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MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES

State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services

**MEETING MINUTES
CONFIDENTIAL PEER REVIEW
TODAY'S DATE: September 22, 2015
MEETING DATE: July 28, 2015**

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on July 28, 2015 at 4:30pm, in Cooper Creek 1 and 2, with Dr. Lindy Andrews presiding and a quorum was not present.

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

PRESENT: Mark Alexander, Dr. Lynthia Andrews, Ben Chlapek, Ruby Mehrer, Helen Sandkuhl and Dr. David Tan.

EXCUSED: Joan Eberhardt, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick and Sam Schneider.

GUESTS: See sign-in sheets.

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
I. Review of Minutes			
A. Approval of Minutes	Minutes not approved because quorum was not present. Tabled to next meeting.	Minutes will be brought to the September meeting for approval.	N/A
II. Subcommittee Reports			
A. Pediatrics Subcommittee	No representation present.	Will discuss at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
B. Trauma Subcommittee	No representation present.	A representative will report at	A representative will update

		the next meeting.	at the next meeting in September, 2015.
C. Legislative Subcommittee	They are trying to arrange a meeting for August 25 th . The main purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the Interstate Compact. People with a lot of knowledge on the topic will be there to educate the group to decide if we want it in MO. It will be at 10AM with the location TBD. Watch your emails. See attachments for Medicaid regulated funding.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
D. Education Subcommittee	No one present to report.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
E. Air Ambulance Committee	They met before SAC today. In stroke, stemi and trauma regulations, language says that Level 1 and 2 Stroke Centers has to have an area that is cordained off at all times and Level 3's will be off for general public. This has caused issues with people scrambling to meet this requirement. This has caused safety issues because of decreasing the area for landing because of fences. They are working with HSS and people on the State level to try to increase the understanding that the wording is causing problems. Requested a nod of approval from SAC to move forward to negotiate. SAC granted this. There was some concern over use of drones in areas of disaster. They will be watching this issue carefully.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
F. Emergency Management	No one present to report.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
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III. Regional Subcommittee Reports			
A. Northwest	They last met on July 15 th . There is a 30 day window to apply for the ARSOC deal. The 'Bike Across MO' went well through the Region H area. They got to Region B and ended due to storms. DOT has grant funding for EMS that is not being utilized as much as it should. They discussed a grant deal with MODOT for the region. Trauma trends for Region H will be on November 6 th at MO Western. The problem on I-35 is that there is not enough stroke centers. The next meeting will be in September in Cameron, face-to-face.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
B. Central	No one present to report.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.

C. Southwest	They attempted to meet before SAC. Did not have a quorum for a second time. The TCD subcommittees met unofficially about a card that crews can carry in stroke situations for patients. Discussed stemi responses for education of medics and interpretation of EKGs. A physician order set was discussed that will make it more difficult for families to suddenly say they want everything done against the patient's wishes.	A representative will report at the next meeting. Jason will get with Kristina to send information out to the committee.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
D. Southeast	No one present to report.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
E. East Central	They continue to have very robust monthly meetings. A lot of them are standing room only. Most are centered around TCD with a lot of representatives from stroke and stemi. The TCD seminar is coming up on September 24 th in Sunset Hills at the Holiday Inn. CMEs and CEUs are available.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
IV. Regional Medical Directors			
A. Region A	They met on July 6 th . There are lot's of new committee members and had a majority for a change. There were concerns over the new ambulance configurations that will need to be discussed further. They have had increased hospital participation but need to figure out how to get more EMS involved. Trying to utilize centers with teleconference capabilities.	A representative will report at the next meeting.	A representative will update at the next meeting in September, 2015.
V. EMS Reports			
A. State EMS Medical Director – Dr. Froelke	TCD is in the implementation phase. Dr. Froelke encourages SAC to continue to make notes of areas where we may need to look at modifying our interpretations or the language itself in order to prevent unintended consequences. The SAC also represents the medical provider and stake holder participation in the system. As evidence appears, such as changes in CME practices or use of intervention in stroke, or inadvertent safety issues, such as being reported associated with quardening off helipads, we rely on this group to help us continue to build and improve our system. Please be sure to provide patient focused and medical evidence to support the positions. All too often, when	Dr. Froelke will update at the next meeting.	Dr. Froelke will update the council at the next meeting in September, 2015.

	discussing issues in a legal arena, we forget to hold ourselves to the medical standards associated with a peer reviewed and patient safety and efficacy processes. Such medical evidence should accompany any legal review in this system.		
B. EMS Bureau Report – Mr. Jobe	No one present to report.	Mr. Jobe will update at the next meeting.	Mr. Jobe will update the council at the next meeting in September, 2015.
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VI. Old Business			
A. CALS Supplies	Postponed until the next meeting.	Postponed.	Will discuss at the meeting in September.
VII. New Business			
A. EMS Field Bill	A couple regulators pulled back. Some talked against it and other legislators have moved forward with it. It is still alive but is undergoing changes as far as whose “carrying the ball.”	N/A	N/A
B. DEA Regulations	Nationally, the biggest issue is DEA regulations. The way the current regs are written, it is not legal for EMS providers to have narcotics on ambulances or helicopters. They said it was up to the individual services. This needs to be revised. Federal laws do allow for non-licensed providers to administer narcotics.	N/A	N/A
C. EMS Expo	The EMS Expo will be on September 14-19 in Las Vegas. There will be a training on August 10-14 in Kansas City for free. FEMA will be providing everything. They still have 3 slots open. You can sign up on marc.com.	N/A	N/A
D. Center for Patient Safety	They are 3 or 4 weeks into the Behavioral Health pilot program for patient safety. This discusses the impact of interfacility transports and how it is affecting EMS services. There will be a preliminary report on August 11 th and then they will expand. October 30 th is the conference at Hollywood Hotel and Casino in St. Louis, MO.	N/A	N/A

Introductions were completed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1747 hrs.

Respectfully submitted, Kristina Williams, MHA, RHIA

_____, Chairperson

Dr. Lynthia Andrews

Chair