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Air Medical Committee

July 18th, 2024: 11:00am to 12:00pm Chair: Greg Jones, Med-Flight I Vice Chair: Jay Lovelady-HCA ACE

Members and guests present: Greg Jones, Dempsey Whitt, Cody Main, Vincent Mancano, Jessica Goodman

Conference Line: Craig Bride, Lisa Baber

ODEMSA Staff: Tarsha Robinson **Minutes scribed by:** Tarsha Robinson

Materials provided: Meeting agenda, previous meeting minutes

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Greg Jones called the meeting to order. Introductions were made, and it was determined we did not have a quorum. The meeting continued as a workgroup for its duration.	Motion by: Seconded by: Vote: Meeting minutes and agenda approved
Reports:		
<u>Hospitals</u>		
VCU Health	As a reminder, if lifting from Chippenham to VCU, please call Comm as soon as or before lifting off due to short transport time; helipad has been resurfaced but may be resurfaced again; Dempsey will keep the Committee posted	
HCA	Heading for Stroke Comprehensive verification and will share doctors from JW for both North and South of the river	
Bon Secours	EMS Expo has been scheduled for 3 days (Feb 28-March 2, 2025); hosting annual Village Bank First Responders Dinner on Sept 24 th at Mt. Pisgah church; is checking on and will continue to update committee on repainting/repair of the helipad which was	



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	damaged due to water seeping under an expansion crack; Al also advised that education and re-education has been done with security regarding operation of the arm at their helipad; secondary landing area has been completed and has been used; yellow parking spaces will be blacked out in front of pad for "no parking" to minimize property	
	damage; Dempsey volunteered to use remaining reflective paint he had to make sure	
EMS Agencies	the pad lit up; Craig will discuss options with their Chief of Security	
Charles City	No report; thank you to air medical for their support to their agency	
New Kent	No report	
MedFlight	Has been flying the 407 so no issues landing in Farmville (412 in TN for maintenance) but trees have not been trimmed; encouraged Committee to work and stick together when advising community that the landing zone is a safety factor because of the canopy effect from trees not being trimmed	
LifeEvac	Monitoring heat and keeping providers cool; several education and community events; have purchased cooling vests and electrolyte packets for providers after incident involving crew being overcome by heat from doing 17 minutes of CPR in the aircraft	
<u>ODEMSA</u>	Advised that Ryan is currently working on the 2024 EMS Governor's Awards; congratulations to Bev Harris for her 2023 win; working on drug box transition plan with agencies; will work with air medical to advise which agencies may transition to BLS only which may increase their call volume	
Old Business:		
State Medevac Report	Integration of cell phone system and trimming of trees in Farmville;	



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New Business:		
Business from the floor	There was concern about the inability of the team to meet localities' service demands due to being busy or unavailable, and wants agencies to document all turn-down requests to assess the frequency of localities not receiving service and to determine if additional resources are needed; Hanover EC has been training their staff on when to call for a helicopter and have had ACE and LifeEvac out to land and educate providers	
Next Meeting	October 10th, 2024	
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned 11:36 am.	