

10-13-26 R5 Trauma Advisory Board Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Welcome: Dr. Pappas welcomed all. Nine of the nine voting members were present for a quorum.

Roll Call:

Trauma Chair – Orlando Regional/Orlando Health, Jeana Swain, Eric Alberts

Trauma Co-Chair – Halifax/Halifax Health: Rachael Hamlett, Miranda Meeks

Level II Rep – Lake Monroe Hospital/HCA: Sanjiv Gray MD, FACS

EMS Chair – Martin County (South): Christian Montoya

EMS Co-Chair – Brevard (North): John McPherson, Dr. Bobby Ford

EMS Central Rep – Orange (Central): Dr. Desmond Fitzpatrick, Amanda Freeman, Orange Co.

Office of the Medical Director

County DOH – St. Lucie County: Clint Sperber

Acute Care Hospital – Nemours: Adela Casas-Melley, Kari Rubles

Extended Care: Fanley Romelus

Other Trauma Stakeholders:

Dr. Brent Kaziny, G7

Dr Alicia Buck, Lake County EMS

Angelica Sugrim, AdventHealth Waterman

Dr. Ayanna Walker, Osceola EMS

Beth Boatwright, FDOH

Chris Dorans, Region 5 DOH

David Rubay, MD HCA Lawnwood

Deborah Collinge, DOH-Orange

Diane Hilliard, CFDMC

G. Miller, Kissimmee Fire Department

Heather Ouellette, Holmes Regional Medical Center

Jenn Hulse - Cleveland Clinic Indian River

Jess Henwood, Health First

Jessica Daly

Karissa Perry, DOH Volusia

Kathleen Lyons, Brevard FDOH

Kelley Jenkins, HCA Florida Lawnwood

Kesha Cummings

Lina Chico, Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children

Lynda W.G. Mason

Lynne Drawdy, CFDMC

Marben Aquino, DOH-Seminole

Marie Kasbaum, G7

Meghan Thomas

Michael Tayler, Hillsborough TAC

Michelle Rud, HCA Florida Osceola Hospital

Michelle Strenth, Orlando Health

Nicole Manley, HCA Florida Osceola

Peter A Pappas MD FACS

Dr. Peter Antevy

Dr. Scott Zenoni, Health First

Shauna Young, FDOH-Martin

Shawn Treloar, HCA Lake Monroe Trauma

Sheryl Aldarondo, Orlando Health ORMC
Sonny Weishaupt, Arnold Palmer Hospital
Steven Lerner, Seminole County Emergency Management
Susi Mitchell, HCA Florida Lawnwood
Suzanne Curran, G7

Call to Order: Jeana Swain called the meeting to order at 8:02 am.

Review and Approval of Minutes: Rachael Hamlett moved to approve the minutes as submitted; Dr. Rubay seconded the motion. There was no discussion or opposition and the minutes were approved.

Executive Director Update: Dr. Pappas stated this is an exciting time for us as we all continue to develop EMS field transfusion protocols and then figure out how to better integrate our trauma centers with our EMS agencies in terms of developing those in a way that's both safe and effective for our patients, and also for our trauma teams and EMS crews in the field. He welcomed the G7 partners who will be the spotlight presentation today.

Field Transfusion Update: Dr. Pappas welcomed Dr. Peter Antevy, EMS Medical Director from Palm Beach County. Dr. Peter Antevy presented on EMS transfusion initiatives for field care (Dr. Antevy agreed to share the presentation). His presentation included the need for whole blood in the field based on data, the Florida training initiative (SPARC) which provides free training and equipment, an overview of these programs in Florida, and next steps in moving this forward. Dr. Antevy stated that he just heard that Volusia County is implementing this. Dr. Antevy stated that freeze-dried plasma has been available for a long time but was cumbersome; now it is available in a shelf-stable soft package. This and spray-dried plasma will not be available to healthcare for another two to three years. Once available, the goal is to have this on every unit, funded by either the US government or the state. He stated that we need to prepare now to work out logistics, collaboration and data collection. Dr. Pappas thanked Dr. Antevy for his presentation and stated that he is looking forward to his presentation at the Florida Committee on Trauma.

CFDMC/RDSTF Updates:

Extended Care Committee: Lynne advised that a decision was made to disband the extended care committee but keep a post-acute care representative on the Executive Committee.

G7 Update: Lynne thanked the G7 team for a great exercise. In preparing for and as a follow-up to the exercise, the Coalition added a pediatric evacuation cache to the adult evacuation cache in Orlando. We heard during the exercise concerns over the new pediatric readiness requirements and hosted a webinar with Florida Hospital Association to go over the new requirements.

SPOTLIGHT TALK – The G7: Dr. Brent Kazny, G7 Principal Investigator. Dr. Kazny, Gulf 7 Pediatric Disaster Network, provided an overview of the G7 and their initiatives, including plan templates, trainings, and exercises (see attached presentation). Marie Kasbaum, G7 Operations Director, provided an overview of the G7 exercise program. Suzanne Curran is with the Southeast Texas Regional Advisory Council, a trauma nurse by background, and assists G7 with exercises. She provided an overview of the exercise in Orlando, which included the three children's hospitals, EMS and CFDMC. The exercise focused on pediatric surge in the ED. Each hospital had a poster-sized map of their ED and were provided with staff, and the number of patients already present on an average day. They then received surge patients, to identify bottlenecks and gaps. Marie stated that

the exercise was a success and they were impressed with how well the three hospitals worked together, which is not the case across the nation. Marie asked Lynne what the group felt were the major takeaways. Lynne stated that the two big gaps we heard during the exercise are patient tracking and family reunification, which are gaps previously identified that we are working to address. She stated that she also heard each of the hospitals identify process improvements and asked if any would like to share those. Sonny Weishaupt from Arnold Palmer stated that the exercise went really well and they were able to identify a few little gaps. They followed up with a scenario on patient reunification a few weeks afterwards, and that definitely paid off. Kari Rubles from Nemours stated that one of their takeaways was that they felt they could have absorbed additional patients than what was simulated in the exercise. Lynne thanked the G7 group for allowing all three children's hospitals to play in the exercise and stated that she looked forward to additional collaborations. Marie stated that the G7 is happy to provide additional assistance and resources and asked for any input on resources that need to be developed. Eric Alberts asked about the after action report. Suzanne stated that they have just completed a series of back to back exercises and will get this done in the near future and Eric thanked her.

Committee Updates:

System Support Committee: Sheryl Aldarondo reported on the System Support Committee meeting this morning. ORMC continues to provide Stop the Bleed training, falls prevention events, burn prevention trainings, pedestrian safety with Best Foot Forward, and are working on trainings for e-bike and e-scooter safety. She reported that Lynne is working to obtain the SHSGP funding for the statewide Stop the Bleed training for the faith-based community; we have heard this should be coming soon and will begin with the smaller regions and then the larger regions like ours. She reported that Arnold Palmer Hospital received a grant for the car seat program and provided 40 e-bike helmets to high school students and ice cream vouchers to students wearing helmets. APS is providing age appropriate top five mechanism of injury to pediatrician offices so they can attach this to their after visit summaries. She reported that HCA Florida Osceola and Lake Monroe both have fairly new injury prevention coordinators who have hit the ground running, with lots of e-bike safety activities and lots of community events and fairs. Lake Monroe is providing Stop the Bleed training with nursing students and fire departments, and are working on falls prevention classes, and doing helmet fittings. She advised that Holmes Region is also providing Stop the Bleed classes, are providing safety lights to runners in the Be Seen, Be Safe campaign, did a recent helmet fitting event and are working on their falls prevention campaign.

Clinical Leadership Committee: Lynne reported that the Clinical Leadership Committee meeting included similar presentations today on the G7 exercise, blood in the field, and teen takeovers.

New Business

Social Media Organized Mass Gatherings: Eric Alberts reported on teen takeovers happening across the nation and in Florida (see attached presentation). These are viral social media posts which can quickly assemble large groups of teens and young adults in public spaces, often causing disruptions, damage and violence. Dr. Pappas thanked Eric for sharing this emerging threat. Dr. Pappas stated that these events are unpredictable and asked how we plan for these, in keeping our EMS and hospital personnel safe. He asked if we need to include this in regional planning, build better communication with law enforcement, and ways to monitor social media. Eric agreed these are needed.

Next Executive Committee Meeting: Lynne advised that the next executive committee meeting is a week early, on December 1st, as the CFDMC annual conference is December 8th (pre-conference trainings and exercise) and 9th (the main conference). Attendance is free and the conference highlights and registration link are at <https://www.centralfladisaster.org/upcoming-events>

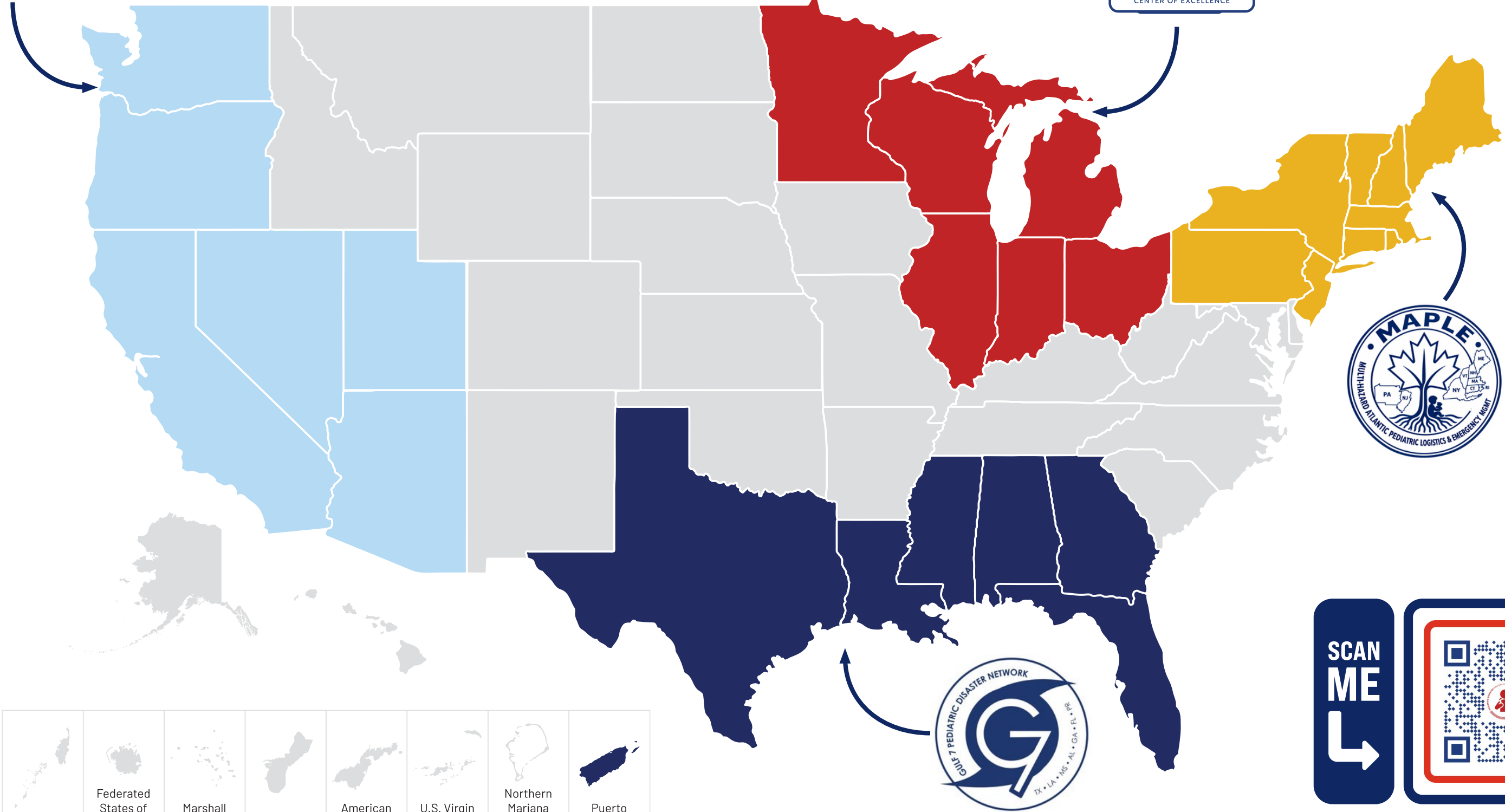
Adjourn: Eric Alberts moved to adjourn; Dr. Rubay seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 12:06 pm.



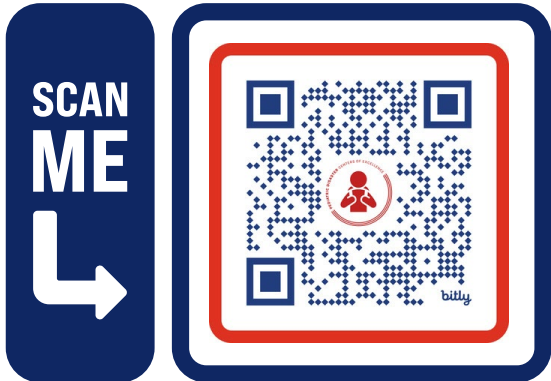
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Children under 18 in the U.S. (U.S. Census Bureau, 2020)

<50%

Of hospitals have a pediatric-specific disaster plan

25-30%

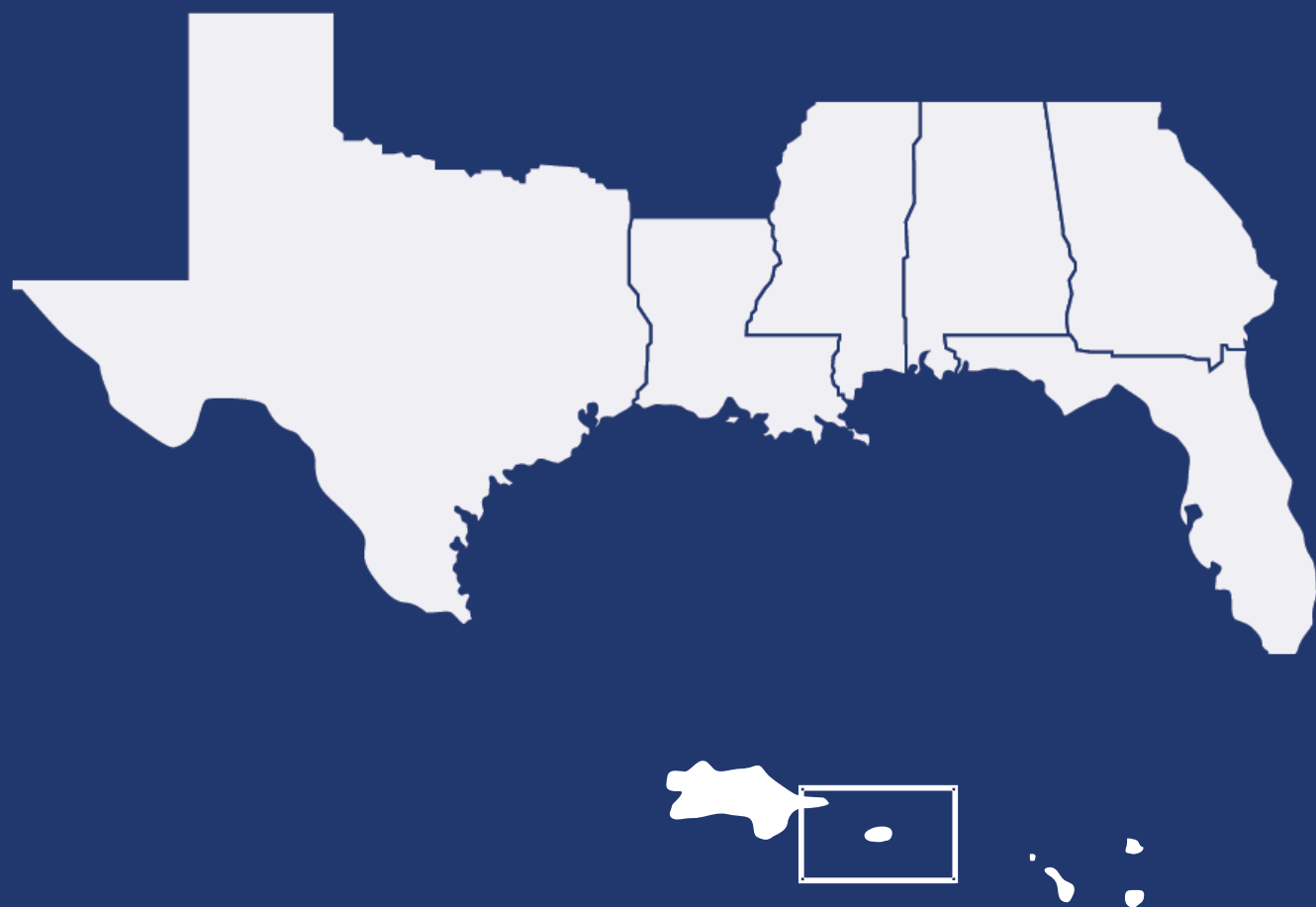
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As **THE ONLY** ASPR asset dedicated solely to pediatric disaster preparedness and response, the PDCOEs train healthcare professionals, support families, and coordinate with hospitals and caregivers at local, state, regional, and tribal levels. Our expertise spans the disaster cycle—mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery—in areas affecting millions of children everyday and during disasters.



G7's Major Initiatives

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Pediatric Preparedness for the Healthcare Professional

- **Course Program:**

- Developed in G7's inaugural year (2022), piloted in 2023
- 2-day, in-person pediatric disaster training course for healthcare professionals.
- Accredited for 15.5 hours CME, 16 hours CNE, and 16 hours EMS C

- **Audience:**

- Healthcare Professionals (pediatric & adult specialties), EMS/Medical Response Personnel, Medical Volunteers, Emergency Managers, & Public Health

- **Course Focus:**

- Pediatric disaster clinical preparedness, emergency management, public health, and resiliency/recovery.

- **Impact :**

- **820** healthcare professionals trained throughout U.S. from 2023-2026
 - 215 trained in 2023
 - 161 trained in 2024
 - 250 trained in 2025
 - 194 trained in 2026



Pediatric Preparedness for the Healthcare Professional

~16 Hours of CME, CNE, & EMS CE Available!

This free 2-Day, 16-hour course is a standardized, national-level pediatric disaster training on clinical preparedness, emergency management, public health, resiliency and recovery. Participants will learn specific clinical considerations for pediatric patients during natural and human-made disasters, how to develop comprehensive community and facility plans to improve pediatric clinical and post-disaster resilience, and best practices for pediatric patients across the disaster cycle.

This is a new course, developed in 2023 by the Gulf 7 Pediatric Disaster Network and our partners at TEEEX, specifically for the healthcare professional's perspective.

Locations	2026 Dates
New Orleans, LA	June 18-19
Birmingham, AL	June 29-30
Jackson, MS	July 16-17
Pharr, TX	July 20-21
Savannah, GA	August 24-25
Miami, FL	September 9-10
Ponce, Puerto Rico	September 14-15

Audience:

Healthcare Providers (Pediatric & Adult specialties), EMS/Medical Response Personnel, Medical Volunteers, Emergency Managers, & Public Health Workers

Cost:

This course is free of cost for all attendees.

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**ACCREDITATION/CREDIT DESIGNATION STATEMENTS**

- **CME:** This course is accredited by the American Academy of Family Physicians for 15.5 hours AMA PRA Category I credit.
- **CNE:** This nursing continuing professional development activity was approved by the Emergency Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Nurses will earn 16.0 contact hours upon course completion.
- **EMS CE:** EMS providers completing this course will earn 16.0 CE hours for Emergency Medical Services through the TX DSHS, Provider #01828, TEEEX.

Questions?

Email the Gulf 7 Pediatric Disaster Network:

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G7's Educational Initiatives (Cont.)

Pediatric Trauma & Grief in the Aftermath of Natural Disasters: Trauma & Grief Component Therapy (TGCT) Learning Collaboratives

- G7's Mental Health workgroup conducts TGCT learning collaboratives for community and school-based clinicians & counselors.
- Provides training on counseling children/students with trauma or grief related to natural disasters.
- Conducted twice in 2023 in Louisiana.
- Conducted once in 2025 in Florida, specifically targeting areas affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton.
- G7 plans to conduct this training again in 2027.



G7's Hospital Preparedness Initiatives

G7 Pediatric Preparedness Packets

- G7 is creating emergency/disaster preparedness packets, with specific considerations for pediatric patients & clinical/emergency management relevance.
- Purpose:
 - Help other hospitals/institutions create or improve their pediatric disaster/emergency management plans.
- Each packet will focus on one of the following topics:
 - Decontamination, Reunification, Highly Infectious Disease (HID), Burn Mass Casualty Incidents (MCI), and Evacuation.
- Each packet will have, and will contain 4 components:
 1. One-page document with high-yield info on the most important considerations for peds patients in a specific type of disaster.
 2. An example of a good disaster/emergency management plan.
 3. A basic template for hospitals to create their own plans, with highlighted pediatric-specific language to plug into existing plans.
 4. An interactive online educational module for each topic.

ONLY

47%

of hospitals
have a
disaster plan
that includes
pediatric patients

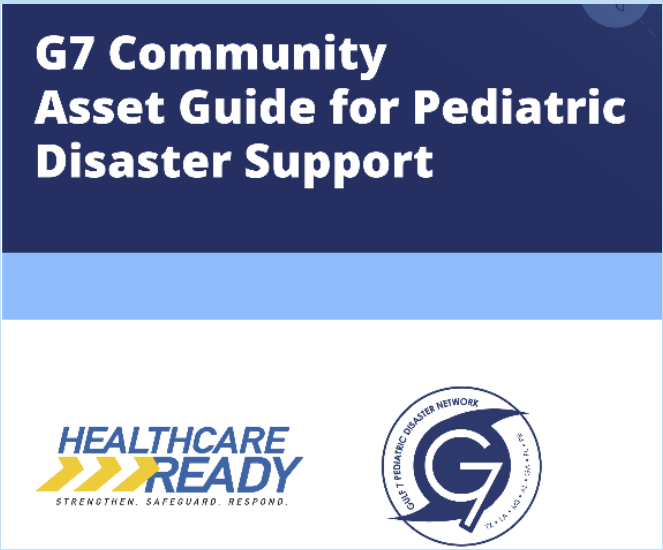


... and we're working to change that.





G7's Hospital Preparedness Initiatives (cont.)



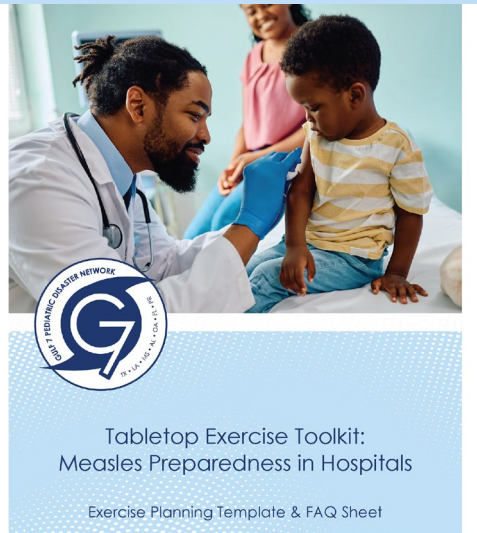
G7 & Healthcare Ready's Pediatric Disaster Readiness Project

- 1. Community Disaster Asset Mapping - Texas
- 2. Critical Healthcare Infrastructure (CHI) Profiles – all states/territories in G7 region



G7- SRDRS Regional Disaster Pediatric Collaborative

Children's hospitals across HHS Regions 4, 6, and Puerto Rico meet to talk about challenges and needs regarding pediatric disaster preparedness and response



G7 Tabletop Exercise Toolkits:

- 1. G7 exercise toolkit designed for Hospitals
- 2. G7 exercise toolkit designed for Outpatient Clinics



Other Initiatives

G7 DMAT Just-In-Time Training Modules

- 1-2 Hours Total, for DMAT members to take when staging right before a deployment
- Quick, high-level overview of “urgent-care” level pediatric concepts

PDCOE DMAT Pediatric Disaster Clinical Training Program

- 1.5-2 day in-person training for deployable teams
- Focus: Clinical knowledge, technical skills, and operational awareness required to provide pediatric disaster care in austere environments
- Design: Focused instruction, hands on skills laboratories, simulation based learning, and facilitated discussions
- Possibly postponed for next grant cycle.

G7's Regional Disaster Exercises



G7 conducts an annual, inperson regional disaster exercise in all 7 states/territories in the G7 network each year.

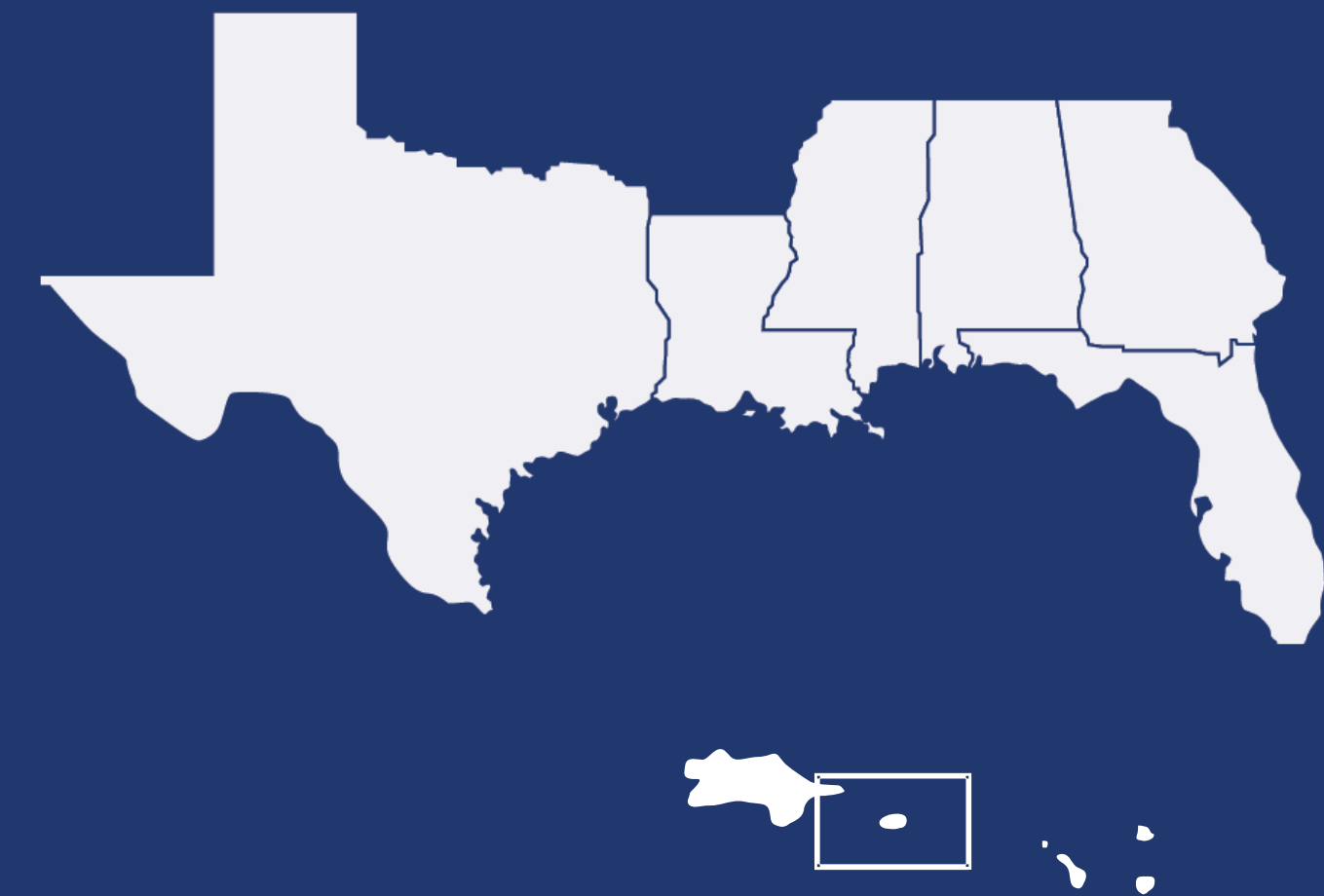
Purpose: Stress-test hospital response capability to disasters/large-scale incidents involving surges of pediatric patients and improve hospital emergency policies/procedures.

Current Exercise:

- **2026 Exercise Scenario: Hours 2 - 6 following a pediatric hospital surge**
 - In September 2026, G7 will conduct 7 functional tabletop exercises, exercising patient flow through out of the ED into OR/ICU.

Previous Exercises

- **2023 Exercise Scenario: Radiologic Disaster - Pediatric Surge**
 - G7 conducted a full-scale functional exercise with live simulated patients, 5 functional tabletop exercises, and 1 workshop.
- **2024 Exercise Scenario: Family Reunification After a Natural Disaster:**
 - G7 conducted 6 functional tabletop exercises and 1 functional exercise with live simulated patients throughout our region.
- **2025 Exercise Scenario: Pediatric Patient Surge During a Hurricane**
 - G7 conducted a full-scale functional exercise with live simulated patients, 5 functional tabletop exercises, and 1 exercise workshop.





G7 2026 Exercise-Operation Mayhem

G7 2026 Florida Exercise- Participating Organizations

- Gulf 7 Pediatric Disaster Network
- Central Florida Disaster Medical Coalition
- Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children/Arnold Palmer's Level 1 Trauma Center
- AdventHealth for Children
- Nemours Children's Hospital
- Orange County EMS





G7 2026 Exercise-Operation Mayhem (Cont.)

Scope

- Board game-based exercise, planned for four hours at The City of Orlando EOC. Exercise play is limited to discussion based on current/existing policies and best practices.

Capabilities

- Capability 2: Health Care and Medical Response Coordination
- Capability 4: Medical Surge

Objectives

- Demonstrate hospital utilization of their coalition to identify resource availability.
- Evaluate each hospital's ability to expand pediatric capacity while maintaining safe staffing, appropriate patient placement, and continuity of care during prolonged surge operations.
- Evaluate each hospital's ability to effectively monitor, prioritize, and manage critical pediatric supplies, medications, and equipment during sustained surge operations while maintaining safe patient care.
- **Scenario**
 - Operation Mayhem unfolds when there's an explosion at the local entertainment area where adults and children are enjoying themselves before going back to school. Multiple children are injured and will need immediate medical attention.



G7 2026 Exercise-Operation Mayhem (Cont.)

- Lessons Learned from the G7 exercise in Orlando
- Opportunities for future collaboration



Thank You

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TEEN TAKEOVERS

ERIC ALBERTS

SEPTEMBER 2026

TEEN TAKE OVERS

- **WHAT ARE THEY?**

- COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE DEALING WITH "TEEN TAKEOVERS".
- THE VIRAL SOCIAL MEDIA TREND IS CAUSING DISRUPTIONS IN PUBLIC SPACES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.
- THE SOCIAL MEDIA TREND INVOLVES TEENAGERS HOLDING LARGE SPONTANEOUS GATHERINGS IN PUBLIC PLACES.
- WHILE IT MAY SOUND HARMLESS, THESE GATHERINGS CAN BE DISRUPTIVE, AND SOME HAVE TURNED VIOLENT, PROMPTING CITIES TO LOOK FOR SOLUTIONS.

SOURCE: NPR - [VIRAL 'TEEN TAKEOVER' TREND IS CAUSING TROUBLE IN SOME COMMUNITIES : NPR](#)

- CROWDS AT REPORTED EVENTS VARY FROM A FEW DOZEN TO THOUSANDS.

TEEN TAKE OVERS

- **WHAT IS THE IMPACT?**
 - WHILE MANY GATHERINGS START AS HARMLESS HANGOUTS, SOME HAVE LED TO:
 - VANDALISM – PROPERTY DAMAGE,
 - DISORDER,
 - FIGHTS,
 - TRAFFIC DISRUPTIONS,
 - ROBBERIES,
 - VIOLENT INCIDENTS REQUIRING MAJOR POLICE INTERVENTION,
 - SHOOTINGS,
 - OVERWHELMED SECURITY AND POLICE,
 - MASS ARRESTS.

FLORIDA CASES

What teen takeovers have happened in Florida?

A few recent events in Florida included:

- **May 31, Clearwater Beach:** A 16-year-old boy shot a 17-year-old at [a gathering of hundreds of teens](#), police said. Multiple fights broke out after the shooting.
- **April 25, Orlando** - About 1,000 people descended on Orlando's popular tourist destination, Icon Park, ending in fistfights, two deputies hospitalized, and nine teens, ages 13 to 16, arrested.
- **April 9, Panama City Beach** - Several young people [were arrested in connection with](#) a takeover event after police received multiple calls about vehicles blocking streets and large groups of pedestrians in residential areas.
- **March 18, Jacksonville** - Three teenage girls, ages 12 and 13, [were arrested](#) after a gathering of more than 200 teens at Blue Cypress Park broke out in fights.
- **Feb. 21, Jacksonville Beach** - [Five teens were injured by gunfire](#) at the beach near the Community First SeaWalk Music Festival, police said.
- **Feb. 14, Jacksonville:** One person was detained after [a firearm was discharged](#) outside the Avenues Mall during a large takeover event of "100 to 300" teens, police said.

CENTRAL FLORIDA CASES

PUBLIC SAFETY

Multiple arrests after 'teen takeover' at Clearwater Beach

BY SPECTRUM NEWS STAFF | PINELLAS COUNTY
UPDATED 4:15 PM ET JUN. 01, 2026 | PUBLISHED 7:52 PM ET MAY 31, 2026

MONDAY AFTERNOON UPDATE: Clearwater Police on Monday issued a news release that said:

"Clearwater Police detectives continue to investigate Sunday's shooting on Coronado Drive on Clearwater Beach. No suspect has been arrested at this time. Many of those involved in Sunday's events came from outside Clearwater - Hillsborough County, Polk County, among other locations. Of the multiple people who were detained for investigative purposes, one faces criminal charges. A Brandon teen, 17, was charged with obstructing or resisting an officer without violence, unlawful carry of a concealed firearm and possession of a firearm by a minor under 18. He ran from the scene of the shooting and was detained shortly thereafter. The shooting victim remains hospitalized but is expected to be OK."

PREVIOUS STORY

CLEARWATER, Fla. — Clearwater Police are investigating a shooting that happened at Clearwater Beach Sunday evening just off of Coronado Drive near Pier 60.

Police say a planned "teen takeover" erupted into violence.

A 17-year-old was injured and taken to the hospital.

After the shooting, police say several fights broke out in the area.

According to Clearwater PD, there were hundreds of teens at the beach. Many disturbances, including some fights, happened near Pier 60, just off Coronado Drive, just after 5 p.m.

Related Story

- [Polk sheriff Judd warns kids, parents about 'teen takeovers'](#)

Teen takeovers have been happening across the country, but Deputy Police Chief Michael Walek says this behavior won't be tolerated.

[Multiple arrests after 'teen takeover' at Clearwater Beach](#)

CENTRAL FLORIDA CASES

America Reports May 11, 2026 · 1:47 · [CLIP](#)

22 arrested in violent teen takeover in Florida

Fox News correspondent Madison Scarpino reports on a violent teen takeover in Tampa, Florida, where 22 individuals were arrested, including a 12-year-old, on 'America Reports.'

[Tampa police crackdown on downtown 'teen takeovers' with new zone](#)

CENTRAL FLORIDA CASES

FLORIDA

Rampaging 1,000-teen mob storms tourist attraction, hurts officers in violent 'takeover' caught on video

Nine face charges, including battery on a law enforcement officer, after Saturday's chaos at Orlando's ICON Park

Over 1,000 teenagers stormed a [Florida](#) tourist attraction over the weekend in the latest viral teen "takeover," leading to nearly a dozen arrests and landing two police officers in the hospital.

The chaos kicked off Saturday around 7 p.m., when the mob of rowdy juveniles descended on Orlando's ICON Park, [according to](#) FOX 35.

Several fights reportedly broke out within the group, resulting in two Orange County deputies being injured as they tried to calm the melee.

CENTRAL FLORIDA CASES

Teens attempt 'takeover' of Orlando community field event



Updated: 11:12 PM EDT May 10, 2026 | [Editorial Standards](#)



David Jones
Reporter

ORLANDO, Fla. — Organizers of a popular Orlando community event called "P Day" said groups of teens swarmed the event Saturday, leading them to end it early and law enforcement to descend on the area around the Central Florida Fairgrounds in an effort to break up the crowds.

Dozens of police officers, sheriff's deputies and even the sheriff's department helicopter were used in the effort, said Orange County Commissioner Michael Scott.



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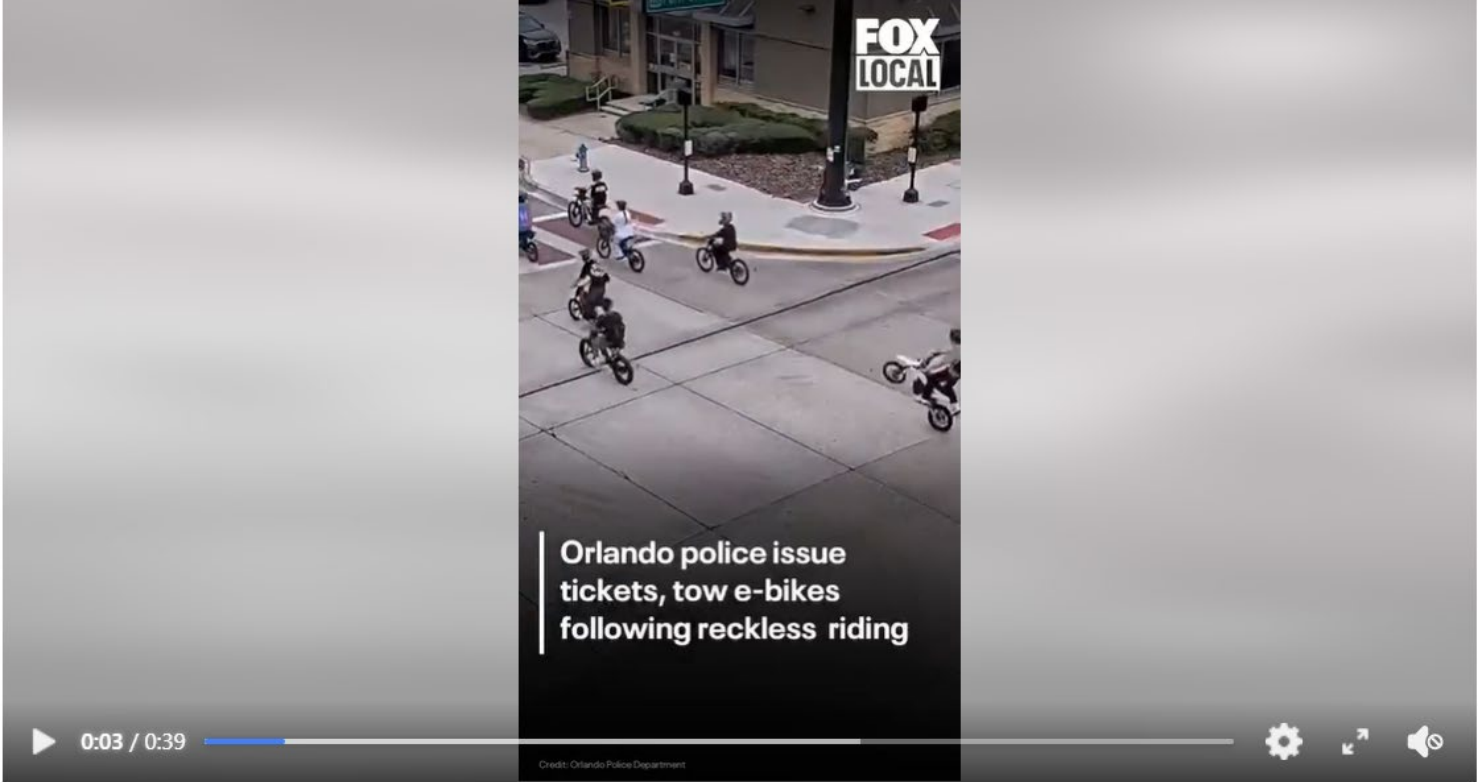
It was the ninth anniversary of "P Day," which community advocate Paul Josaphat started to give an outlet for kids and adults to have fun, Scott said.

The event features flag football games, kickball, vendors and food.

"I think P Day represents an affordable option, and by affordable I mean free, for families to come and have a good time," Scott said.

[Teens attempt 'takeover' of Orlando community field event - WESH](#)

CENTRAL FLORIDA CASES



Orlando police issue tickets, tow e-bikes following reckless riding

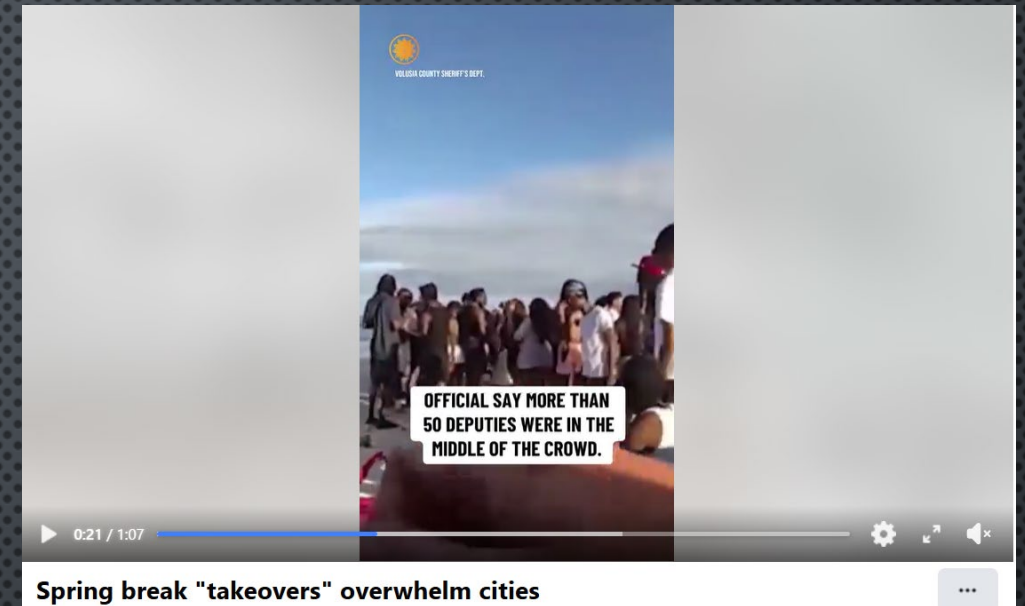
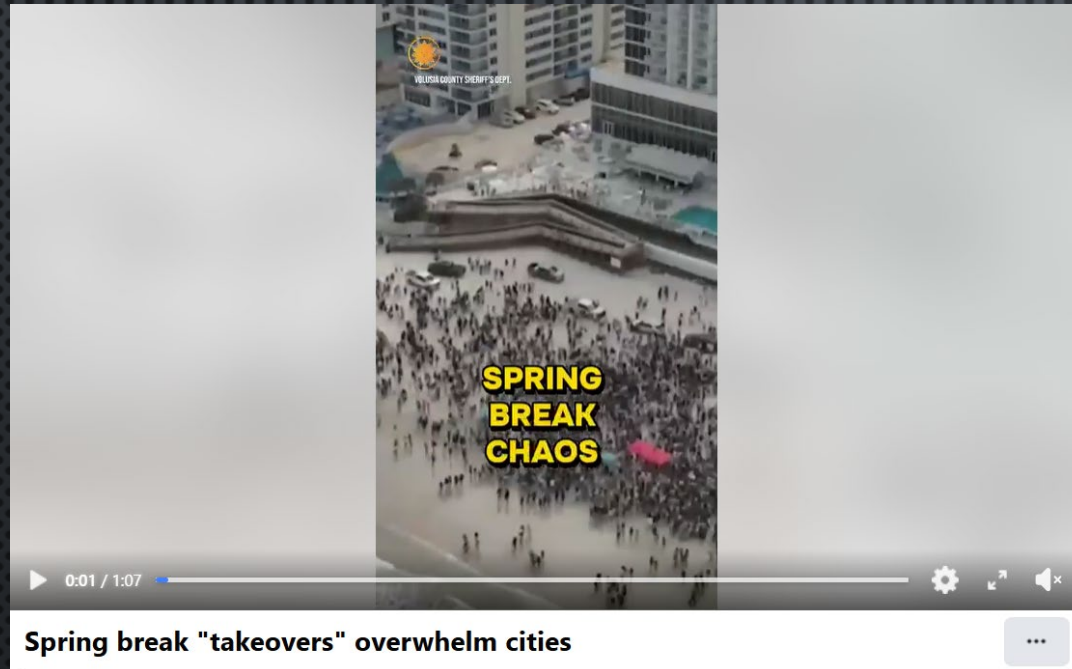
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Credit: Orlando Police Department

The Orlando Police Department said hundreds of kids on e-bikes and motorized scooters were causing trouble in downtown Orlando last...

[The Orlando Police Department said hundreds of kids on e-bikes and motorized scooters were causing trouble in downtown Orlando last weekend, allegedly driving through red lights, impeding traffic, blocking roadways, and preventing emergency officials from responding to calls. | FOX 13 News - Tampa Bay | Facebook](#)

CENTRAL FLORIDA CASES



Massive gatherings organized on social media have overwhelmed some Florida cities and local officials as part of spring break "takeovers." In Daytona Beach, beachgoers ran after hearing what they thought were gunshots. | CBS Mornings | Facebook

10-12-26 Trauma Advisory Board Clinical Leadership Committee Minutes

Attendees: Eric Alberts, Dr. Peter Antevy, Dr. Alicia Buck, Lynne Drawdy, Dr. Desmond Fitzpatrick, Dr. Sanjiv Gray, Diane Hilliard, Dr. John McPherson, Dr. Peter Pappas, Dr. Ayanna Walker

Welcome/Roll Call:

Call to Order: Dr. Pappas called the meeting to order and welcomed all present. He thanked Eric Alberts and Dr. Antevy for presenting today.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

CFDMC Update:

- **G7 Exercise – After Action Follow-up:** Lynne advised that the exercise was very successful. We are still waiting for the after action report and expect it in the near future. We have already taken a few actions. One is that we identified a gap in pediatric evacuation equipment; we have placed toddler sleds and infant baskets in the evacuation trailer at ORMC. We also heard during the exercise that hospitals are confused about the new pediatric readiness guidelines. The Coalition worked with Florida Hospital Association to host a webinar last week to review the guidelines. Lynne stated that the two gaps she heard during the exercise are patient tracking and family reunification.
- **DOH RMOCC Update:** Dr. Pappas stated that FCOT has heard no more about this. Lynne stated that she has reached out to find out when the documents will be coming out, and we are told they will be coming soon. She stated that she has also invited Steve McCoy to present at the annual conference.
- **Teen Takeovers and System Implications:** Eric Alberts presented on teen takeovers and their impacts (see attached presentation). Eric stated that he experienced this at a local mall recently; with many law enforcement responding to the concern of a teen takeover. Dr. McPherson asked if this was a national or international issue. Eric stated that his understanding is that this is happening nationally but there have been a lot of events in Florida, probably because of the attractions. Dr. Pappas stated that in most events of this type there is a political motivation; these appear to be spontaneous. We need to think about how we keep our responders in the field safe and working during this type of event, and how we can work with community partners on preventive measures. Dr. McPherson asked about planning sessions, and Eric stated that he is not aware of any. Dr. Pappas stated that this is another threat we need to include in mass casualty planning.

Old Business: Dr. Pappas reminded the group that the Florida Committee on Trauma in Tampa will meet October 22nd, the day before the Trauma Advisory Council meeting.

EMS Transfusion Initiatives: Dr. Peter Antevy presented on EMS transfusion initiatives for field care (Dr. Antevy agreed to share his presentation and it will be sent when received). His presentation included the need for whole blood in the field based on data, the Florida training initiative (SPARC) which provides free training and equipment, an overview of these programs in Florida, and next steps in moving this forward. Dr. Fitzpatrick discussed Orange County's program and data collection. Dr. Pappas stated that there are several areas of excellence in the state developing comprehensive and effective programs and there is a huge opportunity for trauma and EMS leaders to take the lead in creating a statewide model. Dr. Grey noted that Volusia County just initiated a program. The ability to use freeze-dried plasma may take two to three years. Information was sent out on the new

Hillsborough program to deliver whole blood in the field using drones. Dr. Pappas stated that we will continue this discussion at the Florida Committee on Trauma.

New Business: Dr. McPherson asked about the nominations for the 2026 Leader of the Year award in Trauma. Do we have anyone to nominate? Dr. Zito was nominated last year.

Dr. McPherson stated that Brevard County is holding their annual conference on October 15th and 16th – this is a free conference, and he invited all to attend.

Next Meeting: November 30, 2026 at 3 pm

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 3:53 pm

10-13-26 Trauma System Support Committee Minutes

Participants: Lina Chico, Lynne Drawdy, Jess Henwood, Diane Hilliard, Nicole Manley, Shawn Treloar

Welcome: Lina welcomed all and asked each participant to introduce him/herself. She stated that Sheryl Aldarondo is teaching today.

Health First: Jess Henwood Jess Henwood stated that they are continuing Stop the Bleed classes and rotating these among their hospitals monthly. They also hold monthly fall prevention classes, and the last one was one of the biggest yet. They are back in the schools this month with Impact Teen Driving. They have their Be Seen and Be Safe event on the 17th, called Ghostly Gecko, which is also a night race. These events provides safety lights; for example, for the runners in the 5K. These events always have a big turnout.

HCA FL Osceola: Nicole Manley stated that for Falls Prevention Month they did a lot of senior events. This month, they are focusing on Stop the Bleed; she stated that Shawn will be helping her on October 25th for training at the Navy Reserves so they can train their crews. She stated that e-bikes are currently outpacing motorcycle accidents and is the third highest injury mechanism, so she has been doing a lot of community outreach on that. She just joined an organization called Partners in Education in Osceola and hopes that it will be an entry into high schools and middle schools. Lina acknowledged that getting into the schools is difficult. Nicole stated that she started by sending out safety information in English and Spanish for the schools' newsletters. She is also doing bike helmet fittings to gain entry into the schools, and these efforts are paying off. Next month, Nicole stated she will focus on holiday travel, and she will be attending car fit training.

HCA Florida Lake Monroe: Shawn Treloar stated they are doing Stop the Bleeds with the local high school health academy, and they are working on setting up tours for these students at the trauma center. He stated that they are preparing for Biketoberfest this weekend. They are also seeing increases in e-bike injuries.

Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children: Lina stated they are working on an e-bike safety campaign and are working with a local high school with over 200 e-device users. They went at dismissal one day and handed out free ice cream vouchers for the kids wearing helmets. They also held a bike fitting event including e-bike and e-scooter helmets and were able to give 40 helmets that day. They will be continuing these events. She stated they have a grant to help with the helmets and are hoping that more students will want these. She stated that their car seat program is one of their biggest programs, and they assist caregivers in making sure the seats are installed properly, and they have a grant to provide car seats to those in need; this program is growing. She stated that they have also been certifying a lot of child passenger safety technicians and these book up quickly. Lina stated that they are also promoting e-bike safety.

Orlando Regional Medical Center: Lina reported for Sheryl and stated that she continues to do a lot of Stop the Bleed courses, some with over 100 participants. Lina stated Sheryl continues to do burn prevention training at Valencia, at South Lake Hospital, at fire/rescue open houses, etc. She stated that they are also partnering with the YMCA on injury prevention and will be participating in a new center at Tangelo Park in October. She will also be participating in the Heart Walk on November 7th.

E-Bikes: All agreed that e-bike injuries are increasing. Data collection is difficult in coding e-bikes, scooters, mopeds, etc. The group discussed the need for a common understanding of each type of e-vehicle and the need for the registry to capture data for each. Nicole stated that she has started education classes on these for their EMS to help capture correct data. Jess stated that she felt the data from EMS and law enforcement is improving. Lina stated that they have seen a slight decrease in Orange County since the schools banned these from campuses. She stated that they are using social media to push helmet use. They are still seeing significant injuries even with helmets but have seen a decrease in TBIs. Jess asked if the helmet fittings are different for e-bikes. Lina stated that the helmets are different, but the fittings are similar. She stated that there is an issue that the largest size is not big enough for some and they are looking at other helmets. Jess stated that Brevard County Schools sent out e-bike safety and helmet information to all households. The group discussed increases in injuries with adults and feel this is due to increased usage due to gas prices.

Drownings: Lina stated that they are seeing a lot of pediatric drownings, including Airbnb's and vacation rentals. She stated they are increasing education in the community, such as door alarms, high door locks, etc.

Statewide Stop the Bleed Project: Lynne stated that she learned that the payment was keyed into the Division of Emergency Management System for payment on October 2nd but there was a system error and this will be re-entered. Lynne stated that this payment will represent 50% of the \$300,000 statewide payment. The Coalition will allocate this first to the smaller coalitions. As soon as they have provided the kits or trainings and we are reimbursed, Regions 4 and 5 will receive the funding.

Next Meeting: Lynne advised that the next meeting will be held a week early on December 1st as the CFDMC annual conference is on December 8th and 9th. She stated that the conference highlights and registration are on the website at www.centralfladisaster.org under Upcoming Events. The conference is free and she hopes committee members will attend.