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MICHIGAN EMS COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Friday, November 16, 2018

9:30 a.m.

Livingston County EMS

1911 Tooley Rd

Howell, MI 48855

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Dr. Edwards.

Attendance:

Present: A. Abbas; D. Condino; B. Grubb for K. Cummings; Dr. Dunne; Dr. K.D. Edwards; Dr. M. Fill (via phone); G. Flynn; B. Forbush (via phone); W. Hart; F. Jalloul; B. Kincaid ; C. Lake; S. Myers (via phone); M. Nye; D. Pratt (via phone); E. Smith; T. Sorensen (via phone); A. Sundberg (via phone); C. Tafoya; B. Trevithick; G. Wadaga; Dr. S. Wise; Representative J. Yaroch (via phone).

Absent: J. Bullen (retired); L. Sincock; Senator Casperson; D. Fedewa; G. Scafidi; J. Boyd; H. Rennie-Brown; K. Wilkinson; Christine Baker; A. Sledge.

BETP Representatives: K. Wahl; S. Kerr; E. Bergquist; N. Babb; Dr. Fales; E. Worden; Derek Flory-Mullins (via phone); E. Hendy (via phone); K. Putman (via phone); K. Kuhl (via phone).

Guests: Bob Miljan, HEMS (via phone); Chris Haney, Star EMS; Dr. David Strong, Henry Ford Health System; Carol Robinette, Superior Ambulance; Angela Madden, MAAS; Dr. Robert Swor; Damon Gorelick, DEMCA; Trevis Bachmann, Z-Media; Michael Kotulak, Beaumont; Erik Lyons, LCC; Anthony Cerroni, Schoolcraft College; Marvin Helmker, LCC; Dr. Robert Domeier, Washtenaw Livingston MCA; Sean Larkins, Detroit Fire; Michelle Harper, Tri County MCA; Dr. Christine Brent, Washtenaw Livingston MCA; Dr. David Pastoor, Dorsey Emergency Medical Academy; Dr. Noel Wagner, Saginaw-Tuscola MCA; Dale Berry; Dion Stumpo (via phone); David Cutway, Green Lake Township EMS (via phone); Bob Kirkley, Aspirus (via phone).

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda: Lake, Wadaga. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from 9/21/2018 with the addition of guests to be provided by A. Sundberg: Trevithick, Lake. Motion carried.

Introduction of Special Guests- Presentation by Mahshid Abir, MD, MSc, University of Michigan, regarding "EPOC Project".

- Dr. Abir presented an update on the Enhancing Pre-Hospital Outcomes for Cardiac Arrest (EPOC) study.
- Questions:
 - Bruce Trevithick asked how the eight communities were chosen. Dr. Abir went over the factors involved, including population density and number of runs.
 - Bill Hart asked about the rural critical access hospitals. He stated 3.8 million Michiganders were left out of the study and their voice is not included. Dr. Abir addressed. She said the critical access hospitals were not considered and she will take that feedback back and thanked Bill for bringing it back.



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- Chris Lake asked about dispatch. Dr. Abir said this is not broken down due to methodological restrictions. Dispatch is a critical component and may have to be a separate study on its own.
- Dr. Swor asked if they would be talking to patients. Dr. Abir explained that she tried to get this included and was outvoted. She continues to push for this.

Announcements:

Reminders of upcoming educational opportunities:

- The State has two webinars scheduled and is looking to schedule one in January. Registration for both webinars is through [MI-TRAIN](#).
 - Emergency Preparedness: Recent Events by Dr. Edwards on November 21st, 2018. Course ID: 1081419.
 - LVAD: What is it? What do we do? by Andy Griffith on December 19th, 2018. Course ID: 1081457.
- Andrea Abbas said the [Michigan Center for Rural Health](#) is working on webinars as well.

Introduction of new EMSCC Members:

- Kathy welcomed the new members and introduced them to the group.
 - Christine Baker, Emergency Nurses Association
 - Harriet Rennie-Brown, 911 Administrator
 - Farah Jalloul, Michigan Pharmacist Association
 - She serves as the Emergency Preparedness Coordinator.
 - Captain Casey Tafoya, Genesee County Sherriff
 - Works with the Paramedic Unit and is an ER nurse at McLaren.
 - Andrea Abbas, Michigan Center for Rural Health
 - She is the EMS Program Manager
 - She is still working as a Paramedic Supervisor, as well.
 - Alicia Sledge, Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning.

Old Business & Committee Reports

Strategic Planning Update/EMS Systems Report by K. Wahl:

- At the January meeting, Kathy will be doing a formal presentation update on the Strategic Plan.
- The Michigan Physician Ordered Scope of Treatment (MI POST) committee has been meeting. There have been very productive meetings. The [MI POST protocol draft](#) has been developed and has been posted for [comment](#). Kathy explained this is different than DNR.
- The MI EMSIS v. 3.4 transition is in progress.
 - Those agencies not reporting in the new version have been identified and letters have gone out. MCAs have been notified, as well.
 - Elite Bridge is being provided for free.
 - The three MI-EMSIS webinars done earlier in the year are now posted on the EMS [website](#), with registration through MI-TRAIN.
 - An Elite Agency set up guide has been created.
 - If additional technical assistance is needed, we are more than happy to meet with them.



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- Kathy stated we have not been doing the best job managing this transition. The cutoff date for Version 2 will be January 1st, 2019. This is a year past the original cutoff. The 16th of January will be the cutoff for importing data.
- Josh Legler has been working with the vendors. The agencies will be informed of the vendors standing.
- Bruce Trevithick asked about Version 2 data and Kathy referred him to Kevin Putman for technical questions.
- The Version 2 data will always be available, per Kevin Putman, but he is not sure what this will look like in the future.
- Imagetrend is not capable of combining the two data sets.
- CoPEM/EMSC: Interviews for a new coordinator will be happening this month. We have been working with HRSA. HRSA has been asking for mandatory pediatric representation and Kathy provided data to prove this. The blankets and caps for newborns and the MI-MEDIC cards will be sent out from the EMS office.
- Interviews will be done for a new Data Coordinator, as well as an Administrative Technician. Kathy will not be replacing her secretary position and Nicole Babb will be the POC for the EMSCC again.
- The EMS Rules reviews continue forward in the subcommittees.
- Emily did a brief presentation of Biospatial for the group. Data is uploaded through April 22nd, 2018. The reporting is instantaneous and is capable of things that Imagetrend can't do. Heat maps can be produced, and Emily demonstrated to the group. Version 2 data will be imported and eventually, the data will be real time.
- Emily showed the group how to get into Imagetrend Elite and access the reports that were developed by Josh Legler. Emily showed the group reports available in Report Writer and demonstrated how to get to them and run them. One of the reports will show if agencies in an MCA are not reporting.
 - Chris Lake asked if this is being attached to the CAD. Emily said it is only what is in MI-EMSYS.
 - Once this is up and running, it will be amazing and available to you.
 - Imagetrend does not have the capability of combining data from the two versions.

EMS Medical Director Update by Dr. Fales:

- Dr. Fales spoke about a provider safety incident in Philadelphia. Flu vaccinations were administered by a Paramedic. The EMS personnel became unresponsive and were transported to the hospital. The paramedic was sent back to retrieve the medication given and it was determined that horse tranquilizer had been administered in error.
- The [American Heart Association](#) released updated [resuscitation guidelines](#). The update was brief, and the main change was reintroducing lidocaine for shock resistant defibrillation. Michigan had added lidocaine in the newest protocol release.
- Dr. Fales and Dr. Swor attended the [Resuscitation Science Symposium](#) in Chicago earlier in November. Dr. Fales presented some of the highlights from various studies discussed at the symposium to the group.



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Emergency Preparedness Update by Dr. Edwards:

- The CHEMPAK CDC visits were completed in October.
- The MI Burn Surge Facility Exercise was conducted October 30, 2018. It was the first time there was a component for EMS. Dr. Edwards thanked everyone that participated. Chris Haney talked about his experience with participation.
- There is a great resource for providers on the [ASPR TRACIE website](#) specific to infectious diseases called the [EMS Infectious Disease Playbook](#).
- The Healthcare Coalition Medical Directors and people from the State office met with Dr. Kevin Yeskey, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response in Detroit. This was a great opportunity to showcase what is being done in Michigan.

Trauma Systems Report by E. Worden:

- System development continues to move forward. There are now 82 verified and designated trauma centers.
- There are 36 facilities in the queue for designation site visits. Focus visits are being scheduled for those already designated, as well.
- 30 new site reviewers were trained in September.
- They are hoping to have a full-time epidemiologist registrar in January.
- There are over 286,000 incidents are in the registry. The next call for data is December 15th.
- The Stop the Bleed initiative is being supported in all the regions. Kits were purchased to support training and at least 4,000 people have been trained so far. Trainings are ongoing.
- Hospitals used some of the trauma grant funds for BCON, as well. Data is being gathered and a report will be generated and posted on how those funds were expended.
- An expert writing group was convened for stroke and STEMI. They hope to bring a presentation to the EMSCC in late winter or early spring.
- Trauma is working on a Strategic Plan. Five workgroups are meeting, and it is expected to present to STAC in the spring.

Committee Reports

- **Quality Assurance Task Force by Dr. Edwards –**
 - A MI POST draft was presented to the QATF.
 - These comments are due in 60 days. Information is above in Kathy's report.
 - Protocol updates were sent out.
 - The protocols are dynamic, and Dr. Edwards expressed appreciation for feedback from the field.
 - Emily briefly discussed the types of changes and reiterated the MI POST comments are due in 60 days.
 - The committee has just started the process of the administrative rules.
- **Ambulance Operations by Monty Nye –**
 - No meeting since the rules were completed.
 - The next meeting is scheduled for 11/27/2018 to review the equipment list.



- **Medical Control Authority by Bruce Trevithick –**
 - The committee has not met, but Emily is doing work behind the scenes with QATF to complete the rule revisions.
- **Education by Kathy Wahl –**
 - The curricula are being updated for all levels, and MFR will be posted soon.
 - The task analysis forms are being updated and fixed.
 - An internal education process committee in the office to make process improvements, such as PDF fillable forms and other simplifications.
- **By-Laws by Jeff Boyd –**
 - The committee has not met.
- **Data by Bonnie Kincaid –**
 - The committee is meeting every other month.
 - The next meeting is December 19th, 2018.
 - Bonnie spoke about the vendor reports done by Josh Legler.
 - The performance measures were sent out with the agenda.
- **Legislative by Bruce Trevithick–**
 - Bruce sent out four bills to the group.
 - HB 6058, 6059, 6060 and 6110. There are no recommendations currently. These bills do not technically impact EMS, as they are treated separately than other healthcare providers.
 - HB 6386. This bill would require EMS providers to give patients who are victims of assaultive crimes both verbal and written information about services offered by crime survivor recovery centers. There is only one of these centers in the state. **Motion to support the recommendation to oppose as written: Trevithick, Kincaid. Approved.**
 - SB 929 (S1): This bill was previously reviewed and opposed. Since that time, a substitute bill was introduced that address the concerns. The reference to “micropolitan area” was removed. **Motion to support the legislative committee’s recommendation of support of the bill in the substitute form as long as it is unchanged with the exception of the potential need to address terminology for Specialist/Advanced EMT. Wadaga, Hart. Approved.**
- **Rural by Gary Wadaga–**
 - Nothing to report. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 11/20/2018.
- **Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine by K. Wahl –**
 - Covered in Kathy’s report above.
- **EMS Safety Ad Hoc by Chris Lake –**
 - The committee last met on October 15th, 2018.
 - Representatives from the [Center for Patient Safety](#) gave a presentation of a survey geared towards EMS that they have been developing to assess the “Culture of Safety”. It focuses on both patient and provider safety. Chris went over some details and logistics of the survey for the group and answered questions. The survey target date is January 2019. Michigan is the first state to attempt a survey this large. NREMT is validating the questions.
 - Denise Landis from Survival Flight presented to the committee on safety. Chris went over some of what was presented.



- The Safety Committee will be preparing some presentations for EMS Expo.
 - They will be able to discuss the survey and the toolkit being developed.
- The next meeting is November 19th, 2018.
- **Critical Care Ad Hoc by Emily Bergquist –**
 - The committee has been meeting regularly.
 - They have the ideal curriculum and scope of practice almost finished and they hope to present to the EMSCC in January. This will also be shared with the Education Subcommittee.
 - They are moving on to the agency piece.
- **Community Integrated Paramedicine Workgroup by Krisy Kuhl –**
 - Scope and Role is complete
 - Objectives are outlined.
 - There will be two levels. Krisy explained this.
 - In January, the subgroups focus will be Data and Legislative.
 - The CIP grant proposals were reviewed, and funding was focused for this round of grants on educating new CIP providers. There were 5 new programs that are going to be training providers to implement programs in areas of the state that do not already have programs in place. Grants also went to some already established programs for various educational projects.
 - More grant opportunities will be offered in early 2019.
 - The grants were made possible through the Michigan Health Endowment Fund grant the Division received.
 - The CIP committees have been meeting regularly and finalizing curriculum
 - Meetings have been held with various payers and potential payers that will benefit CIP programs including Blue Cross.
 - Krisy will be working with a variety of professional provider groups to provide information about how CIP can benefit their patients.

New Business

- **Bennet Bill Applications**
 - Green Lake Township Emergency Services Bennet Bill Conditional Upgrade Application
 - Dave Cutway went over the request for the upgrade.
 - Green Lake Township is in Interlochen.
 - **Motion to approve: Lake, Smith. Approved.**

Membership Round Table Report –

- Bruce Trevithick asked if there was an update on First Net. Kathy addressed. The governor has already signed on to this and we will be a First Net state. This will take a while to implement in Michigan, as the towers are mostly Verizon and AT&T is the First Net vendor. Kathy said the MPSC will drive this. Captain Tafoya spoke to this, as well. Dr. Fales said Oakland County has switched over. Dr. Edwards said everyone will probably receive calls. Captain Tafoya said one incentive they are offering is priority in emergencies.
- Bill Hart gave an update on the sustainability survey in Western Mackinac County. He hopes to make a presentation at the Rural Health Conference in the Spring.



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- Gary Wadaga spoke about a vein finder being stolen after an hour of being in service. It was able to be recovered.
- Greg Flynn said the IC Society Conference will be in March. They would like to put together a panel on EMS issues. Please contact Greg if you are interested or know of someone. They are looking for people to take hard questions in the audience.
- Rep. Yaroch asked if Greg Flynn would please send information on the IC Conference to his office. Greg agreed.
- Dr. Edwards discussed a unique training he attended with law enforcement, EMS students and fire academy students for working as a team during active violence incidents. He spoke to the importance of interagency cooperation.

Public Comment –

- Dr. Swor spoke about the Save MI Heart Initiative. The next conference is 4/26/2019 at Livingston County EMS. The focus will be on the in-hospital piece. A small grant was approved to improve telecommunicator CPR instructions. This will be a 3-4-hour course and they are looking for sites. An online module is being worked on, as well.

NEXT MEETING: January 18th, 2019 at Livingston County EMS

Adjournment: **Motion to adjourn was made at 11:42 a.m.: Wadaga, Hart. Approved.**