



## **Mile-High Regional Emergency Medical and Trauma Advisory Council Third Quarter Report January 1, 2007 to March 31, 2007**

### Current Goals and Objectives:

1. Create a solid identity for the MHRETAC
2. Integrate with other organizations to assist the medical community in preparation for an all-hazards event
3. Develop a quality improvement process for the MHRETAC
4. Serve as active members of the Trauma Care Preservation Coalition
5. Administer the C-DOT injury prevention grant
6. Participate in the Multi-County Ambulance Licensing Committee as Members
7. Conduct 800 MHz survey
8. Develop Regional EMS Council with regional partners
9. Develop Regional Hospital Council with regional partners

### Additional Tasks:

- Chair Radiation Detector Planning Committee
- Write Recruitment and Retention Grant
- Apply for 501c3 status

**Partners are listed at the end**

Goal	EMTS System Component	Description of Accomplishment(s)
<b>Goal 1</b> <b>Create a solid identity for the MHRETAC</b>	1- Integration of Health Services 3- Legislation and Regulation 4- System Finance 5- Human Resources 12- Public Education	<p>-Coordinator and Council represent the MHRETAC at meetings -SEMTAC, SEMTAC Committees, UASI, NCR, MMRS, State All-Hazard meetings, Trauma Care Preservation Coalition and MHRETAC Committees, EMS Councils, Trauma related meetings, conferences, events and community meetings.</p> <p>-All contract deliverables were submitted per contract;            Budgets for current contract year            Biennial Plan with Priority Goals            Quarterly Progress Reports            Financial Report for Prior Contract Year            Regional Funding Overview for Prior Contract Year</p> <p>-Council approved deliverables requiring approval.</p> <p>-Council attendance was tracked and reported on a regular basis-good attendance by Council Members.</p> <p>-New Council Members; Dave Baldwin and Heather McDermott both for Adams County.</p> <p>-The new and improved website is now live with a yahoo calendar of events.</p> <p>-A bookkeeper has been hired to assist with the position of Treasurer for the Council.</p>
<b>Goal 2</b> <b>Integrate with other organizations to assist the medical community in preparation for</b>	1- Integration of Health Services 3- Legislation and Regulation 4- System Finance 8- Communication Systems 10- Clinical Care	<p>-Coordinator serves as a member of the NCR and UASI Grants Committee.</p> <p>-Coordinator and various Council Members attend the committees and sub committees of NCR, UASI, MMRS, and NDMS.</p> <p>-Coordinator continues to serve as Chair of the UASI Medical Community Strategic Planning Committee, a member of the UASI Board and an alternate for Dr. Mains on the NCR Board.</p> <p>-Coordinator serves on the Steering Committee with UASI to develop the goals and objectives for the coming year and current grant cycle.</p>

<p><b>an all-hazards event</b></p>	<p>11-Mass Casualty 12- Public Education 14- Information Systems</p>	<p>- All medically related disaster preparedness meetings began to meet on 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays in January- this includes Regional EMS Council, Regional Hospital Council, Medical Community Strategic Planning Committee, and NCR Public Health.</p> <p>-These meetings are held at CDPHE, EOC room which enables more support and greater participation by CDPHE</p> <p>- The Medical Community reviewed all the grant requests prior to submitting them to NCR and UASI.</p> <p>-6 medical grants were reviewed and submitted; Backfill for training of hospital staff, radiation detectors for ambulance bay areas, all-in-one's for each ER, inventory tracking system, patient tracking system and EMS caches and storage.</p> <p>-The committees are establishing goals and objectives with timelines.</p> <p>-The committee voted to call all caches by two names: Medical Disposable Caches and Medical Durable Caches</p> <p>-Exploring a centralized location for all caches.</p>
<p><b>Goal 3 Develop a quality improvement process for MHRETAC</b></p>	<p>1- Integration of Health Services 2- EMTS Research 3- Legislation and Regulation 9- Medical Direction 10- Clinical Care 15- Evaluation</p>	<p>-As per contract, CDM produced several reports utilizing the over 20,000 patients in the MHRETAC data. An overview report, triage appropriateness and a hypotension and intubation study served to be important topics.</p> <p>-Trauma Coordinators have been meeting monthly to review the data with CDM prior to the reports and will work to assure that all hospitals are collecting data using the identical interpretation of data to assure data validity.</p> <p>-Some additional triage codes were added to enhance the MHRETAC data.</p> <p>-Dr. Holly Hedegaard from CDPHE has attended several of these data meetings.</p> <p>-CQI Trip Reports- MHRETAC will participate with other RETACs but will be added two additional data points- 1. Was trip report left with the patient at time of admission to the hospital? 2. Was the trip report left within 24 hours? 3. Was the trip report left prior to discharge?</p>

<b>Goal 4</b> <b>Serve as active members of the Trauma Care Preservation Coalition</b>	1- Integration of Health Services 3- Legislation and Regulation 4- System Finance 15- Evaluation	-The first meeting for this legislative session was January 3, 2007 with regularly scheduled meetings over the past few months. -The group revised the current guiding principles. -Three committees were established- legislative, outreach and data. -Representatives may submit a late bill status which includes medpay in the amount of \$50,000 as a total benefit. -Surveys were sent to all EMS and hospitals to collect the same type of data that was collected in 2005.
<b>Goal 5</b> <b>Administer the C-DOT Injury Prevention Grant</b>	1-Integration of Services 2- EMTS Research 5- Human Resources 12- Public Education 13- Prevention 15- Evaluation	-Weekly updates are provided to the team. -Grant funds have been spent keeping well within budget. -The school campaigns have enthusiastically started at all 6 schools. -MHRETAC approved writing another 3 year grant.
<b>Goal 6</b> <b>Participate in the Multi-County Ambulance Licensing Committee as Members</b>	1- Integration of Services 3- Legislation and Regulation 4- System Finance 9- Medical Direction 10- Clinical Care	-MHRETAC developed a grant application, review process with follow-up steps. -Each agency can submit grant requests for ambulance inspections. -The review committee will meet monthly and submit to the MHRETAC for final approval. -Total amount in budget for this grant is \$15,000 for this year.
<b>Goal 7</b> <b>Conduct an 800MHZ Survey</b>	1-Integration of Services 4-System Finance 8- Communication Systems 10- Clinical Care 11- Mass Casualty 12- Public Education	-Responses have been sent to CDPHE and HRSA for continuation and follow-up -The survey indicated that most of the hospitals have 800MHz radios available to them. -This goal is completed.

	14- Information Systems	
<b>Goal 8 Establish a Regional EMS Council</b>	1-Integration of Services 4-System Finance 8- Communication Systems 9- Medical Direction 10- Clinical Care 11- Mass Casualty 12- Public Education 14- Information Systems 15- Evaluation	-The Regional EMS Council continues to work on four projects with project leaders; EMS Caches- will be inventoried with the new grant PPE Survey- on hold at present Trip Reports- see goal #3 Regional Mutual Aid Agreements- in progress and will be written by the entire group. -Council meets monthly on the fourth Thursday with the other medically related disaster preparedness meetings. -Committee has been working on the goals and objectives.
<b>Goal 9 Establish a Regional Hospital Council</b>	1-Integration of Services 4-System Finance 8- Communication Systems 9- Medical Direction 10- Clinical Care 11- Mass Casualty 12- Public Education 14- Information Systems 15- Evaluation	-The Regional Hospital Council will meet on the fourth Thursdays with the other medically related disaster preparedness meetings. -The committee will focus on evacuation planning and medical surge issues. -ACEP survey results have not been returned. -Hospital Decon Training is planned for 9 area hospitals with the others being scheduled after the train the trainer's course is held. -BNICE will add this course to their curriculum. -Committee is writing goals and objectives with timelines.
<b>Additional Tasks: Chair the Radiation</b>	1-Integration of Services 4-System Finance 8- Communication	-Radiation Detector Planning Committee is in the final stages of developing the agreement and guidelines for the hospitals who will be receiving the radiation detectors for their hospitals. .

<b>Detector Planning Committee</b>	Systems 9- Medical Direction 10- Clinical Care 11- Mass Casualty 12- Public Education 14- Information Systems 15- Evaluation	-Committee plans to develop a training seminar for hospitals receiving the radiation detectors. -Committee reviewed the grant for radiation detectors for ambulance bay areas for local hospitals.
<b>Additional Tasks: Write a Recruitment and Retention Grant</b>	1-Integration of Services 4-System Finance 8- Communication Systems 9- Medical Direction 10- Clinical Care 11- Mass Casualty 12- Public Education 14- Information Systems 15- Evaluation	-A survey was developed and will be sent to all agencies in the MHRETAC with a poor response. -MHRETAC voted to not pursue this grant any further.
<b>Additional Tasks: Apply for 501c3 Status</b>	1- Integration of Health Services 3- Legislation and Regulation 4- System Finance 12-Public Education	-MHRETAC voted to apply for 501c3 status in addition to the Government 115 status. -Coordinator will work with the attorney to complete the application.

**Partners**

- All members of the MHRETAC and Coordinator
- Members of CDPHE, HRSA, MMRS, UASI, NCR, NDMS

- UASI Public Health and Medical Committee Members, Participating Facilities, hospitals, EMS agencies, public health agencies, environmental health agencies
- Denver Sheriff Credentialing Department, Medical Personnel, Physicians, Nurses
- Attorneys from hospitals and related agencies
- Medical Directors, Medical Staff Officers, Trauma Nurse Coordinators, Quality Improvements Departments Trauma Registries, Trauma Care Preservation Coalition Members and Staff
- MHRETAC Stakeholders, CDM, MHRETAC Web Site Design Team
- Level I hospital Injury Prevention Coordinators, C-DOT Staff, MHRETAC C-DOT Advisory Board
- Ambulance Licensing Committee members and county representatives
- Emergency Managers, Fire, EMS Agencies, Mental Health, Animal Health, Community Health Partners
- Radiation Safety Officers, Medical Physicists, CDPHE Radiation Department, Ludlum, representatives
- Attorney for the 501c3 status and IRS