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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: November 28, 2017

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on November 28, 2017 at 12:35 pm at the Truman Building in Jefferson City, with Dr. Lynthia Andrews presiding. There was a quorum.

APPOINTED 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.

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

ABSENT: Joan Eberhardt, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick, Sam Schneider, Dr. David Tan

GUESTS: Mark Flauter, Florissant Valley FPD; Lori Freeman, Barnes Jewish Hosp and SCCA ; Dr. Brian Froelke, Wash. U; Dave Gibson, University MO Ambulance; William Gulick, KCFD; Dr. David Gustafson, EMS Med Director; Dr. Dee Hodge, SLCH / Wash U; Pam Jackson, St. Luke's KC; Misty Jones, MU EMS; Mike Latta, KCMO FD; Debbie Leoni, Southeast Health; Art Maxwell, NTA Ambulance; Jay McClintick, SLH-KC; Rande McCrary, NEMSMA; Dana Spruell, Research Medical Center; David Stahlman, Mercy Jefferson; Jason White, MARCER. **By Phone:** Bob Patterson, Mercy Springfield; Chad Garner, St. François Co.

DHSS Staff: Terry Ellsworth BEMS Chief; William Koebel, Deputy Director Licensing

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:35 pm. Introductions were completed

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I. Review of Minutes			
A. Approval of Minutes Sept 26 and Oct 24, 2017	***Ben Chlapek moved to approve the Sept 26, and Oct 24, 2017 minutes as written. Second by Helen Sandkuhl. Motion passed***	The minutes will be posted on the BEMS website following signature by Dr. Andrews.	
II. Subcommittee Reports			
A. Pediatrics Subcommittee Noreen Felich, Chair	Noreen Felich has jury duty and is unable to attend today.	Noreen Felich to follow up on the pediatric information form.	.

B. Trauma Subcommittee **Dr. Doug Schuerer, Chair**	• Dr. Schuerer introduced himself as a Reg 7 trauma conference representative. His remarks included he will review transport and trauma protocols. Although trauma is part of TCD system, the proposed trauma regulations have not been approved. Level IV trauma centers were identified in the proposed regs but after 30 meetings the issue is still in limbo. CDC guidelines were used to add ATVs. Trauma Subcommittee has pushed the state to approve the trauma regs. Dr. Schuerer said the evidence has not changed. • Dr. Schuerer said he was notified that the trauma subcommittee chair has been changed to Dr. David Gustafson. Dr. Schuerer thinks changing the chair to a person who is not dedicated just to trauma is a mistake. Dr. Andrews told Dr. Schuerer that he was valued member and she valued his contributions. Dr. Andrews said she appointed Dr. Gustafson to get EMS back at the table with the trauma subcommittee. She hopes the trauma nurse coordinators will continue to work attend meetings and help guide the efforts. Dr. Andrews indicated she wants Dr. Schuerer work on the data points project. Pam Jackson commented trauma needs to be led by those who understand trauma and she believes it needs to be hospital led. The question was raised on the mission of SAC regarding trauma—is it only the EMS aspect? Dr. Andrews responded saying SAC's mission is to advise on EMS which includes the prehospital and hospital care. And there is a broader scope as well to include SEMA, public health and public education. All need to work together to coordinate efforts of make EMS better on all levels. Pam Jackson reiterated that she thinks it is important the trauma subcommittee be led by a trauma person. Dr. Andrews acknowledged her viewpoint and impressed on all attending that her goal is to have all disciplines at the table for trauma subcommittee meetings. .		
C. Legislative Subcommittee **Mark Alexander, Chair**	Mark Alexander reported that the legislative subcommittee is working to advise DHSS as all EMS regulations are being reviewed. There was a meeting Nov. 14 at Boone County Fire		

	Protection District in Columbia that was attended in person and on line. About 35 people participated. Reviewed data collection regulation .375 which has been completed and approved but because of nature of state computer servers the data collection cannot take place at this time. Presently, only life threats reported. When .375 goes into effect there will be changes: 1. All patient encounters will be required to be reported 2. Must upload reports to state and 3. Uploads must take place in timely manner. A rolling 14-day reporting window has been established. The patient care hand-off issue will be pulled from this regulation and put in a separate one. Patient safety is a concern if hand-off information is not accurate. ***Ruby Mehrer moved to accept .375 as revised. Ben Chlapek seconded the motion. No further discussion. The motion passed.*** At the November 14th meeting the regulations for licensing ground, air and EMRAs were combined. Documents are posted on the MEMSA website www.memsa.org and can be commented on there. There are still things that are unique to each entity that will be left intact. Insurance requirements may be adjusted as this process continues. Communicable disease regulations are being combined into one regulation. Deemed consent is already included in language so treatment for exposed health care workers should not be delayed. The SE region has indicated the pending trauma regs need to be updated. Next meeting to work on revising/updating/combining regulations is 2nd Tues in Jan. Starting with that meeting, the group will meet every 2 weeks until spring. Any interested person can attend and participate.		
D. Education Subcommittee Chuck Doss, Chair	Conference call was scheduled for November 15. No one in attendance to report today.		

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• SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS (Continued)			
• **E. Air Ambulance Committee** • **Ruby Mehrer, Chair**	Ruby Mehrer reported air ambulance group met this morning. George Wright gave a presentation about the MO EMS Memorial being established. A Board of Directors for the 501c3 organization is being selected. Brandon Buckman from Air Evac volunteered to represent air. Laser strikes continue to be a problem.		
F. Emergency Management **Wally Patrick, Chair**	Wally Patrick not in attendance. No report.		
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III. Regional Subcommittee Reports			
A. Northwest	Art Maxwell reported NW Region met Nov 8 at Cameron. Blood draws at law enforcement requests discussed. Each EMS agency has its own policy on whether to draw the blood or not. Currently being handled on local level. The bill allowing EMS to administer controlled substances has been signed by President Trump. RSOC grants are nearing approval. Badging system in place for disasters. Strike team can be requested. Next meeting Dec 20 in Cameron		
B. Central	No report	F	
C. Southwest	Bob Patterson reported SW Region met Nov 17 at Mercy Hospital Some discussion on pending trauma regs—concern is they are dated and need to be reviewed. There was discussion on a regional score card needed to post times etc. for data Education was provided by Dr. Scott Duff on stroke cases. Next meeting Jan 19th.		
D. Southeast	Debbie Leoni reported SE Region has not met since the last		

	SAC meeting. Will meet Dec 1st.		
E. East Central	• Dr. Doug Schuerer said Helen Sandkuhl asked to bring forward the issue of collecting evidence based data. AHA has ability to gather stroke and STEMI data. Dr. Schuerer says there is a need to collect other data. He said East Central has been talking to vendors for data collection. • Vendors can filter for EMS data only if wanted. Dr. Schuerer said there is a need to gather data on state level. He questioned if others have interest in participating and helping to pay for the efforts. Jason White said MARCER/Reg A would be interested in looking at it. Art Maxwell indicated the issue should be taken back to the regions for consideration. • Dr. Schuerer asked if there was interest in having a vendor(s) attend a meeting for discussion and explanation. • Bill Koebel says always interested in having data but would not be able to commit DHSS. • There was further discussion on how the data could be collected, whether or not it could pull from hospitals and EMS and what detail it could give. Cost was cited as a factor to deal with, but most comments were positive in supporting the project and wanted an opportunity to vet some of the resources available. • Terry Ellsworth indicated that currently the state only gets data on about 10% of EMS calls because life-threats only are required to be reported. He also said data collection for demographics and billing is very different. He would be interested in data that could be compared on a local, regional or state level. • Dr. Schuerer will follow up by inviting a vendor(s) to come to the January SAC meeting, • East Central TCD conf had around 100 or so attend. • There is a concern about communication with EMS in East Central. Some have indicated EMS does not receive communication from the group. There are ongoing efforts to correct this. • East Central is waiting to have vacancies on the committee filled. Nominees have been identified and paperwork has been sent to the state.	Dr. Schuerer will invite a data collection vendor to do a presentation at the January 23, 2018 SAC meeting.	

F. Region A	Dr. David Gustafson reported Region A met on November 6. • Discussion on blood draws revealed a variety of policies or, in some cases, nothing in print. But no one delays transport for a blood draw for law enforcement. • Community Paramedics class was held at CJCFPD. Most participants are trying to finish requirements for on-site clinical time. • Next meeting Jan. 8, 2018		
G. Regional EMS Medical Directors -Dr. Brian Froelke	Dr. Brian Froelke reported the regional medical directors meeting overlapped with the legislative subcommittee. Some discussion included blood draws for law enforcement and TCD issues.		
IV. DHSS-BEMS Report			
Terry Ellsworth **BEMS Chief**	• Mr. Ellsworth said a survey was sent to all service managers asking for the number of pediatric transfers each does. The data is being collected for EMSC grant. Two reminders have gone out. So far there is a72% return. At least an 80% return on survey is the goal. • Mr. Ellsworth reminded the group that two representatives from each Region should be identified to be on EMSC committee.	Agencies are reminded to complete the survey. Each region should identify two people for EMSC and submit to Terry Ellsworth.	
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Center for Patient Safety **Lee Varner**	Lee Varner unable to attend today. He sent a report: We are currently working on the 2018 schedule and will share that with the SAC at the next meeting. One thing I want to do in 2018 is to attend the regional meetings around the state and offer a short presentation on patient safety. In the past our messaging has been primarily focused on PSO, however, we would now like to include greater information on patient safety/safety culture.		

Educational Presentation: George Wright, EMS Memorial Project George reported NW MO State University has offered a 99-year lease for a site to establish the EMS Memorial on that campus. A 501c3 corporation is being established to be able to receive donations and to oversee the project. George said the memorial would honor the 27 MO LODD. There will be a process established to add names in the future for those lost in the line of duty as well as a way for others to be honored. Fundraising goal is $142,000 George said the goal to open the memorial is 2020.			
New Business and Announcements			
Old Business	None		
New Business	None		
Next Meeting	Next meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2018 in Jefferson City. No meeting in December.	An agenda will be sent prior to the next meeting.	
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.		

Dr. Lynthia Andrews, SAC Chair

Date Approved 4-22-18

Summary respectfully prepared by Ruby Mehrer