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

Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman, Chair
MEETING SUMMARY
SAC MEETING DATE: April 23, 2024
Truman Building, Jefferson City MO

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Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman presiding.

APPOINTED SAC MEMBERS: Mark Alexander, Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman, Ben Chlapek, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Ruby Mehrer, Wally Patrick, Dr. David K, Tan. Helen Sandkuhl;

SAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman, Chair; Mark Alexander, Ben Chlapek, Dave Herman, Ruby Mehrer, Helen Sandkuhl; Dr. David Tan

Board Members Absent: Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick,

ATTENDEES: Kate Allender; Stephanie Ashford, SCCAD; Megan Ashlock, Mercy SL; John Barclay, NTAAD; Keri Barclay, MHA; Lori Beck, SLCH; Norrie Bradley, Cox-Trauma; Dr. Erica Carney, KCFD and State Medical Director; Amanda Clark, Mercy Hosp-Jefferson; John Clemens Marion Co EMS; Kelly Cope, SCCAD; Tom DiMercurio; Chuck Doss, MU Health; Christy Dressler, CMH-KC; Jonathan Eivins, Mosaic St. Joseph; Brody Eller, BJC; Megan Fitzgerald; Mark Flauter, Florissant Valley FPD; Lori Freeman, SCCAD&NAEMT; Joshua Freeman, Ozark Tech College; Pamela Golden, SSM SL Univ Hosp; Jordan Hembree, CMH Bolivar; Brian Hokamp, Christian EMS; Pam Jackson, St. Luke's KC; Liz Kendrick, MU Health, EMSC; Darla Long; Chris Mattes, Mercy Life Line; Taz Meyer, Meramec EMS; Dr. Dustin Neel, Univ Health-KC; Bob Patterson, Mercy Spfld; Bill Peterson, Adair Co AD; Kat Probst, Adair Co AD; Kayla Riel, MU Health, CARES; Natrice Romeo, WCAD; Heather Scruton, CMH-KC; Dr. Josh Stilley MU Health; Amanda Straatmann; Tiffany Taylor, Glennon Trauma Director; Ingrid Weaver, Mo Baptist Sullivan Hosp; Jason White, KC-MARC; Kayla Whiteaker, Cole Co EMS; Sarah Willson, MHA;

DHSS Staff present: George Miller, Interim BEMS Chief; Abbey Eskens; Nicole Gamm, Michelle Harbert; Raegen Wisner; Elizabeth Woodward, Josh Wymer

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 12:33 pm by Chair Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman. A quorum was in attendance.

Topic		Recommendations /Actions
Approval of Minutes March 26, 2024	<i>Helen Sandkuhl moved to approve the March 26, 2024minutes. Second by Mark Alexander. Motion carried.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.
Subcommittee Reports		
Pediatrics Subcommittee	<p>Summary of verbal report and Peds meeting minutes: STARS patients as well as peds trauma numbers have been up in SL ED. Peds Readiness Assessment starting May 1. Peds PREPP program being paused May 1-July 31. Safe Transport provides transport devices to EMS agencies—Dani Lee at MU is contact person. Peggy Huddleston exploring how to isolate peds data in NEMSIS. Pediatric DNR Education to go on Prodigy-start with an Ask the Expert. Dani Lee and Stephanie Ashford will draft a letter to send to agencies as a reminder on Pediatric DNR for MO. They will include resources. Pediatric Strike Team concept referred to Children and Youth in Disaster group run by Waylon Taylor. Dani Lee is contact person. Education on early recognition of Fentanyl ingestion in children being developed. Pediatric stroke destinations as well as peds trauma transfer agreements is recommended to add to peds readiness training. Peds group agrees Pediatric Readiness should be added into TCD designations. Dr. Finney will bring that proposal to the TCD Advisory Committee. SAC Peds Subcommittee and the TDAC Peds Subcommittee are meeting as one committee. Next meeting May 28th at 0900 via Teams.</p> <p>For info contact: sashford@sccad.com or tiffany.taylor2@ssmhealth.com Pediatric Subcommittee usually meets same day as SAC in midmorning.</p>	
Trauma Subcommittee Dr. Dustin Neel, Chair	<p>Pam Jackson provided minutes. Summary follows: Elizabeth Wright is the new Trauma Program Manager at Freeman Health System-West. Abbey Eskens is the new TCD Coordinator at DHSS. Nicole Gamm reported the TDAC subcommittee is discussing Level IVs and Pediatrics.</p>	

	<p>Peds Subcommittee Report given (see above). Trauma Conference May 6-8 at BJC. TRAM conference June 14 at CoxHealth. Discussion about ways to partner with EMS to improve trauma system etc. Christine Hoag-Apel, Freeman Medical Center retiring.</p> <p>Trauma Subcommittee Chair is Dr. Dustin Neel dustin.neel@tmcmcd.org Pam Jackson pjackson@saint-lukes.org Contact directly for meeting information</p>	
<p>Legislative Subcommittee Mark Alexander, Chair</p>	<p>Mark reported his subcommittee met this morning. Discussion on the FRA bill. \$2.5 billion for MO health care. Must be renewed in state law. Legislators tack bills on that makes it hared to get it passed in regular session. The base rate reimbursement from FRA will increase by \$45 in 2025. There will also be an increase in other categories. Even if this does not pass in the regular session, law makers know this bill is one that must pass—even if it means an extras session. The bill that changes SAC membership appointment from the Governor to the Director of DHSS has been voted ‘do pass.’ In general the legislators are not passing many bills. BEMS has withdrawn its request to amend .331 so out of state students could attend clinicals etc. in MO. A different approach is being explored. Jason White provided a hand out with a summary of bills affecting EMS having been filed and action taken.</p> <p>RMark.Alexander@coxhealth.com or jason.white3254@gmail.com Legislative Subcommittee meetings usually same day as SAC—in midmorning.</p>	
<p>Education Subcommittee Chuck Doss, Chair</p>	<p>Chuck Doss reported the subcommittee did not have a meeting in March. They will be involved in the conversation regarding .331 as above in the legislative subcommittee discussion.</p> <p>For info contact Chuck Doss: cdoss@health.missouri.edu Educ. Subcommittee meets 3rd Mondays at noon by conf call. Agendas and call info posted on https://health.mo.gov/safety/ems/</p>	
<p>Air Ambulance Subcommittee Ruby Mehrer, Chair</p>	<p>Chuck Doss reported air ambulances continue to deal with laser and bird strikes. The Women and Children Helipad is closing on June 14th. It will be converted into a parking lot. Reminder that the Citizens Memorial Hospital’s helipad was closed due to hospital construction. The LZ is now a grassy area.</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 Kevin Tweedy canceled his presentation scheduled for this morning. We will schedule him later on. No meeting held this month. Measles, COVID and Influenza being monitored. 54% Flu is type A and 46% is type B. Next meeting date, May 27, falls on Memorial Day. The Subcommittee may reschedule or defer until the June 23th meeting.</p> <p>Emergency Management meets 4th Monday virtually at 11:00am. For info: helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com</p>	
<p>Mobile Integrated Healthcare Justin Duncan</p>	<p>Justin Duncan per written report:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mobile Integrated Healthcare Sub-Committee</i> Report 23 April 2024</p> <p>The Missouri State Advisory Council Sub-Committee for Mobile Integrate Healthcare met virtually on 8 April 2024 @ 1100.</p>	

	<p>Missouri Medicaid has reached out to several services asking for data. This is a good sign and we look forward to what comes of this.</p> <p>Federal legislation is being filed to support MIH/CP start up programs. A great team from Missouri helped to lead the effort with Cleaver’s office. It is bipartisan with lots of support thus far. Please refer to H.R. 8042 for the details. H.R.8042 - 118th Congress (2023-2024): To authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to qualified entities to support community paramedicine programs, and for other purposes. Congress.gov Library of Congress</p> <p>EMS advocacy week in DC has many meetings set up with MIH/CP as the hot topics. Teams had 1 on 1 time with Congressman Jason Smith (Chair of Way’s & Mean’s) and it was very positive. In addition, a small group was able to present on EMS / MIH / CP to the Way’s & Mean’s majority staff. There were 25-30 staff members present. We had right at an hour with the group. There was very good conversation had and an obvious interest in CP/MIH as a structural intervention to healthcare deserts, inappropriate utilization of ED’s and primary providers, taking care of sick people in their home and saving the system a lot of money.</p> <p>There is a grant through the Patterson Foundation that we expect an answer on any time now. This would help to start up two MIH programs in Missouri and two on the Kansas side.</p> <p>Our next meeting is scheduled for 13 May 2024 @ 1100 via zoom.</p> <p>Respectfully submitted, Justin P. Duncan BS, NRP, EMT-CP, CCEMT-P, FP-C Chairman Mobile Integrated Healthcare Sub-Committee Missouri State Advisory Council for Emergency Medical Services</p> <p><i>MIH meets virtually 2nd Mondays at 11:00am. For Info: Justin Duncan JDuncan@wcadems.org</i></p>	
<p>Behavior Health Kat Probst</p>	<p><i>Kat Probst said the committee did not mee this month. However work is continuing on gaining access to the funds set aside for behavioral health non-emergency transfers. Both MO Health Care Association and MOEMSAC are working to reduce barriers. Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 3:00pm, virtual.</i></p> <p><i>Behavioral Health meets virtually the first Monday each month at 3:pm. Contact kprobst@academs.us for the link.</i></p>	
<p>Regional Medical Directors Dr. Erica Carney</p>	<p>Dr. Carney said the Regional Medical Directors are having difficulty with their schedules. She has sent out a doodle poll and will try to have a new meeting date/time selected by next month.</p> <p>Dr. Carney is speaking at the MO EMS Conf in August and will review lessons learned from the Super Bowl Parade shooting.</p> <p><i>Meetings are the 4th Monday (the day before SAC) at 10 am—Zoom. For agenda and zoom information visit: https://health.mo.gov/safety/ems/</i></p> <p><i>Contact for Inquiries:</i> <i>State Medical Director, Dr. Erica Carney, MD FAEMS</i> <i>Senior Administrative Assistant, Mendy Hull Office: 816-513-6262 mendy.hull@kcmo.org</i></p>	<p>has</p>
<p>Project Data Dr. Andrews Bowman</p>	<p>Dr. Andrews said MU and DHSS are working together to get the first steps of the data project underway. They have identified some needed changes. The pilot project will be a smaller sample and will be expanded statewide later.</p> <p>Contact Dr. Andrews Bowman if questions on the data project. Lynthia.Bowman@mymlc.com</p>	

Regional Subcommittees Reports		
Northwest Eric Reeter, Chair	Eric said the April 17 th meeting was virtual only. Pulsara was discussed. It is becoming embedded in the NW region. Next meeting May 15 th . ereeter@chillcothecity.org NW meets 3 rd Wednesdays	
Central John Clemens, Chair	John said the April meeting was spent on legislative updates. Next meeting is June. jcclemens@mcadems.com	
Southwest Bob Patterson, Chair	Bob reported the next meeting is May 17 th and will be on burn resuscitation. Arkansas is using Pulsara. I is becoming embedded in SW MO. robert.patterson@mercy.net	
Southeast Dr. John Russell, Chair	No report. John.russell@ccpasvc.com	
East Central Mark Flauter, Chair	Mark said EC met April 12. Discussion was on prehospital alerting systems including eBridge and Pulsara. Next meeting is in May. mflauter@fvfpd.com EC meets the second Fridays.	
Reg A (West Central) Dr. David Gustafson, Chair	West Central did not meet in April. Next meeting is 1 st Monday of May. Paladin11ms@gmail.com Reg A usually meets 1 st Mondays odd months at 2pm	
BEMS George Miller Interim Chief	Two SAC members have been invited to interview the two BEMS Chief candidates.	
Interstate Compact George Miller Interim BEMS Chief	Nothing significant to report right now. MOU with DHSS and MU. Data being pulled from Elite.	
Steve Bollin, DHSS	George Miller said Steve is in Baltimore. MU and BEMS are continuing to work on the process on how to pull EMS data for analysis.	
Josh Wymer, DHSS	RFP for Community Health is closed. A vendor will be chosen soon.	
TCD Advisory Committee Dr. Doug Schuerer	DHSS staff reported a meeting will be held May 16 th in person for TCD Advisory Committee members only. Others will be able to attend by Webex.	

Affiliate Reports		
EMSC, Liz Kendrick	<p>https://emspedsready.org/docs/2024%20PPRP%20Assessment%20FINAL%20for%20website%20032824.pdf posted in Chat Box by Liz. The Prehospital Pediatric Readiness Assessment can be found at this site. Please note: You will not have to answer all of these questions as there is logic built in and if you answer “no” to certain topics, it will eliminate some of these questions.</p> <p>In answer to a question, Mark Alexander posted in the Chat Box: Efforts are being made to fund Pulsara (or a like product) for the net two years in the state budget.</p>	
CARES, Kayla Riel	Year end reports nearing completion.	
Center for Quality Prehospital Care	Kayla posted: Please email Jessica Young for interest in the Center Compliance workshop and/or Grants bootcamp: bootcamp: youngjes@health.missouri.edu	
911 System, Jason White	Jason White said the 911 Board is awarding grants for joint projects. EMD calls will be able to be handed off from small 911 centers to larger ones with EMD capabilities.	
EMS Mutual Aid, Bob Patterson	Bob said EMS Mutual Aid provided support during the recent Eclipse. Two strike teams were rostered.	
TCD Managers, Jonathan Eivins	Jonathan is the SAC/TCD liaison. Goal is to be sure TCD patients are transported to a trauma center.	
TCD Advisory Committee Dr. Schuerer	Dr. Schuerer not in attendance. Dr. Josh Stilley said barriers for the TCD components need to be understood including interhospital transfers and scenes to hospitals. They are identifying a list of stakeholders. Dr. Tan said SCCAD is monitoring changes to TCD systems across the country. In two incidents, Sacramento cleared scenes in 9 minutes. Previously it took up to 45 minutes,	
Association Reports	<p>MAA – John Barclay MAA has a new website as of April 3. EMS Day at the Capitol went well. MAA participated in MO CIT by attending a class and having a booth.</p> <p>MEMSA—Justin Duncan President@memsa.org MEMSA held a two day retreat April 9-10 and worked on restructuring the business model.</p> <p>MOAAMS—Christy Dressler CDressler@cmh.edu Two regions have vacancies in the EMS Mutual Aid deputy air positions and a 3rd needs updating.</p> <p>ADAM--Ray Antonacci ray@lcad.net</p> <p>ENA--Helen Sandkuhl Helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com Training on sex trafficking is planned. SANE Nurses as available in the Emergency Dept.</p> <p>MHA-Sarah Willson</p>	

Old Business/New Business/Announcements/Open Forum	The Missouri EMS Conf & Expo has reorganized the BOD. New people have been appointed as well as expanding the number to include a 3 rd person from each MAA, MEMSA and MOAAMS to serve as an alternate.	
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be May 28 th , 2024 at 12:30pm. An agenda with the meeting info will be sent prior. Subcommittee chairs should send room requests for in person meetings to Ruby Mehrer ruby@lifeflighteagle.org	.
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned approximately 2:06 PM	

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Date Approved: May 28, 2024

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