

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

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**CONFIDENTIAL PEER REVIEW**  
**MEETING DATE: Feb 25, 2020**

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on February 25, 2020 in the Truman Building Room 490-492 Jefferson City, Missouri 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; Ruby Mehrer; Helen Sandkuhl,

**ABSENT:** Ben Chlapek; Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick; Sam Schneider. Dr David Tan;

**ATTENDEES:** Jami Blackwell, Cox Health Spfld; Dr. Sabina Braithwaite Patricia Casey by phone, Cardinal Glennon; Carrie Chismarich, SSM DePaul; Shelby Cox, Center for Patient Safety; Josh Creamer, MU EMS; Chuck Doss, Boone Co Fire; Christy Dressler CMH-KC; Josh Dugal, by phone, Cardinal Glennon; Lori Freeman; Dr Brian Froelke, Wash U; Pamela Golden, SSM SL Univ Hosp; Dr. David Gustafson, EMS Medical Director, Reg A Chair; Jason Hessman, Air Methods; Dr.; Dee Hodge SLCH / Wash U; Pam Jackson, SLH-KC; Dr Melissa Kroll, Wash U; Mike Lata, KCMO FD; Bud Mantle, by phone, Mercy SL; Chris Mattes, Mercy Life Line; Art Maxwell, NTA Amb; Taz Meyer, SCCAD; Sharon Monical, BJC; Kat Probst, Adair Co AD; Dr. Doug Schuerer, BJH/WU; Heather Scruton, CMH-KC; Dr. Jeff Siegler, by phone, Wash U; Wallace, Med-Trans; Tracy Wampler, Survival Flight; Jason White, MARC

**DHSS Staff:** Sam Vance BEMS Chief; Katherine Crockett, BEMS, George Miller, BEMS. Chris Herring

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:33 pm.

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
<b>I. Review of Minutes</b>			
<b>A. Approval of Minutes November 26, 2019 and Jan 28, 2020 minutes</b>	<i>There was no quorum, so approval of minutes was tabled.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.	

<b>II. Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>Pediatrics Subcommittee</b> <b>Patricia Casey, Chair</b>	<p>Tricia reported the Pediatric Committee meeting was productive. Sam Vance helped with formalizing advisory committee conversation regarding pediatricians serving as resources for the Regional Medical Directors.</p> <p>EMSC –new definitions for EMSC are pending. Dr. Froelke will be reviewing the new material.</p> <p>Dr. Brian Froelke had conversation on national level on children with special needs. Draft language will come out in a couple of weeks regarding protection and patient safety—some modifier codes may be added to billing codes to help reimbursement of extra care.</p> <p>There have been 55 respondents to a survey sent out, 80 is needed.</p>		
<b>B. Trauma Subcommittee</b> <b>Dr. David Gustafson, Chair</b>	<p>Dr. Gustafson reporting: Trauma funding and Trauma leveling protocols discussed. Discussion included CDC, Rural Hospitals and trauma data.</p> <p>Dr Gustafson said there was discussion on pie chart run off by Peggy at DHSS on deaths in 2019 under the age of 19. The Trauma Committee says the chart is not accurate and referenced a specific list that each hospital submits to the state. That data does not support the pie chart.</p> <p>Iowa gets reports from Image Trends. It is hoped that Mo can do as well.</p>		
<b>C. Legislative Subcommittee</b> <b>Mark Alexander</b>	<p>Art Maxwell and Jason White reporting: HB 2520 moving. It will remove mileage as a qualifier for Trauma III centers.</p> <p>A bill has been filed to allow the Increase of sales tax to 1% for ambulance districts. Limit now is .5%</p> <p>The AED bill is moving. It removes the necessity of a medical director and reduces liability for businesses etc. to have AEDs on sight.</p>		

	<p>The DNR bill will allow acceptance of out of state forms and TPOPP forms after DHSS reviews and approves them. Medicaid expansion will likely be on the ballot in November. MHA is spearheading efforts.</p> <p>FRA IGT –Proposed CMS rules may cause a loss of two billion dollars.</p> <p>PTSD bill recognizing PTSD as job related probably won't move this year.</p> <p>CMS proposed changes may make FRA money to go away, Agencies will be asked to send letters in a few weeks</p>		
<p><b>D. Education Subcommittee</b> <b>Chuck Doss, Chair</b></p>	<p>Chuck Doss reporting; David Wright PA Wash U wrote an article regarding advanced paramedic practitioners. He spoke to the Educ Committee at the last meeting by phone. Wants gap analysis to determine needs for specific education/courses. He would welcome help.</p>	<p>Mar 18 at noon</p>	
<p><b>E. Air Ambulance Subcommittee</b> <b>Ruby Mehrer, Chair</b></p>	<p>Christy Dressler reporting: Eagle Med fixed wing lost an engine but landed safely in Kanas a few days ago. Surprise billing efforts continue on the national level. Rep. Steve Helms has a bill filed addressing membership requirements in the state of Missouri. No movement reported.</p>		
<p><b>F. Emergency Management</b> <b>Wally Patrick, Chair</b></p>	<p>Not in attendance. No report.</p>		
<p><b>G. TCD</b> <b>Helen Sandkuhl</b></p>	<p>Task Force met last week. TCD legislation will not be filed in 2020. Consensus building for the 2021 legislative session will be in progress soon. Still working on some of the definitions and of small hospitals roles. TCD needs funding. Have asked for \$250,000 to be put in the state budget, to be used by the regions to collect data etc.</p>		
<p><b>H. MIH Community Paramedics</b> <b>Dr. Melissa Kroll</b></p>	<p>Dr. Kroll reported the committee meets on the second Mondays by conference calls. Discussion included structure, legislative issues and goals.</p>	<p>Contact Dr. Kroll at <a href="mailto:mkroll@wustl.edu">mkroll@wustl.edu</a></p>	

III. Regional Subcommittee Reports			
<b>A. Northwest</b>	Art Maxwell reported the discussion at the Feb meeting included legislative issues and grant projects. April 2 an infectious disease training/drill is planned. Keri Barclay is the contact.	Next meeting is 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed of March.	
<b>B. Central</b>	No meeting	Next meeting is Mar 5	
<b>C. Southwest</b>	No report	Next meeting April 2	
<b>D. Southeast</b>	No report		
<b>E. East Central</b>	Dr. Doug Schuerer attended the Jan. meeting. Trauma triage transport document discussed. Discussion on Great Saves. Sam Vance attended. He asked for input on what is working well and what is not and how to improve.		
<b>F. Region A/West Central</b>	Dr. Gustafson reported there has not been a meeting since last SAC meeting,	Next meeting is Mar 2.	
<b>G. Regional EMS Medical Directors</b> <b>Dr. Sabina Braithwaite</b>	Dr. Braithwaite reported: No Biospatial update. Air ambulance utilization document is set aside because legislators are not looking at those issues right now. DNR legislation is a step in the right direction. Peds folks need to address DNR later. CIT sample protocols from Central can be used as a template. EMS Medical Director one day course may be offered in June. NAEMSP has material available. March 9 and 10 are EMS Day at Capitol activities. Required phone CPR is being explored.		
<b>BEMS</b> <b>Sam Vance, Chief</b>	Chief Vance reported he visited 3 regions so far. Once all regions are visited, he will identify common themes and then present the results at the EMS Conference in July.		

	DHSS has concluded that Biospatial may be good for EMS but not so much for hospitals. The legal department of DHSS is reviewing it before it can be used. Interstate Compact did not meet this month. All Commissions meeting will be March 10 <sup>th</sup> . National EMS education changes are available for review. NEMSIS 3 will go live April 1. So far, 800,000 patient care reports have been received from about 100 EMS agencies. License software is probably ahead of schedule but not active yet.		
		<b>Recommendation/Actions</b>	
<b>Center for Patient Safety Shelby Cox</b>	Shelby Cox reported there are a lot of changes at CPS. Lee Varner is gone. Brian LaCroix from Allina, MN has been hired. CPS is 100% remote now, there is no Columbia office. CPS is working with Dr. Susan Scott, U of MO, with 2 <sup>nd</sup> victim program. There is a survey out about PTSD and Mental Health needs.		
<b>Old Business</b>	None		
<b>New Business &amp; Announcements</b>	March 4 is a free webinar UHC. C A D Course March 31 Columbia June –Leadership Class. Contact <a href="mailto:MAA@moambulance.org">MAA@moambulance.org</a>		
<b>Next Meeting</b>	Next meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2020 in Jefferson City at the Truman Building.	An agenda will be sent prior to the next meeting.	
<b>Adjourned</b>	Meeting adjourned approximately 1325		

Lynthia Andrews Bowman  
Summary respectfully prepared by Ruby Mehrer

Date Approved: 4/28/2020