

US Consumer Product Safety Commission Log of Meeting

Subject: National Carbon Monoxide Awareness Association (NCOAA) Meeting

Date: March 15 and 16, 2023

Location: San Antonio, TX and Virtual

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CPSC Attendees: Scott Ayers (virtually)

Non-CPSC Attendees:

Contact NCOAA for a list of attendees

Summary of Meeting:

Contact the NCOAA for details of the meeting.

The NCOAA held a meeting in San Antonio, TX to discuss various topics, including the development of a response guidance to carbon monoxide poisonings. Staff monitored multiple meetings and participated in discussions related to a CPSC guideline published around 2001, “Responding to Residential Carbon Monoxide Incidents.”

During discussions, staff shared a perspective that responders to CO incidents should not assume CO alarms are not properly functioning if no CO is found. Responders should first assume that the CO source is intermittent and work with the residents to locate possible CO sources like faulty appliances or external sources like generators or other engine driven tools. Staff also discussed false alarms caused by charging nickel-iron batteries frequently used in golf carts; at this time staff has no recommendation for those situations.

The NCOAA made no future plans for meetings on this topic.