CENTRAL REGION
800 MHz Trunked Regional Public Safety Radio System
Standards, Protocols, Procedures

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1. Purpose or Objective

To establish policy & procedures for use of CM Regional clear mode discipline specific talk groups. These regional talk groups are intended to facilitate communications between entities within disciplines that typically do not communicate with each other on a regular basis/daily basis.

2. Technical Background

- **Capabilities**

It is possible to have access to one or more regional discipline specific talk groups in radios used by agencies that share use of the ARMER radio system. These talk groups can be used for a wide range of intercommunication when coordination of activities between personnel and entities is needed in an event.

- **Constraints**

CM-EMS-HAIL, EMH-CMHSP, and EMH-WCHSP shall not be encrypted.

3. Operational Context

Regional discipline specific talk groups are a system wide resource to facilitate communications between entities within disciplines that typically do not communicate with each other on a regular basis.

4. Recommended Protocol/ Standard

CM-EMS-HAIL

TG Requirements	For Whom?
Highly Recommended	All Ambulance Services In Central Region
Recommended	
Optional	PSAP's
Not Allowed	

2.

Cross Patch Standard	YES / NO	To Talk Group
Soft Patch	YES	Any local, regional, or State Clear mode talkgroups authorized to be allowed to be patched
Hard Patch	No	

EMH-CMHSP

TG Requirements	For Whom?
Highly Recommended	All Central Region Hospital Preparedness Personnel (health care and local public health).
Recommended	Emergency Management
Optional	PSAP's
Not Allowed	

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Cross Patch Standard	YES / NO	To Talk Group
Soft Patch	YES	Any local, regional, or State Clear mode talkgroups authorized to be allowed to be patched
Hard Patch	No	

EMH-WCHSP

TG Requirements	For Whom?
Highly Recommended	All West Central Regions Hospital Preparedness Personnel (health care and local public health)
Recommended	Emergency Management
Optional	PSAP's
Not Allowed	

Cross Patch Standard	YES / NO	To Talk Group
Soft Patch	YES	Any local, regional, or State Clear mode talkgroups authorized to be allowed to be patched
Hard Patch	No	

Logging of CM Regional discipline specific talkgroups will be the responsibility of each entity using the talk groups.

CM-EMSHAIL, EMH-CMHSP, and EMH-WCHSP may be programmed in PSAPs.

Entity radio users programming the CM Regional Discipline Specific Talkgroups into their subscribers (radio) shall utilize the Syntax as it appears below:

SYNTAX	**Utilization**
CM-EMSHAIL	Regional Ambulance Services
EMH-CMHSP	Central Regional Hospital Preparedness
EMH-WCHSP	West Central Regional Hospital Preparedness

5. Recommended Procedure

CM-EMSHAIL talkgroup is designed as a non monitored and non assignable talkgroup for interagency hailing for intercepts and brief interagency coordination for Ambulance Services in the central region. It is recommended to be in all mobile and portables for ambulance services in the central region. CM-EMSHAIL is not intended nor should it be used for first response to ambulance communications or hospital to ambulance communications. CM-EMSHAIL is not intended to replace or be used for actual events where a CM Regional or State interoperability talkgroup should be used.

EMH-CMHSP is designed as a non monitored talkgroup for Hospital to Hospital, Hospital to Local Public Health, and Health Multiagency communications during an incident and as redundancy to the existing communication pathways. Participants will be notified to monitor or use this talkgroup through other communication methods (e.g., phone call, MNTrac).

EMH-WCHSP is designed as a non monitored talkgroup for Hospital to Hospital, Hospital to Local Public Health, and Health Multiagency communications during an incident and as redundancy to the existing communication pathways. Participants will be notified to monitor or use this talkgroup through other communication methods (e.g., phone call, MNTrac).

All may be patched to another CLEAR MODE talk group to meet the communications needs of an event.

6. Management

The CMESB System Administrator will be responsible for managing the CM Regional talkgroups

Responsibility for monitoring performance, and modification, of this procedure shall be a function of the agencies using this resource.

Eligibility to allow these talk groups within radios is the responsibility of the CMESB. Authorization for their programmed use will be supported by the CMESB upon request and documentation provided by the requesting agency.