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**State of Florida
EMS Advisory Council
January 23, 2008 @ 9:00 AM
Disaster Response Guidelines Committee
Division of Emergency Medical Operations
Office of Emergency Operations & Public Health Preparedness
Minutes**

- I. At 9 a.m., Dr Elias welcomed all in attendance and invited to them to acknowledge their presence by completing the sign in sheet. At that point, Dr. Elias briefly reviewed the agenda for the meeting.
- II. Dr Elias called for and received approval of Minutes for the October 10, 2007 meeting as well as for the December 4, 2007 conference call.
- III. Bob Howard, state of Florida Division of Emergency Management, made a presentation of the work of the Air Operations Committee.
- IV. Terry Schenk introduced Mr. Bob Waddell who made a presentation on the Sacco Triage method. Dr. Elias noted that the committee may seek to study the two options, SACCO and START more closely.
- V. Corky Young made a very informative presentation on the Lake-Sumter EMS response to the Ground Hog Day Tornados. Bob Howard thanked Mr. Young and Lake-Sumter EMS for their quick actions taken that morning.
- VI. Chief's Kingman Schuldt and T.J.Lyon provided a SERP Update/Status of EMS Liaisons. They noted that the SERP is currently under revision and that re-alignment of the FFCA Regions to match that of the RDSTF Regions was being considered. Also mentioned was that the SERP is still finalizing the EMS Liaison positions. There is a gap remaining on the fire side for Region II. Once the liaisons are identified, training is being planned to build operational capability and relationships between the SERP Regional Coordinators, EMS Liaisons and the providers. Both Chief Lyon and Chief Schuldt commented on the improved operational effectiveness between State ESF 8 and ESF 4 & 9 at the State Emergency Operations Center.
- VII. Bobby Bailey provided an update on the status of the CyanoKit Distribution. The process is still in the vendor selection stage. Dave Crowe noted that the hospitals need to be made aware of the pending distribution. Mr. Bailey committed to working with Kris-Tena Albers, DOH Office of Public Health Preparedness on this issue.
- VIII. MCI Trailer Committee Report – Tim Devin
- IX. Bobby Bailey provided a report on the status of the Strike Team Leader Training. Course deliverable development is currently underway.



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- X. Julie Bacon provided an update on the EMS Strategic Plan.
- XI. Chief Julie Downey addressed the committee concerning the recent triage recall. She reminded those in attendance to take off the defective tags and replace them with the tags the vendor sent as replacements. Her department plans to use the defective tags for training. Chief Downey also noted that a new version of the triage tag has a wrist band component on it. The Florida version of this tag is not yet ready but she will advise the committee when they are. Dave Freeman asked if DOH is going to consolidate all triage options. Mr. Bailey noted that he is not aware of such an initiative but that Terry Schenk was completing a study on the triage issue for the Office of Public Health preparedness.
- XII. There being not further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:35.