



Eastern Healthcare Preparedness Coalition

Meeting Agenda

19 November 2025

0930 - 1300

Dale Griffin, Chairman

Jennifer O'Neal, Co-Chair

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- INTRODUCTIONS / HOUSEKEEPING
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 - MINUTES APPROVAL
 - Motion- Jim McArthur
 - Second- Terry Sheehy
 - GRANT STATUS UPDATE
 - Summary of current grant situation
 - Explanation of the loss of funding and immediate implications
 - Overview of transition planning and next steps
 - NC still has not received federal funding, awaiting federal response to correct NOA errors. Budget planning has begun and will be shared once finalized from the state. Coalitions will be operating on approximately half the previous year's funding.
 - COALITION IMPACT DISCUSSION
 - Discussion of how the funding change affects:
 - Coalition operations and staffing discussed new roles for EHPC staff
 - State Medical Assistance Team (SMAT) support activities ongoing and responses will be conducted similarly to previous years.
 - Planned trainings, exercises, and conferences may be reduced while not receiving federal funds
 - Ongoing commitments (e.g., air show participation) air show participation has been approved by ECU Health. Information re sign ups will be sent out early 2026.
 - Prioritization of activities for the coming year determining if federal funds will be available and tweaking processes as needed
 - Open Q&A
 - PATH FORWARD & STRATEGIC ADJUSTMENTS
 - Short-term focus areas

- Maintaining engagement across partners **will be a focus for steering and exec committee to maintain engagement despite decrease in tangible assets purchased for facilities and EMS agencies**
- NOMINATIONS
 - EHPC Chair – Dale Griffin
 - EHPC CoChair – Jennifer O’Neal
 - EHPC Exec Chair – Jim McArthur
 - EHPC Exec Co-Chair – Terry Sheehy
- REGIONAL HVA – **NO CHANGES REQUESTED**
- REGIONAL UPDATES

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ REGIONAL SMAT III UPDATE MSUS HAVE BEEN USED BY SEVERAL IN RECENT MONTHS ▪ PHPR ERO PLANNING FOR SYMPOSIUM IN SPRING 2026 ▪ HOSPITAL EPI FLU NUMBERS INCREASING, FACILITIES AND AGENCIES SHOULD BEGIN PREPARING FOR VISITORS AND PATIENTS W/ FLU. STATE ISSUING GUIDELINES FOR MASKS FOR A FULL 7 DAYS FROM START OF SYMPTOMS ▪ ECUHMC TRAUMA MCI AND PEDIATRIC SIMULATIONS AVAILABLE FOR HOSPITALS AND EMS AGENCIES. TRAUMA SURVIVOR WALK. TRAUMA SYMPOSIUM REVIEW. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EASTCARE NA ▪ OEMS UPDATE UPDATED ON PROCEDURE CHANGES AND CONTINUED BUDGET/GRANT UPDATES ▪ REGIONAL RESPONSE TEAM FUNDING HAS NOT BEEN IMPACTED AS THEIR FUNDING COMES FROM TIER 2 FUNDING ▪ 42ND CST NA ▪ DPR UPDATE DPR 2 PROJECTS SUBMITTED ▪ NCHEMC UPDATE RECENT MTG FOCUS HAS BEEN ON FUNDING FOR COALITIONS ▪ EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT NA
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○ 2026 – MEETING DATES

FEB 12, MAY 12, AUGUST 18, AND NOV 10 AT MONROE