

n. Hospital Evacuations Procedures

Texas hospital will request assets and/or additional assistance through the processes outlined in the State of Texas Emergency Management Plan.

If a hospital's evacuation plan(s) fails and needs assistance with a destination location, transportation assets, supplies and/or staff to complete an evacuation, the hospital should follow the below process:

- 1) The hospital in question will notify the local Emergency Operations Center (EOC) of jurisdictional authority.
- 2) If the local EOC/OEM is unable to meet the needs of the hospital, the local EOC/OEM will contact the regional medical operations center (RMOC), Trauma Service Area (TSA), or the Multi-Agency Coordination Group (MACG), as applicable and appropriate for the jurisdiction and consistent with the local emergency operations plan.
- 3) If the MACG and/or RMOC/TSA are unable to meet the needs or it is not operational, the RMOC/TSA will contact the DSHS Multi Agency Coordination Center (MACC).
- 4) The DSHS Multi-Agency Coordination Center (MACC) is a support function of the SOC and will be responsible for coordinating patient movement using the following process:
 - a) The MACC through the RMOC/TSAs will determine hospital bed availability by an electronic bed reporting process.
 - b) The MACC through the evacuating RMOC/TSAs will determine a list of hospital patients by bed type and a list of assets that are available to assist with the evacuation.
 - c) The MACC will coordinate patient movement/evacuation through the RMOC(s) or TSAs.
 - d) The MACC will contact the receiving RMOC(s) or TSAs and inform them of the total number of patients that will be moved/evacuated from one region to another.
 - e) The receiving RMOC(s) or TSAs, through the MACC, will be informed of the patients by bed type.
 - f) The RMOC(s) or TSAs will be the responsible entity for coordinating patient movement and patient distribution to area hospitals between RMOC(s)/TSAs.
 - g) The receiving RMOC/TSA will report back to the MACC the proposed patient destinations.
 - h) The MACC will coordinate/collaborate with the air/ground deployment teams to determine and establish available transportation resources.
 - i) The MACC will report to the evacuation hospital, via the evacuating RMOC/TSA, the transportation information and patient destination.

Bed Availability (Hospitals)

