

**MMRS Meeting  
All Children's Hospital Education Center  
October 5, 2007**

**Minutes**

Members Present: Attendance sheet on file with Suzanne DeKay.

New Members/ Guests: Craig Brown, FSU; Matt Quance, Bayfront Medical; Dana Winslett, VA/NDMS

Motion to approve minutes from September meeting as written; seconded and approved.

**Reports:**

- Syndromic Surveillance Update: No update at this time.
- EMS/ FirstWatch:
  - Electronic PCR carried by units integrated with FirstWatch system.
  - Set up a committee to determine trigger points.
- Treasury Report:
  - Numbers adjusted from August – money moved from one grant year to another.
  - 2006 funding changes made and will be sent to Steve soon.

**Old Business:**

- UASI Grant:
  - Project idea information received from Bayfront, Morton Plant, and Helen Ellis.
  - Still waiting for \$500,000 out of 2005 UASI grant money.
  - Have secondary projects ready to go when funds become available.
  - Trying to get more votes for health at meetings.
- MMRS Funding:
  - 2007 grant information to be received soon.
  - National MMRS association being developed and Steve requested to be on the implementation committee.
- ICS:
  - NimsCast to verify compliance with training protocol.
  - New NIMS 5-year training plan available at <http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=2962>.
- Antibiotic Cache:
  - Options for type of antibiotics to purchase and where to store them was reviewed.

- Motion to support Option 1, which was for a purchase of 75% Doxycycline and 25% Ciprofloxacin for first responders in Pinellas County was made, seconded and approved.
- Steve LeCroy will request space at St. Pete Fire headquarters to store the cache.
- Suzanne DeKay will send vendor information to Steve.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Radiological:
  - ACH rad monitor is working properly.
  - Vendor has agreed to assist with wiring of relay for \$325 for each hospital. Cost of enunciator and strobe is \$175, which will be wired by hospital personnel.
  - Cost of \$500 per unit for upgrades. Motion to fund upgrades through MMRS for each hospital was made, seconded and approved.
  - Larry Green will send parts list to each hospital.
  - Gary Frank will send an email to the hospitals to see which hospitals want the upgrade.
  - Huge thanks to ACH for taking on this project and working out all the kinks before making the final product available to the rest of the community.

### **New Business:**

- VA Evacuation:
  - On 09/11/07 a bomb threat was called in to Bay Pines VA stating a bomb was "located in the building and will go off in 1 hour".
  - Proceeded to evacuate entire complex (27 buildings) – did not evacuate ICU. Entire evacuation took 1 hour and 15 minutes.
  - No complaints from visitors, staff or patients. Utilized water from hurricane supplies.
  - Tampa and Pinellas bomb dogs searched buildings.
  - Request to add hospital evacuation or bomb threat triggers for HENS notifications.

### **Open Forum:**

- Pan Flu Planning Workshop for hospitals is October 24<sup>th</sup> at the Hospice of the Florida Suncoast Facility on Roosevelt Blvd.
- Lana Bracewell is retiring from Largo Medical.
- Repeaters should be added to hospitals to improve radio signals.

**Next meeting will be November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30am in the ACH Education Center classroom.**