



Fiscal Year 2018 Quarterly Activity Report

Western RETAC

Quarter 1

July, August, September

Current Issues
1. Work with regional training centers to help coordinate and or participate in at least 4 EMTS Training Seminars.
2. Bring Leadership training in to train and follow up with the current WRETAC board.
3. Bring distance learning to the WRETAC via online education with several different education facilities and Training Centers.
4. Maintain and improve current website. Continue learning how to post information and making the site interactive with other training programs.
5. Purchase and maintain equipment for video conferencing for our WRETAC board meetings
6. The WRETAC will have a regular presence at all RETAC forums and at all SEMTAC forums.
7. Support Injury Prevention programs such as, Stop the Bleed, Stepping-Up, and Tai Chi. Also participate in other public education involving injury prevention outreach to our communities.
8. Support a project that will help link and track locations of available AEDs that can be obtained by dispatch and/or a smart phone in an emergency.
RETAC Activity/Accomplishments
Describe activity within the region during the reporting period. In particular include progress toward biennial plan goals and local/regional projects. Please list any partners on specific projects or accomplishments.

Current Issues and Progress on WRETAC Goals

Mr. Lawrence Bejarano, our RETAC Coordinator resigned his job effective to pursue a career in flight medicine and critical care transport, we wish him all the best. From, that time until the end of the Quarter we have been in the hunt for a new coordinator and in the process established a hiring process for the WRETAC. We took a comprehensive look at the coordinator’s job description and vetted expectations we wanted to see in the position. We published those expectations and received a slate of applicants. We established a hiring committee representing all the counties of our RETAC and interviewed four selected candidates. Recommendations of the committee were taken to the full WRETAC board for action at the next regular meeting. At this writing, the new coordinator, Danny Barela, is starting his activities for the WRETAC with Lawrence lending his support to the transition.

Goal 1 – Concerning participation in at least 4 EMTS Training Seminars, no seminars took place within the WRETAC in the first quarter. Many EMS agencies sent personnel to the State Conference in Keystone in November. Plans are already underway to put on another EMTS Conference for the Western WRETAC, and we

hope to send several people to the EMS and Fire Conference in Grand Junction come January, the Leadership Conference in Grand Junction next April, and to CSEC in Ignacio also in April. Next May, Delta County Memorial will once again put on its popular EMS and Trauma Conference in Delta.

Goal 2 – Regarding Leadership training, no progress in the last quarter. As stated above, we hope to send leaders from most or all of our agencies and facilities to the NWRETAC leadership conference and some to the NEMSO Pre-conference workshop at that venue. We soon will also be entertaining the concept of a Board Retreat before the end this biennial period.

Goal 3 – Distance Learning, no progress pending hiring a new coordinator.

Goal 4 – Regarding the Website, it has been maintained and used to help recruit a new coordinator and post the revised job description. Our new coordinator will be seeing to content updates on this site by the end of the current quarter.

Goal 5 - Purchase of Video Equipment, no progress 1st quarter pending hire of new coordinator. Existing equipment used for Zoom Conferencing were used at the last few meetings of the WRETAC and during interviews with Coordinator candidates.

Goal 6 – Concerning a regular presence at all RETAC forums and SEMTAC. Our board members have taken this responsibility on with and without the coordinator present. The last RETAC Forum and the last SEMTAC meeting were both attended by our WRETAC president, Reg Vickers. Attendance at these forums is in the job description of the hired coordinator. The new coordinator, Danny Barela, is also an active member of the EMTS Education Sub-Committee.

Goal 7 – Concerning Injury Prevention programs. We have added a new Car Seat Technician Trainer. Delta Hospital is actively teaching the Step-Up and Tai-Chi programs for fall prevention. The Stop-The-Bleed training will take priority in the next two quarters as it has been identified as a key mitigation measure for Active Shooter preparedness as punctuated by current events. We currently have four Instructor-Trainers in the WRETAC.

Goal 8 - Tracking of AEDs, this refers to the Altrus[®] AED registry and no progress was made 1st quarter pending hire of new coordinator.

Other WRETAC Activities.

As already mentioned the chief activity in the WRETAC was the recruitment and selection of a new Coordinator. The RMD group has worked on their own to roll out a protocol app for use in our region.

Regional/Local Funding Overview *During this three-month period no payments were processed for local funding. Activity reimbursed after September 30th will be reported next quarter.*