



First Responder Network Authority Weekly Update to the State and Territory Single Points of Contact (SPOC) – October 23, 2017

FirstNet News

- FirstNet Chief Customer Officer Rich Reed announced the completion of FirstNet's tribal consultation policy <<https://firstnet.gov/consultation/tribes>> last week in a general assembly session at the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) 74th Annual Convention & Marketplace in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The FirstNet tribal team also provided FirstNet updates to several of the group's sub-committees and met separately with leaders of the National Indian Gaming Association.
- FirstNet was also in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania last week to take part in a series of law enforcement conferences, including the Major Cities Chiefs Association (MCCA) Fall Meeting, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Annual Conference, and the Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) Town Hall. TJ Kennedy, FirstNet CEO Mike Poth, and FirstNet staff provided FirstNet updates, spoke in breakout sessions, staffed a booth, and held individual meetings with a number of stakeholders. FirstNet participation at IACP wraps up today.
- FirstNet Board member Kevin McGinnis provided a FirstNet update at the International Roundtable for Community Paramedicine Conference last week in Las Vegas, Nevada. Also in Las Vegas last week, FirstNet staff presented a FirstNet update at a general session of EMS World, attended the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) Affiliate Advisory Council Meeting, and staffed a booth.
- FirstNet staff also presented to a full plenary session and staffed a booth at the Air Medical Transport Conference last week in Fort Worth, Texas.
- Also last week, FirstNet President TJ Kennedy and FirstNet staff were in Berlin, Germany to discuss the development of wireless public safety networks with several members of the European Union member states.
- This week, FirstNet will participate in the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Annual Conference in San Antonio, Texas; the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) Atlantic Chapter Conference in Rockport, Maine; the Nebraska APCO/NENA Conference in Lincoln; the Virginia Public Safety Communications Conference & Expo in Roanoke; the National Association of State 9-1-1 Administrators Fall Meeting in Estero, Florida; a meeting with area police officials in Fairfield, Maine; the New York State Vital Signs EMS Conference in Rochester, New York; a meeting of the Northwest Tribal Emergency Management Council Board in Arlington, Washington; a meeting of the Eastern Shore Communications Alliance in Denton, Maryland; a Pacific Island SPOC meeting and the Hawaii Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan meeting in Honolulu; the WashingtonExec Dinner in Vienna, Virginia; a meeting with York County fire chiefs in York, Maine; the South Dakota EMS Association Annual Conference in Spearfish, South Dakota; and Michigan Public Safety Broadband Forums in Bay City and Gaylord.
- Last week, FirstNet posted one new blog: How FirstNet Will Make Mobile Officer Programs a Reality <<https://firstnet.gov/newsroom/blog/how-firstnet-will-make-mobile-officer-programs-reality>> (originally posted on PoliceOne.com).

News from the PSAC

- Last week, several PSAC associations and representatives participated in an advisory group discussion with FirstNet around app development for public safety.
- The PSAC Executive Committee (EC) monthly teleconference is on Monday, October 23.

Media Watch

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Financial News 10/20: FirstNet, AT&T launch public safety developer program

<http://www.financial-news.co.uk/44147/2017/10/firstnet-atampt-launch-public-safety-developer-program/>
FirstNet and AT&T launched the first developer program geared toward America's first responders, the companies said. This will encourage public safety-focused innovation to help equip first responders with state-of-the-art communications tools. It also brings public safety closer to having their own app store where they can find new solutions purpose-built for their needs.

Times Observer 10/18: First responders may benefit from FirstNet wireless service

<http://www.timesobserver.com/news/local-news/2017/10/first-responders-may-benefit-from-firstnet-wireless-service/>

A new wireless service could be coming to Pennsylvania that would make sure first responders have priority access. That new wireless network – dubbed FirstNet – was enacted by Congress in 2012. “It is the first broadband network that is dedicated to first responders,” said Christian Peck, AT&T principle consultant, to the Warren County Commissioners on Monday

EMS1 10/18: FirstNet applications for EMS connectivity, situational awareness (by FirstNet Board member Kevin McGinnis)

<https://www.ems1.com/ems-products/communications/articles/336408048-FirstNet-applications-for-EMS-connectivity-situational-awareness/>

FirstNet, the high-speed wireless network dedicated to public safety, is on the cusp of improving emergency responder access to real-time data about patient status, vehicle damage and resource availability. Kevin McGinnis, FirstNet board member, described the potential applications for EMS in an education session at EMS World Expo.

Web and Social Media

FirstNet's social media presence grew at its normal rate this week. Twitter gained 75 new followers, now at 7,828. Facebook has 1,903 followers. LinkedIn now has 3,153 followers. YouTube has 588 subscribers.

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