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<b>SPEAKER</b>	Richard K. Brooks, III, Chief / Director - Cecil County (MD) Department of Emergency Services	Stephen Libhart, SCTF Chair & Martyn Nevil, SCTF Program Manager	Dr. Michael P. Allsweade, D.O., Sunrise GME Consortium, Las Vegas, NV	Sgt. Robert Bemis, PA State Police (retired)
DAY 2 - WED, 3/27	0830 - 1000	1015 - 1145	1300 - 1430	1445-1615
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>GIS NG911 Workshop</i></b>	<b><i>SCTF WebEOC Update</i></b>	<b><i>UAV's in the South Central Task Force: A Panel Discussion</i></b>	<b><i>Use of Drones and Drone Technology for Law Enforcement</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Justin Smith, Cumberland County GIS, Sarah Benschhoff, Franklin County GIS and SCTF GIS Working Group	SCTF WebEOC WG	Facilitators: Philip Colvin and Dan Scully, Lancaster County EMA; Rodney Sonderman, Hershey Fire Co.; Matt Randolph, Ephrata Borough PD; Jonathan Anshutz, PEMA	Ron Stanko, Governor's Office of Homeland Security
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>Redefining Your Enemy</i></b>	<b><i>NFPA 3000 Preparedness &amp; Response to Active Shooter and/or Hostile Events: Application, Implementation &amp; Use</i></b>	<b><i>Preventing / Mitigating an Active Shooter Incident</i></b>	<b><i>Cyber Security and the Internet of Things</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Bryan Gembusia, President, YYCS Computer Services	Edward Conlin, Director - Emergency Responder Safety, National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA	George Giangli, SCTF Business, industry & Infrastructure SC	I/A Robin Cartwright, PA State Police, PaCIC
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>Managing Large, Complex and Dysfunctional Incidents - Lessons Learned</i></b>	<b><i>Local IMT Tasked with Organizing Response to Civil Disorder Incident</i></b>	<b><i>The Diversity of Public Information Officers in South Central Pennsylvania</i></b>	
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Gregory Noll, Senior Planning Specialist - Special Projects, SCTF	Lee Williams, Chief - Incident Management Programs, Virginia Dept. of Emergency Management	Duane Hagelgans, PIO Planning Specialist, SCTF and Associate Professor, Millersville University Center for Disaster Research & Education	
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>The Path to a Self-Sustaining Exercise Program</i></b>		<b><i>Emerging CBRNE Threats &amp; Operational Response Considerations</i></b>	<b><i>Evidence-Based Response to Synthetic Opioid Threats</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Rick Hamm, SCTF Exercise Program Coord. & SCTF Exercise WG Members		Christina M. Baxter, Ph.D., CEO, Emergency Response TIPS, LLC	Christina M. Baxter, Ph.D., CEO, Emergency Response TIPS, LLC
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>SCTF Mass Casualty Incident Framework</i></b>		<b><i>Commonwealth of PA Radio Communications Updates</i></b>	
<b>SPEAKER</b>	SCPA MCI Working Group - Joe Cocciardi (SCTF); Steve Lyle (EHSF); Scott Mickalonis (SCPA HCC)		Mark Wrightsone - Chief of Customer Support, Holly Caudill - Grants Admin. Officer, Capt. Sean Georgia, PSP Radio Office	

<b>DAY 3 - THUR, 3/28</b>	<b>0830 - 1000</b>	<b>1015 - 1145</b>	<b>1300 - 1430</b>	<b>1445-1615</b>
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>Edgewood, MD Workplace Violence Incident - Lessons Learned</i></b>	<b><i>Case Study in Pre-Hospital Care (use of a tourniquet) and Mindset (winning the fight)</i></b>	<b><i>Special Event Planning for Small and Medium Sized Departments</i></b>	<b><i>Human Trafficking</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Major William Davis and Senior Deputy Sheriff Jeremy Mothershead, Hartford County (MD) Sheriff's Office	Officer Joshua Comitale, Troy, NY Police Department	Police Chief William L. Harvey, Ephrata PD	I/A Krista Hoffman, PA Governor's Office of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Exercise Officer
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>Killing Ourselves Slowly (Resolving Fire Exposure Facts from Fiction)</i></b>	<b><i>Challenging the Decontamination Paradigm - New Evidence-Based Tools</i></b>	<b><i>Same Circus, Different Clowns</i></b>	<b><i>Hazards of Marijuana Grow Operations &amp; Butane Hash Oil Extractions</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Christina M. Baxter, Ph.D., CEO, Emergency Response TIPS, LLC	Christina M. Baxter, Ph.D., CEO, Emergency Response TIPS, LLC	Asst. Chief Clay Haberkorn, Denver (CO) Fire Dept. & Capt. Dana Brown, Houston (TX) Fire Dept. HM-1	Asst. Chief Clay Haberkorn, Denver (CO) Fire Dept. & Capt. Dana Brown, Houston (TX) Fire Dept. HM-1
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>Collection and Disposal of Carcasses During Hurricanes and Floods</i></b>	<b><i>Coping with Ticks and Other Disease Bearing Insects</i></b>	<b><i>The U.S. Chemical Safety Board: Helping the Emergency Preparedness Community</i></b>	<b><i>The Consequences of Not Knowing What You Don't Know</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Dr. Doug Meckes, State Veterinarian, North Carolina Dept. of Agriculture	Dr. Erika Machtiger, Penn State Cooperative Extension, Vector Disease Committee Lead	Manny Ehrlich, Board Member, U.S. Chemical Safety Board, Washington, DC	Manny Ehrlich, Board Member, U.S. Chemical Safety Board, Washington, DC
<b>SESSION</b>	<b><i>Narcan Train-the-Trainer Session</i></b>	<b><i>Highly Infectious Disease Readiness in Pennsylvania's Healthcare Facilities: An Overview</i></b>	<b><i>The Night That I Almost Jumped (Need Description)</i></b>	<b><i>Responding to Psychiatric Emergencies and Suicide Prevention: De-Escalation Strategies</i></b>
<b>SPEAKER</b>	Dr. Robert Gum, D.O. MPH, Cocciardi & Associates & SCTF Medical Planning Specialist	South Central (PA) Healthcare Coalition Representatives	Matthew A. Giacomelli, BS, NR-P, York Regional EMS	Ryan Davies, BA, NREMT, Police Liaison - Crisis Intervention Services, Lancaster County Behavioral Health & Development Services

## **SOUTH CENTRAL TASK FORCE**

### **2019 HOMELAND SECURITY CONFERENCE BROCHURE Version – 2/13/19**

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**CONFERENCE THEME: BACK TO THE FUTURE...THE REGIONAL TASK FORCE  
CONCEPT 20 YEARS LATER!**

#### **CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES**

- Provide a forum for the SCTF membership to meet and network as a single, integrated organization.
- Provide training and educational opportunities for the SCTF membership.
- Provide opportunities for cross-discipline training, education and networking within the Task Force.

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 26th ANNUAL OPEN MEETING**

These events are open to all members of the Task Force, participating agencies and organizations, and elected officials and representatives from those governmental entities within the South Central region. The session is an open educational session with a keynote speaker and general session presentations.

#### **0900 - OPENING AND WELCOME**

Stephen Libhart  
SCTF Chairperson  
Dauphin County Dept. of Public Safety  
Steelton, PA

Martyn Nevil  
SCTF Program Manager  
Middletown, PA

#### **KEYNOTE SESSION: IS THIS FOR REAL?**

Richard K. Brooks, III  
Chief / Director  
Cecil County (MD) Dept. of Emergency Services

The time has come for us to have a frank discussion. Why are you here? Did you choose to be here or where you drafted into this profession. We are going to discuss the fundamental reason why you as a professional have chosen this. If you can dial a phone. If you have no hair on

your head, or you saw Elvis live you may know the answer. But, if you talk with your thumbs and don't know who the Beatles were, then we are going to have some fun.

Let's go from Sara Title III to OSHA 1910.120 to HSPD 5. I want to know what you think. And by the way, you will definitely know what I think. Buckle your seatbelt !

## **ANNUAL STATE OF THE TASK FORCE REPORT 2018 SCTF MRS. SMITH AWARDS**

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### **1145 – 1245 - LUNCH**

## **GENERAL SESSION #1: THE LAS VEGAS MCI: A CALL FOR AN ANALYTICAL APPROACH**

Dr. Richard P. Allsweade, D.O.  
Sunrise GME Consortium, Las Vegas, NV

As a responder and the Principal Investigator of the Las Vegas MCI study group, this general session will bring the audience to the events of the October 1<sup>st</sup> Las Vegas MCI and the medical response for the event. Discussion topics will include altered standards of care. The Framework for Research in Disaster and Emergency Medicine in the Utstein style will be introduced and its impact on disaster research will be demonstrated.

## **GENERAL SESSION #2 – FORGED IN SCARS AND STRIPES**

Sgt. Robert Bemis (retired)  
PA State Police

On March 27, 2015, Sergeant Bemis, then a 22-year veteran of the Pennsylvania State Police, was stopped along the side of an interstate highway to render assistance to a disabled motorist whose vehicle was on fire. A passing vehicle approaching the scene lost control and struck the rear of Sergeant Bemis' police vehicle, which subsequently went forward and struck Sergeant Bemis, causing life-threatening and permanent injury. After seven months of surgery, rehabilitation and physical therapy, Sergeant Bemis returned to his job as a supervisor and instructor at the State Police Academy. He continued to serve the citizens of the Commonwealth for an additional 14 months before concluding a 30-year law enforcement career in 2017.

Sergeant Bemis tells the story of his journey from a disadvantaged youth, to early and prestigious service in the U.S. Marine Corps, and on to an accomplished career with the Pennsylvania State Police that was abruptly altered by one act of service. The story provides an account of the circumstances leading up to the accident; the emergency response; the long recovery and living with a spinal injury; the initial agency, peer and community support; and finally, the highs and lows of returning to his role as a Trooper.

This session is beneficial to any organization which promotes leadership principles or concern for the welfare of others. It is intended to increase understanding and raise awareness to the unique difficulties faced by service members who survive catastrophic injuries received in the "Line of Duty". Often, the member confronts unanticipated obstacles beyond physical recovery, and the mission becomes about the agency and member working to find both balance and value to the member's continued service with the organization.

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27th**

**Morning Workshop Sessions (0830 to 1145 hours)** – see matrix for specific schedule.

**Lunch (1145 – 1300 hours)**

**Afternoon Workshop Sessions (1300 to 1615)** – see matrix for specific schedule.

### **THURSDAY MARCH 28th**

**Morning Workshop Sessions (0830 to 1145 hours)** – see matrix for specific schedule.

**Lunch (1145 – 1300 hours)**

**Afternoon Workshop Sessions (1300 to 1615)** – see matrix for specific schedule.

## **WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS (Alphabetical)**

### **CASE STUDY IN PRE-HOSPITAL CARE (*USE OF A TOURNIQUET*) AND MINDSET (*WINNING THE FIGHT*)**

Speaker: Officer Joshua Comitale, Troy, NY Police Department

Description: This workshop focuses on an incident that Officer Comitale was involved in on August 22, 2015. He was involved in a foot pursuit where he witnessed the suspect produce a handgun Comitale said "He ambushed my partner in his patrol car. I immediately engaged him in a gunfight where he was struck but I was also struck in both legs. I utilized a tourniquet to stop the peroneal arterial bleed on my right leg and got back in the fight to end it." This presentation goes from the beginning of the shift and through the incident, where it breakdowns with CCTV footage, radio transmissions, the aftermath, and the recovery.

### **CHALLENGING THE DECONTAMINATION PARADIGM – NEW EVIDENCE-BASED TOOLS**

Speaker: Christine Baxter, Ph.D., CEO – Emergency Response TIPS, LLC

Description: This course will focus on new and evolving research on the nature of the interaction of gases, skin, and clothing in operationally relevant timelines provides a basis for rational decision making by first responders dealing with potential casualties in the event of a chemical release. This session will provide the users with the information necessary to make timely science-based decisions related to skin decontamination.

### **THE U.S. CHEMICAL SAFETY BOARD (CSB): HELPING THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMUNITY**

Speaker: Manny Ehrlich, Board Member, U.S. Chemical Safety Board, Washington, DC

Description: The CSB is an independent federal agency charged with investigating industrial chemical accidents. Headquartered in Washington, DC, the agency's board members are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. The CSB's mission is to "drive chemical safety change through independent investigation to protect people and the environment.

The CSB conducts root cause investigations of chemical accidents at fixed industrial facilities. Root causes are usually deficiencies in safety management systems, but may be any factor that could have prevented the accident if the identified factor(s) had not occurred. Other accident causes often involve equipment failures, human errors, unforeseen chemical reactions or other hazards. The agency does not issue fines or citations, but does make recommendations to plants, regulatory agencies such as OSHA, EPA, industry organizations and labor groups.

This session will focus upon key incidents and case studies that have influenced emergency prevention, planning and response within the chemical industry over the last decade. Emphasis will be placed upon critical issues, lessons learned, and future challenges.

## **COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF CARCASSES DURING HURRICANES AND FLOODS**

Speaker: Dr. Doug Meckes, State Veterinarian, North Carolina Dept. of Agriculture

Description: This workshop will review the logistics and potentially overwhelming volume of materials required during the collection and disposal of swine and poultry carcasses as a result of hurricanes and other natural disasters. This workshop will be allocable to those responsible for mass depopulation as well.

## **COMMONWEALTH OF PA RADIO COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE**

Speakers: Mark Wrightstone, Chief of Customer Support, PSP Radio Office  
Holly Caudill, Grants Administrative Officer, PSP Radio Office  
Capt. Sean Georgia, PSP Radio Office

Description: The workshop will provide an overview of on-going Commonwealth of Pennsylvania radio projects and initiatives. These initiatives include the PA STARNET migration from OpenSky to P25 Phase II system, FirstNet, and county / state radio systems partnership possibilities.

## **THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT KNOWING WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW**

Speaker: Manny Ehrlich, Board Member, U.S. Chemical Safety Board, Washington, DC

Description: The make-up and complexion of the hazardous materials emergency response community has changed dramatically over the past 5 to 10 years, and in no way is exemplary of 25 or thirty years ago. No longer is the responder an individual who stands alone, not affiliated with an organizational mission statement. No longer is the emergency responder thought of as an individual, arbitrarily plucked from an organization and assigned the responsibility of going to the scene of a hazardous materials incident and "taking care of the problem." No longer is the responder characterized as the Lone Ranger, who always show up to fix a problem, who ultimately climb atop his white horse, donning his white hat, and rides into the sunset. No longer does the responsibility of the responder end with the termination of a hazardous materials incident, where upon s/he returns to the activity that was being pursued prior to the incident.

In today's environment the role of the responder must take on a much more sophisticated, multidimensional framework encompassing not only higher-order analytical and interpersonal skills, but critical decision making that can involve life

and death decisions. This session takes a retrospective analysis of critical events that have occurred in the hazmat community over the last 30 years, and forms an argument on the need for comprehensive, risk-based training. Using case studies to illustrate key points, the underlying theme of this presentation is “the consequences of not knowing what you don’t know.”

## **COPING WITH TICKS AND OTHER DISEASE BEARING INSECTS**

Speakers: Dr. Erika Machtinger, Vector Disease Committee Lead  
Penn State Cooperative Extension

Description: This workshop will focus on several new types of ticks and other vectors being newly found in our region. These include Lone Star, Longhorned Ticks, and conventional bat, bird, deer and American dog ticks. Topics will include preventing bites, removing tick vectors and treating bites. Other pests such as moths, lice, flies, West Nile Virus and mosquitos (including the Asian Tiger Mosquito) will be covered. Target audience is focused towards first responders who must enter rural environments with high vegetation.

## **CYBER-SECURITY AND THE INTERNET OF THINGS**

Speaker: I/A Robin Cartwright, PA State Police, PaCIC

Description: As the Internet has evolved from a relatively small text-based network into a vital component of our national infrastructure, cyberthreats have evolved, as well. Data breaches and ransomware attacks are becoming commonplace, and the rising popularity of the Internet of Things (IoT) mean new challenges in cybersecurity. This session will address the most common threats to the Internet and how the IoT plays into those threats. Ways to prevent some of these threats and how to minimize others will also be discussed. The speaker also produces a monthly report on the IT sector that includes information about current threats to the nation’s IT infrastructure and the impact some of those threats have on daily life. Ms. Cartwright also monitors the Information Technology sector for imminent threats and sends out information to CI/KR partners to inform them about those threats.

## **EDGEWOOD, MD WORKPLACE VIOLENCE INCIDENT: LESSONS LEARNED**

Speakers: Major William Davis, Chief – Operations Bureau, Harford County (MD) Sheriffs Department  
Jeremy Mothershead, Senior Deputy Sheriff, Harford County (MD) Sheriffs Department

Description: On September 20, 2018, three people died and two were injured in a workplace violence shooting at a Rite Aid Distribution Center in Edgewood (Harford County, MD). The incident response included the utilization of the Rescue Task Force concept in which fire and EMS units integrated with law enforcement personnel



to ensure the rapid collection and removal of the injured. This workshop will focus on the challenges and lessons learned as part of the response.

## **EMERGING CBRNE THREATS & OPERATIONAL RESPONSE CONSIDERATIONS**

Speaker: Christine Baxter, Ph.D., CEO – Emergency Response TIPS, LLC

Description: During 2018, there has been an increased interest from Pro-ISIS groups in the development of CBRNE threats and the implementation of attacks. This presentation will focus on the evolving threat (Opportunistic, Chemical, Biological, Radiological/Nuclear, and Explosive) and how you, as responders, must evolve in your response capabilities to meet these threats. Recognizing and understanding the threat and the risk that it poses is critical to determining the appropriate response.

## **EVIDENCE-BASED RESPONSE TO SYNTHETIC OPIOID THREATS**

Speaker: Christine Baxter, Ph.D., CEO – Emergency Response TIPS, LLC

Description: Fentanyl and fentanyl analogs quickly became the most common high hazard response over the past two years. While synthetic opioids do represent a risk, it is a risk that can easily be managed. Recognizing and understanding the risk is critical when determining the appropriate response. Using the known facts about fentanyl and its analogs (such as solubility, toxicity, degradation pathways, and others), operational response protocols will be presented for detection, identification, protection from, decontamination, and destruction of fentanyl-based materials. These simple response protocols and resultant example operational guidelines will assist responders in safely and effectively responding to this high hazard threat.

## **GIS NEXT GEN911 WORKSHOP**

Speaker: Justin Smith, Cumberland County GIS and SCTF GIS Working Group  
Sarah Benshoff, Franklin County GIS and SCTF GIS Working Group

Description: This workshop will focus on regional efforts and activities pertaining to NG911 and lessons learned from the integration of GIS personnel into the SCTF Incident Management Team structure. The SCTF GIS Workgroup is preparing for NG911 and has received a grant from PEMA, which will facilitate interconnectivity between our eight county datasets for quality control in the NENA GIS Data Model. As part of this process, roads, addresses, and fire boxes will need to meet strict standards in order to route calls through the statewide ESInet. The GIS WG is developing PSAP Boundaries by aligning neighboring county MSAG's and working with 911 Coordinators.

## **HAZARDS OF MARIJUANA GROW OPERATIONS AND BUTANE HASH OIL EXTRACTIONS**

Speakers: Clay Haberkorn, Denver (CO) Fire Dept., Asst. Chief of Special Operations  
Dana Brown, Captain HM-1, Houston (TX) Fire Dept.

Description: Over the last several years there has been a nationwide push to legalize both the recreational and medical use of marijuana. This new addition to the American pastime has created a new set of uncontrollable factors for both law enforcement and fire service personnel, including access, entanglement, high voltage and chemical hazards. In addition, booby traps have become increasingly more common at illegal grow operations. An unrealized consequence is the increased use of Butane Hash Oil. The processes, hazards and case studies covered during this workshop are designed to increase the situational awareness of responders. This workshop was originally developed to show historical data and decision-making processes used by the citizens of Colorado, lawmakers and ultimately the Federal government.

## **HIGHLY INFECTIOUS DISEASE READINESS IN PENNSYLVANIA'S HEALTHCARE FACILITIES: AN OVERVIEW**

Speaker: South Central (PA) Healthcare Coalition Representatives

Description: The session will provide a high level overview of the preparedness efforts that are ongoing in Pennsylvania for patients with highly infectious diseases. The session will focus on readiness initiatives in place for frontline healthcare facilities, treatment centers and transfer processes. The session will be focused toward emergency managers for situational awareness purposes.

## **HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

Speaker: I/A Krista Hoffman, PA Governor's Office of Homeland Security, Homeland Security Exercise Officer

Description: Trafficking in persons is a serious crime and a grave violation of human rights. Every year, thousands of men, women and children fall into the hands of traffickers. Due to the vast network of interstate highways, Pennsylvania is a popular "Pass-Through" state for human trafficking as it provides relatively easy access to major hubs in Ohio, New Jersey, and New York. Communication between the private sector, human services agencies, and law enforcement is a key component in the effort to combat this hideous crime. In this presentation, the audience will be provided indicators as well as questions to ask the patient/victim along with who and where to report the information.

## **KILLING OURSELVES SLOWLY (RESOLVING FIRE EXPOSURE FACTS FROM FICTION)**

Speaker: Christine Baxter, Ph.D., CEO – Emergency Response TIPS, LLC

Description: This course will cover three objectives, including: Resolving fire exposure facts from fiction; using decision support tools to assist in exposure reduction; and, implementation of best practices for minimizing exposure. Scientific studies have been performed over the last decade characterizing the fire smoke in operational environments as it relates to fire suppression, search/rescue, and overhaul. The compilation of this data provides the operator with a more complete picture of the operational environment and the subsequent exposures to toxic combustion byproducts. The large body of data has supported the development of decision support tools and operational guidance to minimize exposure. Implementation best practices will be shared.

### **LOCAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM TASKED WITH ORGANIZING REGIONAL RESPONSE TO CIVIL DISORDER INCIDENT**

Speaker: Lee Williams, Chief – Incident Management Programs, Virginia Dept. of Emergency Management

Description: 2017 was a year of civil disorders in cities across the southern United States as protestors and counter-protestors faced off to challenge the public presence of statues of Confederate Generals. The original point of disagreement typically centered around whether the statues are part of southern history or an affront to marginalized populations and their struggle to gain their civil rights by honoring values and heroes of the Confederacy. Richmond, VA immediately followed the Charlottesville, VA incident and the Regional IMT was tasked with organizing the Public Safety Response. This session will focus upon response strategies and lessons learned from the Richmond, VA event.

### **MANAGING LARGE, COMPLEX AND DYSFUNCTIONAL INCIDENTS – LESSONS LEARNED**

Speaker: Gregory G. Noll, Senior Planning Specialist, South Central Task Force

Description: This workshop will review the challenges in managing large, complex or dysfunctional response scenarios in an “all hazards” response environment. Topics will include the problems, challenges and lessons learned from past incidents and case studies, and possible tools that can be used as part of the Incident Commanders toolbox.

## **NARCAN TRAIN-THE –TRAINER SESSION**

**Speaker:** Dr. Robert Gum, D.O. MPH, Cocciardi & Associates & SCTF Medical Planning Specialist

**Description:** In 2017, more than 72,000 synthetic opioid deaths were recorded in the US, with nearly 6,000 of those deaths in Pennsylvania, one of the highest percentages in the country. To best prepare for the potentiality, the SCTF-R-MRC is offering Opioid Overdose (i.e., NARCAN use) train-the-trainer sessions. This workshop covers (1) opioids and overdoses – appropriate bystander actions; (2) recognizing and responding effectively to an opioid overdose; (3) community member outreach – decreasing drug stigma; and (4) training community members “On-the-Spot.”

## **NFPA 3000, STANDARD FOR PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER AND/OR HOSTILE EVENTS**

**Speaker:** Edward Conlin, Director - Emergency Responder Safety  
National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA

**Description:** This workshop will focus on the application, implementation and use of NFPA (National Fire Protection Association) 3000, a voluntary consensus standard focusing upon active shooter / active assailant response scenarios. Released in spring 2018, the scope of NFPA 3000 is to provide the minimum criteria for the level of competence required for responders organizing, managing, and sustaining an active shooter and/or hostile event preparedness and response program based on the authority having jurisdiction’s function and assessed level of risk. The Technical Committee reflects all elements of the emergency response community, including law enforcement, fire and EMS, healthcare and the community.

## **THE NIGHT THAT I ALMOST JUMPED**

**Speaker:** Matthew A. Giacobelli, BS, NR-P, York Regional EMS

**Description:** A 2017 white paper by the Ruderman Family Foundation revealed that first responders (fire, LE) are more likely to die by suicide than in the line of duty (LODD). First response agencies have a role to play in ensuring the mental health of their personnel, who may experience increased risk of suicide as a result of exposure to traumatic emergencies and related factors, including depression, PTSD and mental illness. Medic Matt Giacobelli will share his personal experiences in dealing with these challenges, and provide insight as to the measures individuals, co-workers and organizations can take to protect the behavioral health of their members.

## **THE PATH TO A SELF-SUSTAINING EXERCISE PROGRAM**

Speaker: Richard Hamm, MEP - SCTF Exercise Program Coordinator  
SCTF Exercise Working Group Members

Description: This workshop will review the critical steps employed pre, trans, and post exercise, which contribute to a successful exercise program. Exercise planning successes and areas for improvement will be examined and discussed. An overview of our Exercise Working Group (EWG) process will be presented and a number of successful members from around the region will be present to share their experiences and best practices that can maximize your local program and help minimize administrative tasks.

Our discussion will include production of planning deliverables. These documents support exercise collaboration, planning, execution, and post exercise follow up and are a requirement for grant program funding. SCTF Policy guidance that outlines the steps required for Homeland Security Grant Program funding of exercises will be summarized.

Pre-requisites: Suggested but not required: (1) Completion of FEMA Course G-146, E-146, L-146 or K-146; (2) Completion of FEMA Courses IS-120C, IS-130A and IS-139. Review program guidance at: <https://hseep.preptoolkit.org>

## **THE DIVERSITY OF PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICERS (PIO'S) IN SOUTH CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA**

Speaker: Duane Hagelgans, PIO Planning Specialist, SCTF and Associate Professor, Millersville University - Center for Disaster Research & Education

Description: The South Central Task Force has public information and public affairs personnel who wear many hats and work and volunteer for a wide range of agencies and organizations. In this double session, SCTF PIO Duane Hagelgans will lead a meeting and discussion on the changing roles and responsibilities of the Public Information Officer in today's political climate coupled with all of the technological changes in media relations and social media. From the need to constantly be providing day-to-day information to an event involving a full blown crisis, this interactive session will provide feedback while soliciting tips and information to share from all participants.

## **PREVENTING / MITIGATING AN ACTIVE SHOOTER INCIDENT**

Speaker: George Giangli, Planning Specialist, SCTF Business, Industry & Infrastructure SC

Description: We often hear if someone wants to come into your facility to shoot people there's not much you can do. This session will discuss proactive measures an organization can take to possibly prevent or at least minimize the loss of life for an active shooter incident. Most of these measures are administrative in nature and will not break your budget.

## **REDEFINING YOUR ENEMY**

Speaker: Bryan Gembusia, President, YYCS Computer Services

Description: Bryan is a local cyber security consultant that will cover cyber security threats to include the latest social engineering, phishing attacks along with hardware hacks. Learn about the most current cyber-attacks targeting organizations. The session will include case studies, trends and attacks in our region. Identifying the latest cyber threats is good but knowing what to do to protect against them is even more important.

## **RESPONDING TO PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCIES AND SUICIDE PREVENTION: DE-ESCALATION STRATEGIES**

Speaker: Ryan Davies, BA, NREMT, Police Liaison - Crisis Intervention Services, Lancaster County Behavioral Health & Development Services

Description: This workshop is meant to teach basic skills utilizable during psychiatric emergencies and crisis'. Often times, it is difficult to have a subject calm down enough to give important information as quickly as possible. This workshop will provide the skills necessary to assist individuals on scene in de-escalating, as well as review basic concepts on suicide prevention.

## **SAME CIRCUS, DIFFERENT CLOWNS**

Speakers: Clay Haberkorn, Denver (CO) Fire Dept., Asst. Chief of Special Operations  
Dana Brown, Captain HM-1, Houston (TX) Fire Dept.

Description: This session is an interactive approach to engage attendees in proactive discussion regarding Near-Miss Events that exist in the North American Fire Service. Ever sit back wonder what it would be like to work as a fire fighter at another department, perhaps in a different State? Or, have you ever thought "If only we had the money and the budget of that department, we would have no issues?" Well, time to face reality. Fires burn the same way in New York City, just as they do in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. "Same Circus, Different Clowns," is a 10,000-foot overview of the North American Fire Service and the hazards and emerging threats we all encounter. The class takes an in-depth look at Near-Miss Reporting and how the "Lesson Learned" from our brothers and sisters can help develop new and leading practices that positively impact fire fighter safety.

## **SCTF MASS CASUALTY INCIDENT FRAMEWORK**

Speakers: Members SCPA Mass Casualty Project Working Group  
Joe Cocciardi, SCTF Medical Planning Specialist  
Steve Lyle, Emergency Health Services Federation (EHSF)  
Scott Mickalonis, South Central PA Healthcare Coalition (SCPA HCC)

Description: On a daily basis, injuries and illnesses are identified, triaged, treated, transported and moved through the pre-hospital and medical services system in South Central Pennsylvania. First responders, hospital personnel and emergency services support groups are technically trained and certified/credentialed to provide services. When, however, the magnitude of an incident(s) presents challenges outside the realm of traditional response actions, specialized procedures or protocol are required. The South Central Pennsylvania Regional Mass Care Incident Response Framework has been developed to navigate this need. The plan addresses the following issues in a manner utilizing limited resources optimally:

- Command and control of MCI, including safety of responders and the public.
- Immediate notification and communications for MCI awareness and needs.
- Flow of public information to the media through Joint Information Center(s).
- Logistics of equipment and pharmaceutical management.
- Behavioral health issues for emergency response personnel and affected citizens.
- Hospital utilization, diversion and alternate care facilities, as well as federal waivers to perform emergent care.
- Scenarios where the majority of victims in a mass casualty event may self-present<sup>[2]</sup> at hospitals or healthcare facilities.
- Nontraditional MCI scenarios where resources are stressed aside from typical initial aid and partners may be needed.

## **SCTF WebEOC UPDATE**

Speakers: Philip A. Colvin, Director, Lancaster County EMA  
Daniel Scully, Deputy Director, Lancaster County EMA  
Mary Johnston, SCTF IT Working Group Planning Specialist

Description: This session will focus on knowledge transfer about several new and updated WebEOC boards and how SCTF County users are making use of the boards. During the past year, several new boards have been developed and added to the SCTF WebEOC. This session will be of interest to WebEOC users within the SCTF region as well as people outside the region or from State Agencies who would like to learn more about the range of boards (applications) that are available for managing incidents and other county / SCTF activities in the region. New or updated boards to be reviewed include: Road Closure Board, York County CARE Board, Shelters Board, Situation Log, Notification and Resource and the new Incident Log (still under development).

## **SPECIAL EVENT PLANNING FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM SIZED DEPARTMENTS**

Speaker: William L. Harvey – Police Chief, Ephrata Police Dept., Member – SCTF AHIMT

Description: A local emergency manager, fire or police officer may be tasked to prepare for a local planned public event within their jurisdiction. The small / medium sized community will have to prepare to ensure community safety and consider potential contingent events that may occur within or due to the special event. This workshop will provide tools and ideas from the first-timer to the experienced Incident Commander with the planning process leading towards the development of an Incident Support Plan (ISP). Suggested processes for determining responsibilities, liabilities and legal requirements will also be discussed.

## **UAV'S IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL TASK FORCE: A PANEL DISCUSSION**

Speakers: Philip A. Colvin, Director, Lancaster County EMA  
Dan Scully, Deputy Director, Lancaster County EMA  
Rodney Sonderman, Hershey Fire Co.  
Matt Randolph, Ephrata Borough PD  
Jonathan Anshutz, PEMA

Description: The use of small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS) in the public safety community is growing exponentially. With the proliferation of sUAS into mainstream operations across multiple disciplines, public safety agencies at all levels of government are looking to harness the tremendous capabilities of sUAS to support their respective operations. Since sUAS operations require specific policies and procedures to support their use, appropriate equipment, and trained operators, the cost for each agency to stand up their own internal capability is prohibitive, especially for agencies which don't envision using sUAS on a regular basis. The SCTF UAV Working Group is looking at the development of a regional program to leverage state and local resources and develop standard training and operational policies. This panel will consist of Working Group members, as well as representatives from surrounding jurisdictions and organizations with existing programs, and will focus on existing programs and the Working Group's progress to date.

## **USE OF DRONES AND DRONE TECHNOLOGY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Speaker: Ron Stanko, Deputy Director, PA Governors Office of Homeland Security

Description: This session will focus on the use of drones and related technology specifically for law enforcement applications, including special events. Topics will include a review of the federal legislation related to the application and use of drone technology, and the use of defensive drone technology at mass gathering events.