
MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES
State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services

MEETING SUMMARY
CONFIDENTIAL PEER REVIEW
MEETING DATE: March 26, 2019

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on March 26, 2019 at 1230 pm at Jefferson City, Truman Building, Room 490-492 with Dr. Lynthia Andrews presiding. A quorum was present.

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS: Mark Alexander, Dr. Lynthia Andrews, Ben Chlapek, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Ruby Mehrer, Wally Patrick, Helen Sandkuhl, Sam Schneider, Dr. David K. Tan.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Lynthia Andrews Chair; Mark Alexander; Ben Chlapek; Ruby Mehrer; Helen Sandkuhl, Dr. David Tan (by phone).

ABSENT: Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick; Sam Schneider.

ATTENDEES: Patricia Casey,(SSM-Cardinal Glennon); Susan Crum,(Cox);Brian Dixon(CMH); Chuck Doss, (Boone Co Fire); Christy Dresser (Children's -Mercy); Joshua Dugal,(Cardinal Glennon); Dr. Carl Freeman,(SSM-SLUH); Dr. Brian Froelke, Wash U; Dr. David Gustafson,(Reg A Chair and multiple EMS agencies); Dr. Dee Hodge, SLCH/Wash U; Pam Jackson, (St. Luke's-KC); Mike Latta, KCMO FD; Debbie Leoni, Southeast Health; Sarah Lubbert, MO Exec Dir.; Chris Mattes, Mercy Life Line; Art Maxwell, NTA Amb; Marvin Mantle (Mercy); Kat Probst,(Adair Amb); Nicholas Salzman, Cardinal Glennon; Dr. Jeff Siegler, Wash U; Debbie Stark, SLH-KC; Dr. Joshua Stilley(MUHC) by phone; Kevin Tweedy, SEMA/DMAT; Jason White, (MARC).

DHSS Staff: David Lanigan, Terry Ellsworth

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:30 pm. Self-introductions were completed.

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
I. Review of Minutes			
A. Approval of Minutes November 2018, Jan and Feb 2019	<i>Ben Chlapek moved to approve the Nov. 2018, Jan 2019 and Feb 2019 minutes. Mark Alexander seconded. Motion passed.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.	Board members reminded to either attend in person or via phone for a quorum.
II. Subcommittee Reports			
Pediatrics Subcommittee Patricia Casey, Vice Chair	<p>Trish reported the pediatric subcommittee met jointly with EMSC today.</p> <p>Telemedicine is becoming a focus.</p> <p>Proper restraints in ambulances for pediatric patients continues to be a work in progress. Improvements are needed but there are successes as well. Recently an ambulance transporting a pediatric patient was involved in a wreck. The child was properly restrained and was not injured in the wreck.</p> <p>Guidelines for pediatric care are being reviewed.</p> <p>The committee will not add any new projects until current ones are completed.</p> <p>Dr. Froelke has been working on a model to support the special needs initiatives. Other states are watching Missouri as infrastructure for the project is built and EMS medical directors are empowered.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews asked about the progress on the generic form EMS would use when dealing with children with special medical needs. Trish said they were having difficulty in developing that form and be able to guarantee its accuracy.</p> <p>Dr. Dee Hodge said the complexity of the health needs for children with numerous medical problems made a generic form difficult to develop.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews will check to see if ACEP might have developed such a form. This project may have to be tabled for a period of time.</p>	<p>Trish Casey will continue to steer the committee to include the statewide Special Medical Needs Form.</p> <p>Patricia Casey and Liz Kendrick will continue to coordinate both EMSC and the Pediatric Subcommittee meetings.</p>	<p>See attached flyer and share with EMS agencies.</p>

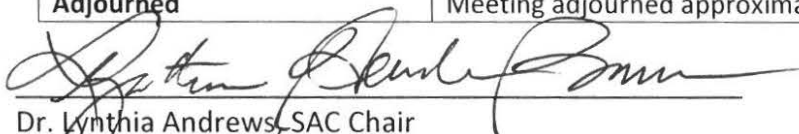
<p>B. Trauma Subcommittee Dr. David Gustafson, Chair</p>	<p>Dr. Gustafson reporting as Chairperson of the Trauma Committee: No meeting this month due to conferences being held.</p>		
<p>C. Legislative Subcommittee Mark Alexander</p>	<p>Mark Alexander said the proposed bills the legislative committee has worked on are available on DHSS website. AED deregulation bill proposes no medical director or training in order to use an AED on a person. A bill proposing Lagers retirement age be the same for EMS as it is for fire and police. TCD rules and regulations committee is trying to change some of the prescriptive nature of the regulations. Wording is being crafted so all TCD disease processes could be included. The goal is to allow flexibility so medical changes can happen without needing regulations to be changed.</p>		<p>Please see attached Bills.</p>
<p>D. Education Subcommittee Chuck Doss, Chair</p>	<p>Chuck Doss reporting. HB 907 Paramedic Practitioner good discussion. Passed out of committee as do pass. Dr. Andrews asked if this could be a career ladder for paramedics? Chuck said there are national discussions on education and requirements for paramedics. Helen Sandkuhl said we need to invite Rep Roden to talk about the bill/issue. Discussion included how to fund and how to meet the shortages coming up for paramedics and nurses. Dr. Andrews reminded us that Dr. Braithwaite said we need something accepted universally not just for Missouri if Paramedic Practitioner is developed.</p>	<p>Next meeting is April 17th conference call at noon. Chuck will send out the notice.</p> <p>Late note: Rep. Roden accepted the invitation and will attend SAC in April</p>	

<p>E. Air Ambulance Subcommittee Ruby Mehrer, Chair</p>	<p>Ruby Mehrer reported Air Amb. met this morning before SAC. Discussion included the 2015 Native Air Ambulance crash in Arizona and the survival skills practiced by the by the paramedic. Both the nurse and pilot were killed. Several programs had already used the crash as a teaching experience. Other discussion was around the pending legislative bills in MO. If the bills pass air programs will not receive direct payments from insurance companies. Instead the money will be paid to the patient. In network payment levels will be forced on air ambulances. Another bill would eliminate the air ambulance programs membership services, Other states systems tracking utilization and medical necessity was discussed. Oklahoma programs call in after a flight to give certain information that goes into the OK trauma data base. Arkansas is well funded with a tobacco tax. Their Trauma Con will assist with resources if requested but the flight crew does not have to follow the suggestions. Trauma wrist bands with unique numbers are applied immediately and are tracked throughout the patient visit. Neither state seems to have what some in Missouri are envisioning (a system that includes determining medical necessity before a helicopter is used).</p>		
<p>F. Emergency Management Wally Patrick, Chair</p>	<p>Wally Patrick Absent. No report.</p>		
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<p>III. Regional Subcommittee Reports</p>			
<p>A. Northwest</p>	<p>Art Maxwell reported no meetings Feb and March. Next meeting is in April.</p>		
<p>B. Central</p>	<p>John Clemons reported at the last Central Region meeting committee chairs were appointed. The most recent meeting scheduled was cancelled because it conflicted with an educational conference.</p>	<p>Next meeting scheduled for May.</p>	
<p>C. Southwest</p>	<p>Mark Alexander said the TCD group met first at the SW</p>		

	<p>Region meeting. There was a presentation on trauma and pregnancy from trauma surgery.</p>		
D. Southeast	<p>Debbie Leoni said there is a TCD Conference June 28th in Sikeston.</p>	Next meeting April 12	
E. East Central	<p>Helen Sandkuhl reported EC met MARCH 8. They have one vacant position. Stroke scales were reviewed. Website being worked on for EC Dr. Braithwaite said need to be more formal with recommendations to SAC Survey was sent to EMS, Nurse Coordinator, Emg Dept asking what things matter most in your role so a needs assessment can be generated. 20 people responded, 2 medics, 6 docs, 12 nurses. Information transferred between entities must be HIPAA compliant as well as to provide other info. Vendors will be invited to come to a future meeting and EC committee members will recommend to the hospitals which software to buy. Helen said many hospitals in East Central use ESO now.</p>	Next meeting April 12 at 1:30 at West County Fire	
F. Region A	<p>Dr. Gustafson reporting. Met March 4th. Lots of agencies have moved to systems NEMSIS 3 compliant. Can't get it into state data base so can't get info from state. ESO can contribute information. Ben Chlapek followed up the question about state wide integration of NEMSIS. Terry Ellsworth said he was hopeful but skeptical. Past two weeks the vendor has not been responsive. Still working on getting the data elements together for the state. For a period of time both NEMSIS 2 and 3 will be accepted. Agencies will have to be N3 if they don't want to use the MARS system. State provided hardware earlier. Will not be providing money for upgrade for N3 but will maintain the MARS system so poor agencies can continue with that system of reporting. Ben expressed appreciation to Terry and BEMS for prompt</p>	Next Meeting May 6 2pm CJC	

	issuance of licenses		
G. Regional EMS Medical Directors -Dr. Sabina Braithwaite	<p>Dr. Braithwaite reported Mark Alexander discussed the treat, no transport changes. Reimbursement may start in fall. Will be reaching out to other states that have used this before. Concerned the refusals (refuses transport once treatment rendered) will increase.</p> <p>Discussed proper use of air ambulance utilization. Need data from air ambulances on utilization. What does current data show on utilization? Dr. Braithwaite wants air programs to send her the data they have on utilization. Also looked at rural vs urban transfers. The goal is to create a system that helps with appropriate used of helicopter air ambulances.</p> <p>The committee also talked about career ladder for paramedics</p> <p>Next month Dr. Carney will call in to report about CIT training.</p>	Dr. Braithwaite will continue to report committee activity at SAC meetings.	
		Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
Center for Patient Safety Lee Varner	Lee Varner in Denver for Safety Summit. CJCFPD will host CPS for conference. Morning is for everyone and afternoon is for members only.		Please contact Shelby regarding any questions.
Old Business:			
HB 907	Paramedic Practitioners. Further discussion (see EC above).		
Missouri Interstate Compact	Terry Ellsworth reported the EMS Compact Rules document is being circulated for comment. Just getting organizational things done. Next meeting is mid-May.		
DMAT	Kevin Tweedy reported DMAT now under SEMSA SL and KC DMAT centers are closed.		

Observation	<p>Have about 180 people participating Rapid response of mobile hospital handled through SEMA Kevin invited people to tour the SEMA Emg management Funded thru ASPR grant.</p> <p>Sarah Lubbert MOCEP, TCD committee was introduced. She indicated attending today gave her more background info on SAC and its responsibilities.</p>		
New Business			
Dr. Tan	<p>NAEMSP and NAEMT discussing drug shortages.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews asked Dr. Tan to review the paramedic career ladder legislation</p>		
Next Meeting	Next meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2019 at the Truman Building in Jefferson City, Missouri	An agenda will be sent prior to the next meeting.	
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned approximately 1:38 pm		


 Dr. Lynthia Andrews, SAC Chair
 Summary respectfully prepared by Ruby Mehrer

Date Approved 4-24-19