during an emergency for medically fragile patients/sheltering operations.

TRAINING AND EXERCISE

Spring and Summer Training Offerings

Staff is in the process of scheduling training offerings and locations for the upcoming Spring and Summer. A PPE training course provided through TEEX will be hosted in June, and flyers will be sent out once registration information is available.

FIDTN Exercise

The Florida Infectious Disease Transportation Network exercise is taking place in Jacksonville this upcoming February. This expands the region's capabilities and resilience to these threats, especially since the same statewide exercise was completed in Gainesville in early 2022.

MEMBER REPORTS AND OPEN DISCUSSION

Hospitals – Ms. DeKay reported that UF Health Shands continues to be full and busy. The hospital continues to face supply chain issues and staffing issues, but the facility has become used to the new normal.

Emergency Management – Preparing to attend FEPA in late January, GHC in May, and preparing for the next hurricane season.

Public Health – Mr. Moffses expressed his thanks to the Coalition for including Lake City in exercise and training locations. He reported that the Region 3 RERA, Sam MacDonell, will be retiring soon and that Howell Batts will be moving on at the end of May. Mr. Moffses reported that the mobile clinics they

were trying to obtain in their county fell through. To receive a mobile unit from the distributor, there is an 18-month waitlist which does not work with the state's procurement process. Additionally, Region 2 is trying to get an oxygen generator, they have been working with a vendor since July 1st and there still is no expected delivery date.

Ms. Vaughn reported there is a new Regional Special Needs Consultant.

EMS – Mr. Ferguson with Dixie County Fire Rescue reported continued supply chain and staffing (paramedics) issues. Due to a load of rescue calls and busyness within hospitals, there are long wait times when rescue workers have to stay with patients in the hospital before the hospital takes responsibility. DCFR uses its community paramedicine program to reduce the number of people requesting to go to the ED. DCFR has been working on a grant to get an oxygen generator, but due to the grant cycle/supply chain issues, the generator costs significantly more than the grant allotment.

Ms. Woods with Alachua County Fire Rescue reports they have implemented a tele-911 system, as of early January. The program is of no cost to the county, the company charges directly to the patient's insurance or sends the patient a bill if they do not have coverage. This program provides treatment to low-acuity patients and keeps them out of the ED. ACFR is working with hospital leadership to identify solutions to the wait times for EMS when taking patients to the ED.

Home Health – Noting to report.

Long-Term Care – Nothing to report.

CLOSING REMARKS AND ADJOURN

The Chair announced the next meeting will be a Board of Directors Meeting on February 22, 2023, at 1:30 via Zoom.

The meeting will be virtual only.

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.



Attendance Recorded in ReadyOp: General Membership Meeting – January 25, 2023

First Name	Last Name	Facility Name	Facility Type
Suzanne	DeKay	UF Health Gainesville	Acute Care Hospitals (Core HCC Member)
Rel	Perea	DOH – Suwanee	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Casey	Ditter	FDOH – Lafayette	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Jim	Lyons	FDOH – Bradford/Union	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Matt	Ferguson	Dixie County EMS	EMS (Including inter-facility and other non-EMS patient transport systems; (Core HCC Member systems))
Robert	Linnens	DOH – Alachua	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Freda	Vaughn	DOH Region 3	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Misty	Woods	Alachua County Fire Rescue	Local public safety agencies (e.g., law enforcement and fire)
Lola	Butler	FDOT – District 2	Emergency Management Organizations (Core HCC Member)
Ralph	Smith	Gilchrist County Fire Rescue	Emergency Management Organizations (Core HCC Member)
Shane	Ross	FDOH	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Chris	Westmoreland	DOH – Putnam	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Tom	Moffses	DOH – Columbia/Hamilton	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Jason	Long	Lafayette County Sheriff’s Office	Emergency Management Organizations (Core HCC Member)
Howell	Batts	FDOH	Public Health Agencies (Core HCC Member)
Ryan	Clemons	Gilchrist County Fire Rescue	Emergency Management Organizations (Core HCC Member)

John	Wilgis	Florida Hospital Association	Local chapters of health care professional organizations (e.g. medical society, professional society, hospital association)
Ebbin	Spellman	UF Health Gainesville	Acute Care Hospitals (Core HCC Member)

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