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

Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman, Chair

MEETING SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: March 26, 2024

Truman Building, Jefferson City MO

*Due to weather conditions in parts of MO, this SAC meeting was Virtual Only
SAC is very appreciative of DHSS for providing the Webex meeting platform*

And the Truman Building AV team for their help and expertise

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, Ruby Mehrer, Helen Sandkuhl

Board Members Absent: Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick, Dr. David Tan

ATTENDEES: Stephanie Ashford, SCCAD; Megan Ashlock, Mercy SL; Keri Barclay, MHA; Sarah Brown, St. Joseph Lake SL; Ann Bruce; Dr. Erica Carney, KCFD and State Medical Director; Kelly Cope, SCCAD; Chuck Doss, MU Health; Christy Dressler, CMH-KC; Brody Eller, BJC; Ella Farrar; Megan Fitzgerald; Mark Flauter, Florissant Valley FPD; Lori Freeman, SCCAD&NAEMT; Dr. David Gustafson, Medial Director Multiple EMS; Jordan Hembree; Brian Hokamp, Christian EMS; Pam Jackson, St. Luke's KC; Jenny; Annette Keller, Mercy Springfield; Liz Kendrick, MU Health, EMSC; Teresa Lienhop Univ Health-KC; Scott Linz, CMH-KC; Darla Long; Chris Mattes, Mercy Life Line; Dean Meenach, SCCAD; Taz Meyer, Meramec EMS; Bob Patterson, Mercy Spfld; Bill Peterson; Kat Probst, Adair Co AD; Eric Reeter, Chillicothe Fire & EMS; Kelly Riedel, SSM Health; ; Kayla Riel, MU Health, CARES; Shari Riley, Bothwell Regional Hospital; Natrice Romeo; Heather Scruton, CMH-KC; Dr. Jeffery Siegler, Wash U; Tiffany Taylor, Glennon Trauma Director; Jason White, KC-MARC; Kayla Whiteaker, Cole Co EMS

DHSS Staff present: George Miller, Interim BEMS Chief; Steve Bollin; Nicole Gamm, Willian Koebel; 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 12:32 pm by Chair Dr. Lynthia Andrews Bowman. A quorum was in attendance.

Topic		Recommendations /Actions
Approval of Minutes February 27, 2024	<i>Helen Sandkuhl moved to approve the February 27 2024minutes. Second by Ben Chlapek. Motion carried.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.
Subcommittee Reports		
Pediatrics Subcommittee	<p>Tiffany Taylor reported there was discussion about volume in ED’s, also Pediatric Fentanyl OD. Subcommittee has been interested in combining SAC and TCD state meetings and then report out at both SAC and TCD state meetings. Dr. Andrews said she had no objection. Subcommittee suggests Stephanie Ashford as their Chair and Chris Magill as Vice Chair.</p> <p>For info contact: 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:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">State Advisory Council Trauma Subcommittee Link to TEAMS Meeting</p> <p>I. Introductions – Welcome to Reagan Wisner. She is new at the Division of Health and Senior Services as the Administrative Assistant to Nicole Gamm.</p> <p>II. Update from the State – Nicole reported that the TDAC group is combining the March/April meetings and time to be determined. Reminded everyone how to go to the TCD portal you go to health.mo.gov under license/regulation. Click the little box on the bottom right that says Time Critical Diagnosis. You will see a box that says you are leaving the website. There is no need to log into that website to use any of the tabs. There are plans for an online application portal to be added. The pilot has started. She said it will be able to upload documents, etc. She said there will be an interactive map on the website. There is a nurse position open and hoping to be fully staffed by this summer. She has 3 more reports from the bag log that should be done this week. David said he is working with Peggy to get the TDAC information updated. Trauma registry has no outliers. Reminders that 4th quarter data is due this week.</p> <p>III. Pediatric Subcommittee Report – Tiffany said they will be electing a new chair and co-chair. The meeting is later today.</p> <p>IV. Trauma Education</p> <p>a. Cardinal Glennon’s June 14 Midwest Pediatric Trauma Conference</p> <p>b. Decision in Trauma at CoxHealth on May 10</p>	

	<p>c. Trends in Trauma Conference is May 6-8 at Barnes Jewish Christian. There will be a DMEP course as a pre-conference.</p> <p>d. TRAM conference on June 14 at CoxHealth</p> <p>V. Performance Improvement / Injury Prevention</p> <p>a. Pam had talked with Dr. Andrews about her vision for this committee. The take away from the conversation was for this committee to look for ways to collaborate with EMS. Pam requested some brain storming some ways this might happen.</p> <p>i. The EMSC is putting out a survey for EMS to complete about pediatric readiness. It is one survey per agency. There will be a score at the end of the survey with suggestions of how to improve. It goes live in May.</p> <p>ii. Discussed bringing data about transports to share with EMS: Provide things like the #1 mechanism, the # 1 agency that brings you patients, # by air vs ground, etc.</p> <p>iii. The group suggested going back to EMS at SAC to see what they want from us.</p> <p>VI. Around the Room</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None <p>(Contact Pam Jackson if list of participants needed)</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 went through a long list of bills that have been filed. The FRA bill is not moving even though it there \$2.2 billion dollars in it for hospitals, EMS systems, and other medically related systems. At some point this will be resolved because so many depend on the money for their budgets etc.</p> <p>The bill addressing small struggling EMS agencies will help them find possible solutions if it passes.</p> <p>An Emergency Regulation has been filed for Out of Hospital Do Not Resuscitate.</p> <p>.331 wording to include out-of-state people coming into Missouri for clinical skills has been put on hold while aligning or collaborating with an existing program in Missouri can be explored.</p> <p>MIH/CP bills are continuing to make progress.</p> <p>Several EMS bills are making good progress including the one that changes how the members of SAC members are appointed.</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>Citizens Memorial Hospital in Bolivar main helipad will be closed for about 18 months while construction is taking place. The alternate landing area for helicopters will be a grassy area that will require an ambulance to complete the transfer. CMH-KC said their helicopter is a lot heavier than most and is restricted from landing on a grassy area. CMH-KC will confer directly with the hospital.</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 they had good meeting yesterday. Craig Faith working on list for contacts for disaster. Also discussed the shooting at the Chief’s parade. Service Commander Kevin Tweedy—wants to talk about response. eBridge and Pulsara discussed. Both free of charge for EMS. Nick Salzman talked about STARS --discussed kids needing equipment run by electricity when power outage –looking for solutions Opioids and Fentanyl will be the June discussion. Dr. Andrews asked if Kevin Tweedy could present in April. A representative from CMH should be invited as well. In response to Dr. Andrews question about peds strike teams, Helen said some of the nurses that respond usually have peds experience. It is always good to have more Peds people involved.</p> <p>David Seastrom said CMH-KC will have their after action-report on the Chief’s parade shooting event ENA \$25,000 x 3 years for Critical Access Hospitals to have education on peds –so initial care is given properly before transfer. Dr. Andrews encourage ENA to work with the SAC pediatric subcommittee as well..</p> <p>Discussion included pediatric readiness and pediatric strike teams in Missouri. Stephanie Ashford posted a helpful website: https://emscimprovement.center/education-and-resources/toolkits/pediatric-disaster-preparedness-toolbox/</p> <p>Dr. Carney referenced the recent MCI with DMAT—MO has ped strike team—we only the state with a Peds strike team associated with SEMA etc. Dr. Jennifer Watts (CMH-KC) is responsible for peds strike team in MO. Would like to present at SAC soon.</p> <p>Suggestions Posted in the Chat Box:</p> <p>EMSC has Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Toolkit per Stephanie Ashford https://emscimprovement.center/education-and-resources/toolkits/pediatric-disaster-preparedness-toolbox/</p> <p>Jeffrey Siegler: a better TCD notification system like Ebridge or Pulsara</p> <p>Stephanie Ashford: A state supported blood transfusion program for hemorrhagic shock.</p> <p>Teresa Lienhop UH Trauma: I would like to see performance reports for regional and state level.</p> <p>Jeffrey Siegler to.: https://naemsp.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Fentanyl_PPE_Emergency_Responders.pdf</p> <p>Jeffrey Siegler to everyone: Industrial producers of fentanyl use time-weighted average occupational exposure limits (OEL-TWA) for alfentanil (1 mcg/m3), fentanyl (0.1 mcg/m3) , and sufentanil (0.032 mcg/m3) to limit exposure [17]. At the highest airborne concentration encountered by workers, an unprotected individual would require nearly 200 minutes of exposure to reach a dose of 100 mcg of fentanyl.</p> <p>Jeffrey Siegler: https://emscimprovement.center/domains/pediatric-readiness-project/</p> <p>Jeffrey Siegler: https://emscimprovement.center/domains/prehospital-care/prehospital-pediatric-readiness/</p> <p>Keri Barclay: There is an EMResource that show the EMS entities that has EMSC designations and there is a dashboard with peds ready information.</p> <p>Emergency Management meets 4th Monday virtually at 11:00am. For info: helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com</p>	

Mobile Integrated Healthcare Justin Duncan	Justin Duncan per written report: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March meeting cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. 2. Progress is being made at the federal level regarding TIP and TAD; it appears that MIH / CP will either be a part of that mix or added in at some point. 3. National Rural Healthcare Association officially supporting MIH/CP work. 4. EMS Day in DC coming up April 17, 18 and MIH/CP expected to be a hot topic. 5. Healthy Blue is engaging several services to discuss contracted MIH/CP work utilizing CPT codes. Very much in the infancy of conversations, but worth mentioning. <p>MIH meets virtually 2nd Mondays at 11:00am. For Info: Justin Duncan JDuncan@wcadems.org</p>	
Behavior Health Kat Probst	Kat reported that there is \$5million available for reimbursement for nonemergency behavioral health transfers. Being able to bill for it has been problematic. MOEMSCAC is now trying to get money into EMS hands. Webinars are being held to educate EMS on how to handle alternate destinations. MHA is doing a 12-week webinar series that will include some behavior health issues. <p>Behavioral Health meets virtually the first Monday each month at 3:pm. Contact kprobst@academs.us for the link.</p>	
Regional Medical Directors Dr. Erica Carney	Dr. Carney said the March meeting was cancelled. She is going to do a poll to look at a better date to meet so more people can attend. No update on the data project from this group. The RMD are on board with revision of the appointment process as that issue continues to progress. <p>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/</p> <p>Contact for Inquiries: State Medical Director, Dr. Erica Carney, MD FAEMS Senior Administrative Assistant, Mendy Hull Office: 816-513-6262 mendy.hull@kcmo.org</p>	has
Project Data Dr. Andrews Bowman	Dr. Andrews said conversations are continuing with Dr. Julie Stilley, Steve Bollin and Josh Wymer. <p>Contact Dr. Andrews Bowman if questions on the data project. Lynthia.Bowman@mymlc.com</p>	
Regional Subcommittees Reports		
Northwest Eric Reeter, Chair	Met March 20 Some hospitals in the NW Region are getting ready to go on line with Pulsara April 1. One EMS service needs a tax to pass to continue as is. ereeter@chillcothecity.org NW meets 3 rd Wednesdays	
Central John Clemens, Chair	No meeting recently. Next meeting in April. jcclemens@mcadems.com	
Southwest Bob Patterson, Chair	Bob Patterson reported: Met last Friday. Joe McTaggart addressed Emotional Intelligence and Burnout. Committee nominations reviewed. Trying to get more people appointed to the committee. SW is moving towards Pulsara as quickly as possible. Kayla Riel did updates on EMSC. Timberlock Lake area working on election to sustain EMS in very southern part of state.	

	May 17 th is the next meeting. robert.patterson@mercy.net	
Southeast Dr. John Russell, Chair	No report John.russell@ccpasvc.com	
East Central Mark Flauter, Chair	Mark Flauter said EC met March 8 th . Peds trauma criteria discussed. Also talked about lights and sirens response—it will be discussed further in April. There is one position open on the EC Regional Committee. mflauter@fvfpd.com EC meets the second Fridays.	
Reg A (West Central) Dr. David Gustafson, Chair	Dr. Gustafson said the last West Central meeting was March 4 th . Dr. Gustafson resigned as chair but he has not yet replaced. David Seastrom presented on TXA and peds patients—Dr. Gustafson said TXA was an important part of prehospital protocols. Next meeting is May 6 at 1pm. Going through proper channels to get new chair. Paladin11ms@gmail.com Reg A usually meets 1 st Mondays odd months at 2pm	
BEMS George Miller Interim Chief	George reported Bureau Chief position posted end date is April 4 th . There are 5 applicants including George—hope to get the two inspector position filled soon as well.	
Interstate Compact George Miller Interim BEMS Chief	No updates since last meeting.	
Steve Bollin, DHSS	DHSS is tracking legislation. DJSS Director talked about the potential of combining education—looking for grants etc for EMTs and Paramedics. Will be having a meeting to assess needs, how to help get new candidates in the field of EMT and Paramedic. TCD: working on legislation—getting language amenable. Waiting to see what happens with state budget.	
TCD Advisory Committee Dr. Doug Schuerer	Nothing to add. Meeting monthly on alternate Wed or Thurs a 3pm, virtual.	
Affiliate Reports		
EMSC, Liz Kendrick	No report.	
CARES, Kayla Riel	2023 Annual Report will be out soon. Willing to share data for research CARES training available. Aug 10-11 CARES will be at the state fair. Received a grant—'Heart Squad' will teach hands only CPR. Center for Quality Prehospital Care would like to be added to the SAC agenda. Dr. Andrews indicated she would be glad to have their report added. Jessica Young—works with Kayla. She will be doing grant workshop.	

	Kayla and Dr. Stillely also hosted education. In August Paul Schueller will do report workshops. Let Kayla know if you want to be added distribution list.	
911 System, Jason White	Draft regulation on defining EMD in final phase Open grant opportunities available.. There are still 8-9 counties that have no 911 but all have been evaluated and received grants—should have entire state on 911 level before too long	
EMS Mutual Aid, Bob Patterson	Discussed KCMO parade response. Some improvements identified but really good work overall. Some eclipse planning in Region C and E on April 8 th . May have someone on site SE corner of MO and part of Arkansas.	
TCD Managers	This report is added to help explore how TCD can help EMS and how EMS can benefit the TCD. David Seastrom said there is a need to have good communication.	
Old Business	SAC bill on DHSS appointing SAC members—Jason said it is very well positioned. Allows the associations etc to nominate and provide names to DHSS for appointment.	
Association Reports	MAA -- Kat Probst kprobst@academs.us Bob Patterson reported board member training around the state, education provided for the Amb District board members—also have summer education planned . MEMSA —Justin Duncan President@memsa.org MIH grants etc. have given MEMSA opportunity to explore restructuring its purpose, bylaws etc. The Board has a retreat planned April 9-10 to discuss these changes. MOAAMS —Christy Dressler CDressler@cmh.edu discussed conf and scholarships for the conference. ADAM --Ray Antonacci ray@lcad.net ENA --Helen Sandkuhl Helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com Have been doing Pediatric educ for Critical Access Hosp.	
New Business and Announcements		
Open Forum	Josh Wymer, DHSS. Will be working with TCD and EMS data. Taz looking forward to seeing everyone next month. Things going well at his new position at Meramec Amb. District. Brody Eller meeting with small amb districts. Public Information Officer courses available --should take them so you are more effective with getting tax increases etc.	
Next Meeting	The next meeting will be April 23, 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 2:00 PM	

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Date Approved: April 23, 2024

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