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**MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES**

**State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services**

**MEETING SUMMARY  
 CONFIDENTIAL PEER REVIEW  
 MEETING DATE: March 22, 2016**

**(approved April 26, 2016)**

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on February 23, 2016 at 12:30pm, in Room 490-492, with Dr. Lindy Andrews presiding and a quorum was 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, Ruby Mehrer, Wally Patrick. **By Phone:** Ben Chlapek, Joan Eberhardt, Helen Sandkuhl

**ABSENT:** Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Sam Schneider, Dr. David Tan

**GUEST S:** See sign-in sheets.

*Introductions were completed.*

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
<b>I. Review of Minutes</b>			
<b>A. Approval of Minutes</b>	Helen Sandkuhl moved the February 23, 2016 minutes be approved as written. Ben Chlapek seconded. Motion carried.		
<b>II. Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>A. Pediatrics Subcommittee</b>	Noreen Felich accepted Chair of Ped Committee. Noreen is in attendance today by phone. Dr. Andrews reviewed Special Needs Patient Report Sheet which was designed to provide information for EMS on the special needs children. EMS agencies will put the info sheet into a book or other data base /flash drive etc. so it is available	Noreen Felich will coordinate efforts with the Special Needs Patient Report Sheet and will keep SAC informed of the	.

	to EMS if they are treating the child in an emergency situation. Some children need specific treatment at scene. There may be times during disasters the child will not have their notebook/paperwork from the hospital with them. There will be an opportunity to practice the effectiveness of this plan during a drill in August	progress.	
<b>B. Trauma Subcommittee</b>	No report.		
<b>C. Legislative Subcommittee</b>	<p>Lots of legislative activity involving EMS including: Omnibus bill, 9-1-1, state compact and several others discussed briefly during the subcommittee meeting. Most of time spent on Military Medics. The paramedic educators across the state have been engaged in conference calls and email exchanges. BEMS filed proposed regulation with the Secretary of State. Those will be printed April 15 for public comment, so regulatory process has begun. Will have 30 day comment period –which may be extended under certain circumstance. The legislative subcommittee advised SAC to ask DHSS to withdraw the regulation in order to allow meaningful time to address concerns.</p> <p><b><i>Mark Alexander moved The State advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services in keeping with its statutory duty to advise the Department on matters affecting EMS in regards to the proposed amendment to 19 CSR 330-40.342 recommends the following;</i></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>1. That the Department withdraw the proposed regulation , and</i></b></li> <li><b><i>2. That the Department allows a meaningful period of time to be used to amend the proposed regulation to a version that supports a beneficial process for veterans to bridge to EMT-P or EMT-I while addressing the concerns of the industry.</i></b></li> </ol> <p><b><i>Wally Patrick seconded. Passed with unanimous vote of SAC members.</i></b></p> <p>Mark Alexander will draft the letter and have Dr. Andrews sign and send it.</p> <p>The Education Subcommittee of SAC and ICE (Instructors Coordinators Examiners) Society members are gathering information that could be used as comments if DHSS does not withdraw the proposed regulation.</p>	<p>Mark Alexander to draft a letter with the adopted resolution language and will submit it to Dr. Andrews for signature.</p> <p>Educators will continue to engage in the process so education requirements are given due consideration.</p>	
<b>D. Education Subcommittee</b>	Dr. Bridgett Svancarek asked Virginia Wilson to summarize	Virginia Wilson will serve as	

	<p>the efforts over the past month regarding the military medic proposed regulations. Virginia reported a letter is being drafted to format the concerns with the proposed regulations. The letter will provide suggestions for language that will give military medics a solid avenue for licensure in Missouri as well as other states. Virginia indicated there is concern from the educators that the proposed regulation language would jeopardize the programs accreditation.</p> <p>MEMSA provided a copy of a letter sent to DHSS expressing concerns with the proposed regulatory language.</p>	the point of contact for the educators' efforts.	
<b>E. Air Ambulance Committee</b>	<p>The air ambulance subcommittee met before SAC today. Most of the discussion was on the HB 1964 (LODD) which has passed in the House and is moving to the Senate. The committee members will engage their Senators to educate them and to ask for their vote. Senator Mike Parson has agreed to be the Senate sponsor.</p> <p>SB 988 regarding hospital helipads is still on the Senate calendar. It may be attached to another bill as things begin to move.</p> <p>Committee members were encouraged to correspond with their national representatives about HB 4365 which allows prehospital to continue to give controlled substances by protocol. It also will allow EMS agencies to hold their own DEA number instead of using the medical directors for controlled substances.</p> <p>The air ambulance programs are sponsoring an Active Shooter preconference of Expo on July 26, 2016. A flyer about the Expo conference was provided.</p>		
<b>F. Emergency Management</b>	Wally Patrick reported he is researching papers and other information and making it available to the committee. He encouraged others to share pertinent information.		
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<b>III. Regional Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>A. Northwest</b>	Sharon Smith reported most of the discussion at the Northwest Region was on educational opportunities in the area. The next meeting is April 20 <sup>th</sup> .		
<b>B. Central</b>	No report.		
<b>C. Southwest</b>	Southwest Region met last mo in Joplin. Medical case reviews held during lunch. Southwest Region had an election for a Regional Medical Director. Two doctors ran. Election ended in a tie. The doctors will serve as co-medical directors for the		

	time being.		
<b>D. Southeast</b>	Southeast Region has not met since last SAC meeting. There are vacancies on the SW Region that need to be filled. A new medical director needs to be selected as well.		
<b>E. East Central</b>	Last meeting was March 11 <sup>th</sup> . Outreach education efforts continue for the region including need of children, gun locks, etc. May 13 is the Great Save event. Sept 28 is TCD conf. There are several open positions on the committee		
<b>A. Region A</b>	Dr. David Gustafson reported Region A met Mar 7 at Liberty Hospital. There was a presentation on ASLS. There have been several classes in the area. Shane Lockard has put together a generic order form for CPAP BiPAP settings, meds etc. to facilitate patient hand-offs for interfacility transports of seriously ill patients. PSO supports the concept and the form. Johnson County Ambulance District is willing to share the form, contact Shane Lockard. Psych legislation is moving.		
<b>A. State EMS Medical Director – Dr. Froelke</b>	<p>Stop the Bleed is a campaign trademarked by Dept of Defense. It can be used for educational but not for personal items. State of MO has filled out form to be able to use Stop the Bleed slogan for some projects.</p> <p>Chair of Reg Med Directors met this morning. There was no quorum but discussion took place. The Central Region community plan is being considered. East Central revised community plan is expected. The regional medical director meeting in April will invite the experts in the field on TCD and data analysis etc, MHA, other state partners in order to build infrastructure that will have peer analysis and evidence based review. Dr. Froelke is looking for people to work on the project. He needs a large regional medical directors committee meeting –hopefully in April and wants EMS participation. Dr. Froelke would like to use the venue of the ICE conference to capture EMS input.</p> <p>Legislative issues need to be evidence based so controversies could be supported in a scientific way.</p> <p>In response to a question, Dr. Froelke said different portions of the trauma regs are in different states of readiness. Dr. Froelke says he hopes to identify key individuals that are experts to determine if what we have in the trauma regulations 5 years later is still applicable. He wants to disseminate the current</p>	Dr. Froelke will update at the next meeting.	Dr. Froelke will update the council at the next meeting in March, 2016.

	work load to the best medical experts.		
<b>B. EMS Bureau Report - Mr. Jobe</b>	Letter from CoAEMSP. Les will forward the letter to interested parties. NIEMIS 3.0 upgrade continues. NFPA KKK CAS all have ambulance standards. Triple K sunsets at end of 2016. BEMS had intended for all three to be acceptable however new information indicates adjusting to the CAS standards results in no cost. NFPA standards are at a high cost.	Mr. Jobe will respond to requests for the CoAEMSP letter. No action taken.	
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<b>A. CALS Supplies</b>	Discussion regarding the CALS project: Comprehensive Advanced Life Support for rural areas promoted several years ago. MO group went to Minnesota to get training. The group came back to MO and provided training for 2 years then lost grant. Grant had purchased all equipment etc. After funds lost the equipment seemed to be absorbed into Univ. of Missouri but there are no records. Wally Patrick said the class content was very valuable. Okla. and Mississippi still teach these classes. MO instructors still teach but have to go out of state. Joan Eberhardt asked to check with legal to see if CALS could suffice for ACS requirements for rural trauma class. CALS has a more team approach than ACS, TNCC etc. Teaches a lot of lifesaving techniques. Joan Eberhardt said CALS has great support but ACS came out with own class on rural trauma and CALS got abandoned. Wally Patrick asked if we could get support from MO Hosp Assoc. They may be a better answer since Mo Foundation for Health doesn't cover the whole state. Wally suggested we explore tying into EMSC grant since there are big pediatric and neonate sections. Funding is needed. Brian Froelke pointed out CALS is not in Orange Book but could be theoretically added. Wally Patrick said Missouri is not bound by the Orange Book. Presently there is no good method of using 'or equivalency' language in regulations which causes problems with cont education and some courses. Dr. Froelke proposed to look at good core piece of language that allows the TCD regulation with flexibility. Wanted core course competencies capability. Pam Jackson, Trauma	Wally Patrick will lead efforts to explore CALS project and possibly reviving it.	Will discuss at the meeting in March.

	<p>Manager at St. Luke's asked who approves one qualifier course—TNCC etc. Pam thinks initial education is one of those courses but cont education is not as well defined.</p> <p>Dr. Froelke said the use of the medical director and experts is to set deadlines and get things done faster.</p> <p>Wally asked if shifting the work load would result in the same outcome as the current one. DR. Froelke says this is a proposal to try to make it better. He hopes to start in April.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews asked Wally Patrick to lead the efforts to explore the CALS project. Several volunteered to help him including Joan Eberhardt, Helen Sandkuhl, Sharon Smith and Noreen Felich. Wally will arrange a conference call next week.</p>	<p>Wally Patrick will arrange conference call next week.</p> <p>All interested parties are invited to participate.</p>	
<b>B. Center for Patient Safety</b>	<p>Lee Varner reported. Safety watch last month revealed patients being transported to wrong destinations. CPS looks for trends. Analysis shows confusing about capabilities of facilities on Stroke STEMI and Trauma. Also diagnosing errors, EKG read wrong, no Blood Sugar recorded or other errors. Safety Watch email list will be used to alert of patterns. Contact Lee Varner to be added to that email list. Transition of care—especially high risk patients. Often not a quick reference tool for EMT-P to look at. Medic are very busy, no time to dig thru paperwork. The transition of care paper addresses this. A single page is most effective.</p> <p>CPS hosting ‘Huddles’ with medical directors under CPS protection. Candid discussions are taking place. First huddle was successful. Allows conversations to improve care without fear of discovery. Next huddle is this Thursday at 1pm. Contact Lee for details.</p>	<p>Lee Varner will continue to report at the next meeting.</p>	
<b>A. Advanced Stroke Life Support</b>	<p>Classes underway across Missouri.</p>		<p>Remove from next month's agenda.</p>
<b>B. Ambulance Board Training</b>	<p>Educational materials for Ambulance Board training was provided last month. Univ MO Fire and Rescue Training Institute has partnered with MAA to provide the training. <i>Mark Alexander moved SAC approve MO Fire and Rescue Training Institute to provide training. Second by Helen Sandkuhl. Motion carried.</i></p>	<p>Minutes will serve as document approving MO FRTI to provide Board Training.</p>	
<b>Next meeting</b>	<p>Tues April 26<sup>th</sup> 4pm at ICE Spring Break Lodge of 4 Seasons</p>	<p>Ruby Mehrer will contact Barb Shupe to arrange a room</p>	

		etc.	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<p>Dr. Andrews: Today’s discussion exemplifies what SAC is for. Working on rules and regulations. It is the intent of SAC to always be supportive constructive and professional. Doing the best we can for EMS. Also want our heroes to have a win-win situation when they come back.</p> <p>Kristina Williams no longer able to attend and take minutes – thank you gift for her from Dr. Andrews.</p> <p>Chris Greene retired as pediatric committee chair—she followed Diana Kraus. Dr. Andrews also got her a gift. .</p> <p>Dr. Andrews thanked Jason for his work. She said she understands his passion. She also understands the educators' passion.</p> <p>Wally Patrick says his disaster committee at standstill: Wally has been researching. Will send out minutes out with sites to look at education about disaster.’</p> <p>Midwest Trauma Conf May 12-13. Pig lab May 11.</p> <p>Mark Alexander: April 5 is EMS Day at the Capitol. Please attend – 8:30am 3<sup>rd</sup> floor rotunda.</p>		
<b>Adjourned</b>	Meeting was declared adjourned at 1:57 pm.		

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 Dr. Lynthia Andrews  
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Summary respectfully submitted by Ruby Mehrer