



Coalition in Action

Spring TECC Course and MERI Cadaver Lab

SCRHCC sponsored a NAEMT's Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) Course and MERI Cadaver lab on May 20th and May 21st.

The 2nd edition of NAEMT's Tactical Emergency Casualty Care (TECC) course teaches EMS practitioners and other prehospital providers how to respond to and care for patients in a civilian tactical environment.

The 16-hour classroom course covers the following topics:

- Hemorrhage control including immediate action drills for tourniquet application throughout the course;
- Complete coverage of the MARCH assessment;
- Surgical airway control and needle decompression;
- Strategies for treating wounded responders in threatening environments;
- Caring for pediatric patients;
- Techniques for dragging and carrying victims to safety; and
- A final, mass-casualty/active shooter event simulation.

The MERI Cadaver lab provided the practitioners with a unique opportunity to practice advanced, life-saving skills on human tissue. Dana McDonald Flight Paramedic with Vanderbilt LifeFlight was the instructor. She states "Being able to provide cadaver lab experiences as an educational opportunity is one of the many things I feel makes our coalition stand out. Over the course of two days, we were able to offer hands on tissue training to students ranging from EMR, EMT, Paramedics, and Nurses. We were also privileged to host a group of students that recently graduated from high school as EMR's! We were able to offer customized trauma training specific to the needs to a TECC course and provide health care providers the chance to practice: Airway Techniques, IO access, Chest Tube, Surgical Airway, Burn and Trauma Care. Students were also presented with a gross anatomy demonstration. Most providers do not get a chance to practice these procedures on anything but manikins or trainers so being able to have hands-on tissue training helps bolster provider preparedness throughout the region."



Upcoming Training

**First Responder Resiliency
TeleECHO Program every Monday
3:00-4:00pm**



**Regional Hospital Call
June 16th 2:00pm**

**HCC Meeting
Vanderbilt Tullahoma-Harton
1801 N Jackson St Tullahoma, TN
June 22nd beginning at 11:00am**

**Chemical and Radiological Agents
of Opportunity for Terrorism
July 7-8, 2022
Free Virtual Course**



These trainings can be found
on SCRHC Website
<https://www.scrhccoalition.org/>
Please email christina.gerstein@tn.gov
with questions or for meeting invites.

New SCRHCC Board Members were elected at the March 23rd meeting. These officers will begin serving in their roles July 1st.

**Dana McDonald, BS, CCPM, NRP, FP-C,
CCP-C, CP-C, I/C
Chairperson**



Dana has been licensed as a paramedic since 2005, a critical care paramedic since 2008, and active in the air medical community since 2008. She has experience working in both the hospital and pre-hospital environment, experience in outreach education, and experience in both working on and coordinating multi-agency, multi-disciplinary teams. Dana serves as the Secretary for the South Central EMS Director's Association. The majority of Dana's EMS career has been right here in the South Central Region. She lives in Columbia and is based at the Vanderbilt LifeFlight base in Tullahoma. Dana received her BS in Health Care Administration/ EMS Management in 2020 and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Public Health.

**Chase Patrick
Secretary**



Chase been in the maintenance field for Assisted Living and SNF for over 12 years. He currently is the Maintenance Director for Magnolia Healthcare & Rehab in Columbia. Chase has experience working in a disaster situation when working as the Maintenance Director of a large LTCF in Daytona FL.

He experienced first hand the importance of following the facility EOP when his buildings sustained damage from a Category 4 Hurricane. Chase stated "We used it to the letter and kept our residents and co-workers safe. The building did take damage on the 3rd and 2nd floor. I'm very proud we had no injuries and we kept things running, even giving the residents a hot meal every day. It brings me nothing but joy working with elderly."

**Josh Young AEMT TN-CEMP
Vice Chairperson**



Josh is the Deputy Director of Emergency Management in Giles County. He began his career in emergency services at the age of 16 by joining Giles County Fire and Rescue. After graduating Highschool, he attended EMT school at CSCC. He spent 9 years working as an Advanced EMT for Giles and Marshall County EMS before taking his current position. He has received his TN-Certified Emergency Management Professional certification as well as certificate in FEMA Basic Emergency Management Academy. Josh serves as an instructor for TN Fire Academy, TEMA, Giles County OEM, and Giles Fire and Rescue. He is an instructor in the following areas: Fire 1, hazmat operations, ICS, MERRTT skills, and Basic Life Support.

**Pat Woodmansee
Treasurer**



Pat has over 20 years of experience in emergency response to disasters at all levels. She started her career in Emergency Management in 1995 with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Denton, Texas. She worked in several areas of this agency during many federally declared disasters. After moving to Tennessee in 2005, Pat began working with Maury County Office of Emergency Management as a volunteer for 3 years and came on full time in 2007. She currently serves as Assistant Director of Maury OEM, is a TEMA Training Instructor, and is EMAC trained. Pat has also completed FEMA'S Emergency Management Institute's Professional Development Series: Standard of Excellence for Emergency Management.

Coalition Asset Highlight

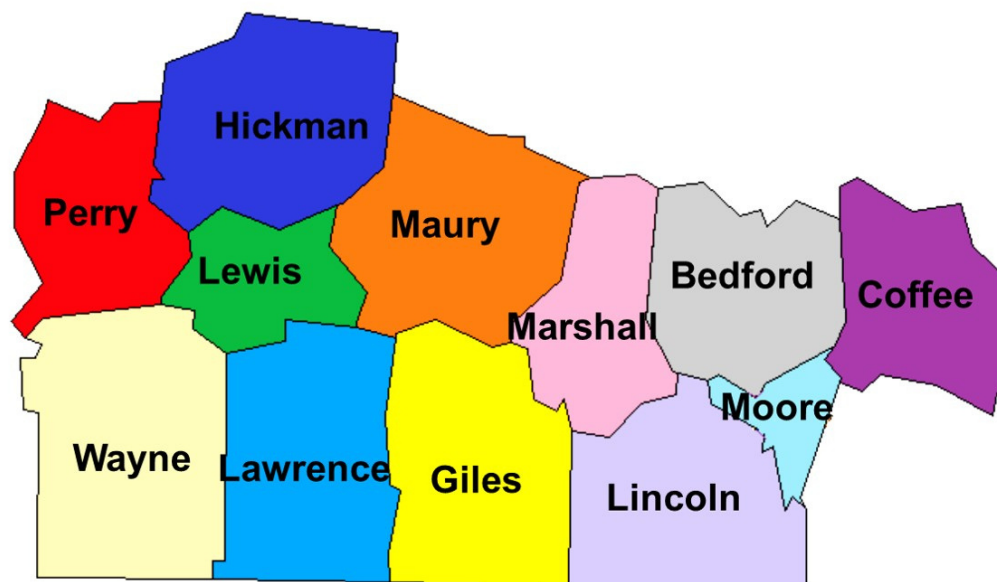


SCRHCC recently purchased a Sunbelt Inflatable Tent Shelter that can be used for various missions across the region or state. This portable tent system can be rapidly put into service by two people with limited experience. This type of system is modular in design thereby scalable to meet the needs of the mission presented. This tent comes completely self-sufficient with its own HVAC, lights, and inflation pumps. This asset is housed at Maury OEM and was recently used for the MERI Cadaver lab sponsored by SCRHCC.

Coalition Partner Highlight



The Disaster Mental Health Strike Team training was held at the Tennessee Fire Service and Codes Enforcement Training Academy. This was a 40-hour course to train members to provide Mental Health First Aid, Crisis Intervention, and initial mental health triage for citizens and emergency responders following major disasters. Participants were also trained how to provide initial referrals to Licensed Mental Health Care Professionals including immediate emergency referrals when appropriate. The Strike Team training consists of certifications from International Critical Incident Stress Foundations Individual and Group Crisis Interventions and Mental Health First Aid certified by National Council for Behavioral Health. Pat Woodmansee Assistant Director Maury OEM completed the training.



Board Members

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Mission Statement:

The South Central Region Healthcare Coalition (SCRHCC) is a multi-agency coordinating group that primarily assists the hospital/healthcare community and other emergency response agencies to jointly prepare for, respond to, and recover from disaster events. The SCRHCC supports collaborative planning and information sharing among a broad range of hospital/healthcare partners and emergency response agencies in order to protect, promote, and improve the health and well-being of people in Tennessee

Grant Requirements

VOLUME 7

Yearly by June 30th

- **Update Coalition HVA**
- **Updated Membership List**
Member Type, legal name, and address
- **Update Coalition Response Plan**
- **Specialty Surge Annex Requirements**
FY 21-22 Burn Surge Annex (Draft due April 1, 2022 and Final due June 30, 2022) and Tabletop exercise.
- **Review the latest guidance for Ethical Allocation of Scarce Resources**
- **Regional Medical Response and Surge Exercise (MRSE)**
Surge 20% of staffed hospital beds
- **Identify equipment purchased with HPP dollars**
- **Impact Story**
One-pager impact story of the coalition's contribution to an initiative or response during an emergency to demonstrate return on investments.
- **Members complete and submit AAR/IP for incidents, events, and exercises**

Twice a Year

- **Review HHS emPOWER Data**
Public health authorities and their partners in TN use HHS emPOWER Program data and tools to strengthen emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation. <https://empowerprogram.hhs.gov/>
During the Gatlinburg wildfire, the Tennessee Department of Health used the emPOWER Emergency Response Outreach Individual dataset to rapidly identify at-risk individuals that may be in danger and partnered with the National Guard to conduct life-saving outreach to over 70 oxygen dependent at-risk individuals, one of which was evacuated to receive medical care.
- **Identify deployable equipment and resources intended to be shared in an emergency**
Due August 31st

Quarterly

- **Redundant Communication Drills**
Telephone, Internet, radio, cellular, satellite, other

Resources

<https://www.scrhccoalition.org/>

https://hrts.tn.gov/CEDS_HRTS/Account/Login

TOSHA Issues Emergency Temporary Rule for COVID-19 in Healthcare (tn.gov)

<https://www.phe.gov/preparedness/pages/default.aspx>

<https://www.fema.gov/>

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/SurveyCertEmergPrep/Emergency-Prep-Rule>

<https://www.hhs.gov/>

<https://www.tn.gov/tema.html>

<https://www.tn.gov/health.htm>

<https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/cedep-emergency-preparedness.html>

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SCR HCC Top 10
Hazards and
Vulnerabilities

HHS emPOWER
Data- April

Ethical
Allocation
of Scarce
Resources

Acronyms
frequently
used by the
SCRHCC