Technical Council Meeting
May 14, 2014   1:00 – 3:00
SHA OOTS – SOC Training Room* or
Phone/Online Access (See page 2)

I.   Introductions/Sign-In Sheet
-    Meetings commenced at 1:06pm
-    Jackie Milani brought registration forms for the MD Traffic Records Forum on May 29, 2014

II.   Approval of Minutes
-    No objections or corrections to the minutes

III.   TRCC Administrative Updates
-    TRCC Executive Council will meet tomorrow and approve the updated Charter.
-    Meeting structure will change slightly after that.
-    Technical Council will elect a Chair to run the meetings and serve as a liaison to the Executive Council. There will be term limits and Doug Mowbray is not eligible to serve as Chair. Please consider filling this role. A system will have to be devised in case someone does not volunteer.
-    Please register for the MD Traffic Records Forum or designate someone in your place. It is an invite-only event, so please work with Jackie Milani if you haven't been invited.

IV.   Updates from Data Owners
   a. E-Citation (District Court)
       i. Brian Browne – month of October saw 97,000+ tickets as more agencies sign on to use E-TIX (about 5-6 in the process of getting certified with MSP)
       ii. Baltimore City – traffic unit is getting involved in E-TIX, but patrol is not ready
   b. MSCAN (SHA)
       i. Gary Klein reported that they are continuing to plan development, but waiting for access to personal identifying information (PII) from MSP before moving forward.
   c. Law Enforcement Data Collection (MSP)
       i. E-TIX
           1. No update from MSP
       ii. ACRS
           1. No update from MSP
       iii. eMAARS
           1. Ida Williams reported that eMAARS is up-to-date. In the old system, data entry personnel had up to 400-500 reports daily and are back to that level.
       iv. FARS > ACRS Fatal Crash Reports
           1. No update from MSP, Doug Mowbray reported that 2014 fatality counts are lower than the 2013 figure at this time and the year's projection is also lower.
           2. John New discussed the role of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) in FARS data collection and entry. If the OCME was able to pass the EMS runsheet number to MIEMSS, it would help facilitate the inclusion of EMS data into FARS (timeliness and accuracy). MSP Central Records Division receives BAC levels from the OCME and also shares with the FARS analyst.

V.   Subcommittees
   a. GIS
      Mike Sheffer reported that the committee is moving along well and planning for the
      MD Traffic Records Forum (there will be two sessions from members of the
      subcommittee). That has been the main focus of late. There has been discussion
      about MAP-21 and its components. There was a webinar presentation from
      Corporal Mujaihid Jones on the ACRS data collection system. That session was
      recorded and will be made available on the TRCC website. Gary Klein and Mike
      Sheffer discussed the roadway inventory tool that's being developed in SHA to be
      incorporated into ACRS. There will be a presentation about that to the GIS Sub-
      committee.

VI.   Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Data Coordinator Update
      Cindy Burch shared a data product that inserted 5-year crash trends into the current
      SHSP matrix. Jackie Milani explained how behavioral surveys are being used to
      capture information beyond the crash data to evaluate the SHSP. Bill Macleod
      explained that the new MAP-21 requirements (currently under review by the DOT)
      will affect the goals and the goal-setting methodology for the SHSP (serious injuries,
      rates, etc.) and the comment period will end on June 9. Breck Jeffers explained the
      process of rulemaking on the federal level and said that Maryland is in a good
      position with regards to data and cycle of SHSP updates for when the final rule will
      be released.

VII. Updates from TR Grantees
   a. MCTSA (NSC)
      i. Cindy Burch explained that the NSC has been working on the MD Traffic
         Records Forum and the upcoming Traffic Records Assessment. The
         Assessment kick-off meeting will be on August 4, 2014. The NSC has also
         been supporting the MHSO in writing their Highway Safety Plan, but is still
         waiting for 2013 crash report data. Jackie Milani discussed a Lifesavers
         Conference poster that Abree Johnson created using Baltimore City
         pedestrian crash data (using SHA, Baltimore City DOT, and MIEMSS data).
         Frank Murphy from the Baltimore City DOT will approve the use and release
         of City spatial analyses. Doug Mowbray discussed updating StreetSmart
         target locations and Bala Akundi said that, to do so, the information should
         be provided to the Baltimore Metropolitan Council by the beginning of
         August.
   b. eMEDS (MIEMSS)
      i. John New shared further information about the pedestrian crash analysis
         conducted by Abree Johnson. He explained that the Baltimore City EMS
         agency provided data for the analysis, showing that local agencies are a
         valuable source and researchers do not need to rely entirely on state
         agencies. He also explained that the Baltimore City EMS agency reports on
         pedestrian incidents to the Mayor's Office every two weeks. Bala Akundi and
         the rest of the TRCC are interested in that data-sharing. John New reported
         that Montgomery County has been delayed to late summer/early fall to join
         eMEDS, so 23 of the 24 jurisdictions are on the state platform. Montgomery
         County is focused on owning their data and entering into an agreement
         directly with ImageTrend instead of going through MIEMSS; Howard County
         may follow suit if it is successful. Somerset County now has a CAD contract
         with MIEMSS, leaving Wicomico as the last jurisdiction to get into a CAD
         contract.

      c. Washington College
   - i. Erica McMaster discussed the impaired driving grant, SPIDRE. They are finalizing analyses now that the first year is complete and also working with Prince George's County. Ian Tangert explained an analysis of 2013 E-TIX data from Prince George's County. Washington College is providing monthly reports and trend analyses to PG County for evaluation purposes. Results from that analysis were presented as a poster at the Lifesavers Conference. They are working to expand those efforts into Anne Arundel County. They also hope to have 2009-2011 Baltimore City geo-located data back to SHA and the NSC in the near future.

VIII.   Special Presentations

      Jackie Milani explained that, after the new Charter is signed by the Executive Council, data partners, SHSP data coordinators, and subcommittees will be asked to give presentations to the Technical Council. Mike Sheffer volunteered to provide a roadway presentation on July 9, 2014. Cindy Burch also agreed to give an SHSP data update at a future meeting.

      a. District Court
   - i. Mary Hutchins from the District Court provided a presentation on MDEC (MarylanD Electronic Courts). The presentation will be attached to these minutes.

IX.   Open Discussion

      No discussion

X.   Upcoming Meetings
   - a. Maryland Traffic Records Forum: May 29, 2014
   - b. Executive Council: May 15 (MVA) 1pm – 3pm
   - c. Technical Council: July 9 (SHA) 1pm – 3pm

XI.   Adjourn

      Meeting adjourned at 2:27 pm.

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Acronyms

ACRS: Automated Crash Reporting System

eMAARS: Enhanced Maryland Automated Accident Reporting System

eMEDS: Electronic Maryland EMS Data System

E-TIX: Electronic Traffic Information Exchange

FARS: Fatality Analysis Reporting System

FFY: Federal Fiscal Year

GIS: Geographic Information System

MAP-21: Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century

MCTSA: Maryland Center for Traffic Safety Analysis

MHSO: Maryland Highway Safety Office

MIEMSS: Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems

MOU: Memorandum of Understanding

MSCAN: Maryland Safety and Crash Analysis Network

MSP: Maryland State Police

MVA: Motor Vehicle Administration

NEMSIS: National Emergency Medical Services Information System

NHTSA: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

NSC: National Study Center

OCME: Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

SHA: State Highway Administration

SHARP: Safe Highways Application and Reporting Program

SHSP: Strategic Highway Safety Plan

TRIPRS: Traffic Records Information Program Reporting System

TRSP: Traffic Records Strategic Plan