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

Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman, Chair

MEETING SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: June 28 , 2022

Virtual Only Meeting

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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, Sam Schneider, Dr. David K, Tan. Helen Sandkuhl.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Lynthia Andrews, Chair; Mark Alexander, Ruby Mehrer, Helen Sandkuhl, Dr. David Tan

Board Members Absent: Ben Chlapek, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick, Sam Schneider

ATTENDEES: Megan Ashlock, Mercy SL; Lori Beck, BJC; Carrie Chismarich, SSM DePaul; Josh Creamer, MU EMS; Susan Crum, Cox Air Care; Chuck Doss, MU Health; Christy Dressler, CMH-KC; Justin Duncan; Washington Co AD; Mark Flauter, Florissant Valley FPD; Joshua Freeman, Ozark Technical College; Dr. Brian Froelke, Wash U and E. Central Med Dir; Dr. David Gustafson, Medical Director of Multiple EMS; Brandi Henson; Jason Hesman, Air Methods; Liz Kendrick, EMSC; Mike Latta, KCFD; Debbie Leoni, SE Health; CMH-KC; Chris Mattes, Mercy Life Line; Paula McBride, Cass Regional Med Ctr; Tracy McDonald, HCA Midwest; Tom Modin, St. Luke's KC; Kayla Riel, CARES; Alli Riley, SE Health; Lisa Scanlan; Brian Schmelig; Heather Scruton, CMH-KC; David Seastrom, CMH-KC; Dr. Jeffery Siegler, Wash U; Maria Stiffler, SE Health; Jason White MARC-KC; Virginia Wilson, UMKC EMS Educ; Sarah Willson, MO Hosp. Assoc.; Trevor Wolfe, Mercy St. Louis

DHSS Staff: Taz Meyer, BEMS Chief, Steve Bollin, Katherine Crockett; Michelle Harbert Natrice Romeo

Note: If you attended but are not reflected on the attendees list, please email ruby@lifeflighteagle.org for correction.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:32 pm by Chair Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman. A quorum was in attendance.

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendations /Actions
Approval of Minutes	Mark Alexander <i>moved to approve the May 24,2022 meeting minutes. Second by Dr. Tan. Motion carried.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.
Subcommittee Reports		
Pediatrics Subcommittee Patricia Casey, Chair	No meeting this month. For info contact Trish Casey: Patricia.Casey@ssmhealth.com Pediatric Subcommittee meets same day SAC in midmorning.	
Trauma Subcommittee Dr. Dustin Neel, Chair	No meeting this month. Trauma Subcommittee Chair is Dr. Dustin Neel dustin.neel@tmcmed.org Pam Jackson pjackson@saint-lukes.org Contact directly for meeting information	

Legislative Subcommittee Mark Alexander, Chair	<p>Mark Alexander reported the TCD bill will be signed by the Governor Thursday, June 30.</p> <p>Waiting for proposed Data Collection regulation to be reviewed by DHSS legal.</p> <p>Medical Directors regulation—waiting on feedback from the Regional Medical Directors regarding the EMS Medical Director course requirements.</p> <p>RMark.Alexander@coxhealth.com or jason.white3254@gmail.com</p> <p>Legislative Subcommittee meetings usually same day as SAC—in midmorning.</p>	<p>Still</p>
Education Subcommittee Chuck Doss, Chair	<p>National Registry resolution 22-13 would eliminate the current requirement of paramedics graduating from an accredited school in order to take the NR cognitive test as a step towards licensure. Comment period ends mid August. Discussion included:</p> <p>There is a history of elevating paramedic education by requiring accreditation of programs</p> <p>EMS for the Future included accreditation in its discussion</p> <p>Jason White said the process is concerning. Usually don't have hot topics come up in the summer vacation month. Some think it is a real step backwards.</p> <p>Question of the impact on the Interstate Compact efforts.</p> <p>Chuck Doss said CoA (accrediting group) has become cumbersome—NR resolution may be a reflection of that frustration.</p> <p>Jason White said a number of people were reflecting CoA has become clunky and bureaucratic.</p> <p>Dr. Froelke said NASEMSO met the week after the NR resolution was released. The word betrayal was used to describe how NASEMSO members felt when it was apparent, they had not been consulted before the resolution was released.</p> <p>There was a question if this could have a political motivation.</p> <p>Also, why does CoA have the market cornered on accrediting the schools.</p> <p>Jason White indicated MARCER, Region A (aka West Central) will be considering responses to NREMT.</p> <p>Further discussion will take place July 20th at the next Education Subcommittee meeting.</p> <p>For info contact Chuck Doss: cdoss@health.missouri.edu</p> <p>Educ. Subcommittee meets 3rd Wednesdays at noon by conf call. Agendas and call info posted on https://health.mo.gov/safety/ems/</p>	
Air Ambulance Subcommittee Ruby Mehrer, Chair	<p>The air ambulance subcommittee met this morning. The response to the Amtrak Train wreck in Mendon MO June 27th was discussed. 16 air ambulances were requested to respond. Not all of them landed at the scene and some that did land, did not take a patient. However, the response was coordinated and smooth. Several patients were transported by air.</p> <p>Air Ambulance Utilization document reviewed by the Regional Medical Directors Subcommittee and accepted.</p>	

	<p>One suggestion was to add the time/distance graphic that was in the NAEMSP article that framed the utilization piece. The graphic identified when it became useful to alert an air ambulance based on distance and time. The air ambulance subcommittee wanted to review the graphic and will respond after their next meeting.</p> <p>No response from the 911 group on Air Amb resolution regarding inaccurate ETE to scene flights.</p> <p>MOAAMS (Missouri Association of Air Medical Services) has awarded 6 scholarships for the MO EMS Conf & Expo. The scholarships pay for the conference registration and the hotel stay.</p> <p>Air Amb Subcommittee usually meets same day as SAC at 0930. For info: ruby@lifeflighteagle.org</p>	
<p>Emergency Management Helen Sandkuhl, Chair</p>	<p>Helen Sandkuhl said the Emergency Management Subcommittee met virtually yesterday. They are engaging with several agencies in the state including , ENA, EMSC and MHA. Several of those representatives sit on the committee.</p> <p>The recent statewide Burn Surge exercise was discussed. Burn triage was brought up as future education for EMS and hospitals.</p> <p>Helen has applied for a committee grant from MO Foundation for Health to assist with rural disaster preparedness education. She has been contacted by MHA and is awaiting more communication. Ways to house the grant money is being explored.</p> <p>Helen was the duty officer for her STARRS area’s disaster response to the Mendon MO train wreck. She and others SMOC duty officers worked with Kari Barclay, MHA, and other coalition members throughout the state to provide potential assistance and to determine patient’s destinations and outcome.</p> <p>This subcommittee may do a review of the event and then report at the next SAC meeting in September. Plans to provide a COVID-19 and Monkeypox Update in September to assist in keeping EMS Personnel Safe.</p> <p>Emergency Management meets Mondays before SAC (SAC 4th Tuesday) at 1100, virtual. For info: Helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com</p>	
<p>Mobile Integrated Healthcare Justin Duncan</p>	<p>Justin said this subcommittee will be meeting the 2nd Monday of each month at 11am, virtually only. He has 31 people expressing interest in being involved.</p> <p>Discussion at the last meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educ requirements for MIH discussed There will be more engagement with the people actually functioning as MIH paramedic. Justin reviewed the amount of work needed during the pandemic. 	

	<p>Dr. Andrews related she had participated in a call with MHA regarding MIH.</p> <p>There is an MIH Summit on Aug 9th. Registration is free. Limited space so register early. See MEMSA's website for details. www.mema.org</p> <p>Virtual Meeting 2nd Monday at 11 am. For info: Justin Duncan JDuncan@wcadems.org</p>	
<p>Regional EMS Medical Directors Dr. Erica Carney</p>	<p>The meeting scheduled for yesterday was cancelled. However, an email response approved the Air Ambulance Utilization document submitted by the Air Ambulance Subcommittee.</p> <p>Dr. Carney discussed the Amtrak wreck yesterday. She became aware of the event when 3 KCFD off duty personnel called her. They were on the train. Discussion included some of the drawbacks of the wreck being in such a remote area. Initial size up and initial response requests not well coordinated. Regardless of limitations, all critical patients were off the scene within one hour. Patient tracking has been a problem in this event as it was after the Joplin tornado. Improvements were made after Joplin. SEMA helpful after that event.</p> <p>Dr. Carney expressed her thanks to all who were involved. As reviews are completed about the event, hopefully there will be a better way to rapidly notify key players in the state, including the State EMS Medical Director.</p> <p>Next meeting will include further discussion on the Medical Directors' reg as well as CoA and NREMT. Also 988 discussion.</p> <p>Contact Dr. Carney at erica.carney@kcmo.org Meetings virtual Monday before SAC at 10am.</p>	
<p>Regional Subcommittees Reports</p>		
<p>Northwest Eric Reeter, Chair</p>	<p>June's meeting was cancelled due to staffing problems. Next meeting is July 20 at 10am.</p> <p>ereeter@chillcothecity.org</p>	
<p>Central John Clemens, Chair</p>	<p>No report</p>	
<p>Southwest Bob Patterson, Chair</p>	<p>SW met but notes of meeting not available for report details.</p>	

Southwest Dr. John Russell, Chair	Debbie Leoni reported all is well in SE.	
East Central Mark Flauter, Chair	Mark Flauter reported there are still openings on the East Central Committee. Last meeting was June 10 th . No meeting in July.	
West Central (Reg A) Dr. David Gustafson	Next meeting is July 11 at 2pm, virtual and in person. Committee membership and updates being reviewed. Region A Medical Director position is open due to Dr. Carney moving up to the State EMS Medical Director. After nominations are received, BEMS will handle the election process. Nomination close July 18 th .	
BEMS Taz Meyer, Chief	Taz reported BEMS is working on getting all individual applicants and services to use the online portal. If anyone is having problems, please contact him. Licensing Management System (LMS) is working but has some kinks in the education portion. Taz continues to monitor the regulations BEMS has received.	
Interstate Compact Taz Meyer, Chief	Taz continues to attend national meetings with the Interstate Compact board. There has not been a lot of activity for Missouri lately. All of Missouri's data has been integrated. Some states do not have the FBI check in place yet. October is the deadline to have the FBI process in place.	
TCD Task Force Steve Bollin, DHSS	Steve related only stellar comments were expressed regarding EMS and the response to the train wreck yesterday. All reports indicated EMS and hospitals worked well with each other during the event. HB 2331 (TCD) will be signed this Thursday at 1pm. It will become law on August 28 th . Efforts will be underway to select the TCD Advisory Committee. The current TCD Task Force is developing goals for 2023. The TCD Annual Report is finished and available online. A group is being formed to look at diversion across the state. A standardized approach is a goal. Several of the current group would like to be involved including Dr. Carney, Justin Duncan and Dr. Andrews. Dr. Andrews asked about the meeting for those considering Rehabilitation with TCD patients. Steve indicated there would be more meetings to address this.	

	Dr. Andrews recalled that 6-7 years ago there was a seminar on unification. Paula Nickelson was part of the group. Steve said he would send a note to Paula and follow up with Dr. Andrews on what he learns.	
Affiliate Reports		
EMSC Liz Kendrick	Kayla Riel reporting for Liz. The EMSC tool kit information will be added to the EMSC website	
CARES, Kayla Riel	<p>Kayla reported a recent air show provided CARES with an opportunity to teach bystander CPR. She said the event was highly successful. Rock Township, SCCAD and Marion County helped teach. There were thousands of people in attendance. Kayla is looking for other opportunities. She would like to be part of the MO State Fair.</p> <p>AHA sent 100 Infant CPR kits to CARES.</p> <p>Kayla reminded the group that CARES needs EMS and hospitals to participate in the registry.</p>	
911 System, Jason White	No report	
Association Reports	<p>MAA -- Kat Probst kprobst@academs.us Currently holding leadership and training classes at Lodge of 4 Seasons.</p> <p>MEMSA—Justin Duncan President@memsa.org MO EMS Conf & Expo July 26-28 in St. Charles MO.</p> <p>MOAAMS—Christy Dressler cdressler@cmh.edu 6 winners selected to have tuition and hotel paid for conf above.</p> <p>ADAM -- Ray Antonacci ray@lcad.net No report</p>	

New Business and Announcements	Dr. Andrews reported she participated in a call with MHA last night. Two legislators, James Brown and Bill Hardwick both spoke. Their remarks included TCD. It was gratifying to see our TCD efforts were paying off.	
Open Forum	No discussion.	
Next Meeting	Next meeting will be Monday, July 25 at 1230 pm at the St. Charles County Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Plz, St. Charles MO 63303, Room 105 Virtual option will be available. An agenda with the meeting info will be sent prior.	
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned approximately 1:58 pm.	

Lynthia B. Andrews DO, FACEP

Date Approved 7-25-2022

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