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MICHIGAN EMS COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Friday, March 16, 2018

9:30 AM

Livingston County EMS

1911 Tooley Rd

Howell, MI 48855

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:35am by Dr. Edwards

Attendance

Present: J. Boyd; D. Condino; K. Cummings; Dr. R. Dunne; Dr. K.D. Edwards; Dr. M. Fill; G. Flynn; B. Forbush; W. Hart; B. Kincaid; C. Lake; S. Myers; M. Nye; D. Pratt; G. Scafidi; E. Smith; T. Sorensen; A. Sundberg; B. Trevithick; K. Wilkinson; Dr. S. Wise

Absent: J. Bullen; Senator Casperson; D. Fedewa; L. Sincock; G. Wadaga; Representative J. Yaroch

BETP Representatives: K. Saterlee-Fink; K. Wahl; S. Slee; Dr. J. Scott; E. Bergquist; K. Kuhl; via phone – K. Putman; J. Allen; E. Worden; Dr. W. Fales

Others: Bob Miljan, HEMS; Dion Stumpo, White Lakes Ambulance; Damon Obiden, Western Michigan Regional Medical Consortium; Dave Gealer, Universal Ambulance; Pete Rogers, Beaumont Health; Chris Haney, Star EMS; Erik Snidersich, STMCA; Michael Kotulak, Beaumont Health; Damon Gorelick, DEMCA; Michelle Harper, TCEMCA; Harvy Holland, White Lake Township Fire; Dr. Robert Domeier, WLMCA; Dr. David Strong, DEMCA; Noel Wagner, STMCA; Tory Haddad, STMCA; Richard Terrell, Jackson Fire Department; Chris Lisak, Redford Township Fire Department

Introduction of Special Guests:

- M. Nye introduced his special guests from the IAFF
- Dr. Edwards recognized and thanked Dr. Jackie Scott and Glenda Dolehanty for their contributions to the EMS System. Both will be retiring at the end of the month.

Approval of Agenda - Motion to approve the agenda: M. Nye, C. Lake. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – Motion to Approve Minutes from January 19, 2018 meeting: T. Sorensen, M. Nye. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Reminders of upcoming educational opportunities:

- The Michigan EMS Expo will be held May 3-5, 2018 at Mission Point on Mackinac Island.
- The Save MI Heart Initiative: Doubling Cardiac Arrest Survival by 2020 Conference will be held May 11, 2018 at the Beaumont Troy Hospital Mocerri Family Learning Center with keynote speaker Terry VandenHoek, MD from the University of Chicago Medicine. Dr. Fales stated a satellite site will be available in Kalamazoo to encourage participation from the west side as well.



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Old Business & Committee Reports

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

- Rule review meetings are still being conducted by the subcommittees. This is a lengthy process consistent with the medium to long range goal in the strategic plan.
- CAAS accredited EMS agencies, which are generally not inspected by the State may have spot validation inspections.
- The Recruitment and Retention Workgroup will be sending a workforce assessment survey to all providers, MCAs and physicians via Survey Monkey. A recruitment campaign for EMS personnel is in development with MDHHS Communications and the Brogan Agency. It will begin in late March or early April. Due to the aging workforce, and a large gap in the number of younger EMS providers, the primary target audience is 18-25-year-olds, with a secondary focus on older individuals who are seeking a new career. The campaign will be conducted via social media.
- Data continues to move forward with the main focus of having all agencies submitting data in NEMSIS 3.4. Kathy has worked with the ESO vendor (a major vendor of MI EMS agencies) to resolve identified issues at a statewide level rather than having individual agencies have to make the changes. E. Bergquist and K. Putman are providing MCAs access to report writer as discussed at the January meeting.
- Currently, The Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness has the following positions open: Trauma Regional Coordinator for regions 2 North and region 5; A Systems of Care Coordinator will be hired through Michigan Public Health Institute (MPHI); A Licensing Technician will be hired through MPHI; and an EMS Regional Coordinator for the Central Michigan area will be hired through MPHI to replace Glenda Dolehanty. E. Bergquist discussed Community Paramedicine (CP) and introduced Krisy Kuhl as the new Community Paramedic Coordinator. Krisy will be meeting with all of the current CP special studies programs, conducting technical assistant visits, and facilitating further development of CP in MI.

Emergency Preparedness Update by Dr. Edwards:

- The Community Health Emergency Coordination Center (CHECC) is still activated for Hepatitis A.
- A MI-TESA exercise will be scheduled for September in Kalamazoo County.
- The 46th Annual Eastern Great Lakes Burn Conference will be held September 20-21, 2018 in Ann Arbor, MI. Additional information to follow.
- An ASPR TRACIE webinar on Health Care Responses to a No-Notice Incident, Las Vegas. (1000 attendance cap) will be held March 28, 2018 from 1:00-2:30 pm. Go to the ASPR TRACIE website to register: <https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/>
- ASPR TRACIE Active Shooter and Workplace Violence Resources are available at: <https://asprtracie.hhs.gov/>
- Interactive Web Based Courses are offered through FEMA's Independent Study Program at <https://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.aspx>



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Trauma Systems Report by E. Worden:

- Currently there are 62 designated trauma facilities in the state. The provisional period ends October 31, 2018. Only three facilities did not submit their applications, but the DET has been informed that they do intend to participate and will be submitting their paperwork.
- The verification/designation forms are currently being revised.
- A review training will be conducted for all site reviewers in 2018.
- House Bill-5459, which eliminates the sunset on trauma system funding, is currently with the house appropriations committee.

Committee Reports

- **Quality Assurance Task Force by Dr. Edwards** – The next meeting is scheduled for March 23rd at 10:00am. The protocols are in the final stages of completion. Dr. Edwards expressed a heartfelt thank you to Emily Bergquist on the extensive time she spent working on the updated protocols.
- **Ambulance Operations by Monty Nye** – The committee met February 28th and new recommendations for ambulance equipment were made based on updated protocols. The next meeting is scheduled for May 30th. Review of the administrative rules will take place in May. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards will be published in April. The rule revisions suggested by the committee and approved by the EMSCC regarding vehicle standards is in process. The public hearing is the next step. The committee will be notified of the date and time and location.
- **Medical Control Authority by Bruce Trevithick** – The administrative rules meeting was rescheduled for 9:00am on April 2nd at the BETP office.
- **Education by Kevin Wilkinson**– The February meeting was canceled due to weather and will be rescheduled.
- **By-Laws by Jeff Boyd**– The subcommittee has not met. A meeting will be scheduled.
- **Data by Bonnie Kincaid**–The Committee met in February and had a very productive meeting.
 - A presentation was made by Biospatial, on their capability to create public health surveillance type reports (for example opioid overdose/naloxone use) from the NEMSIS data. They are funded by several Federal Agencies, and access is provided to the States that participate free of charge. The data that is provided to Biospatial by NEMSIS is aggregated and de-identified. Biospatial is also working with the TRCCs in several states to integrate prehospital data with crash data. The committee recommends that the state participate.
 - The issue of data validation remains a concern due to the number of vendors and past mapping issues with v. 2.2. K. Wahl reported that there has been discussion with an independent contractor, Josh Legler, who is very experienced with NEMSIS and MI EMSIS, who would focus on vendor data validity for NEMSIS v.3.4.
 - Some of the Regional Medical Control Authority Networks (RMCANs) are discussing using their funding for a data consultant as well to focus on the agency level data input.
 - Justin Allen reported that the total number of transporting agencies that are currently not reporting in either v. 2.2 or v. 3.4 is 8 agencies. He is working with them to bring them on-board. The main issue for not reporting is technical issues. There are currently



113 non-transporting agencies that are not reporting in any version of MI EMSIS. The non-transporting agencies will be the next focus.

- **Legislative by Bruce Trevithick–**
 - **SB-0784, SB-0785, SB-0786 & SB-0827– DNR for children** – Lower the eligibility for DNR and establish parameters of DNR for schools. The legislative subcommittee felt that the rule needs to be revised for clarity regarding EMS. The Legislative committee made no specific recommendation to the EMSCC and brought this forward to the EMSCC for their recommendation.
 - **Motion to oppose as written. M. Nye, K. Wilkinson. Motion carried.**
 - **SB-0890/HB 5623 – Violence Prevention Programs** – Requirements of health facilities, which includes EMS agencies, to develop a violence prevention plan and provide annual reporting to the State. This Michigan Nurses Association provided the impetus for this bill. Committee recommended to oppose the current bill.
 - **Motion to oppose – M. Nye, C. Lake. Motion carried.**
 - **HB-5460 and HB-5461 – Training EMS on Overdoses** – Require training for EMS providers, especially Paramedics and MFR, as well as law enforcement to care for drug overdose patients. EMS providers are already trained. Recommendation made to oppose.
 - **Motion to oppose – J. Boyd, C. Lake. Motion carried.**
 - **HB-5497 – Drones** – Individuals are not knowingly or intentionally to use drones around paramedics while on a call. Committee recommended support of this bill.
 - **Motion to support. D. Condino, R. Dunne. Motion carried.**
 - **HB-5613, HB-5614, SB-0832, SB-0834 – Emergency Contraceptive Education** – Provide contraceptives to individuals who allege they have been sexually assaulted and administer medication. EMS providers are not prescribers and the medication is outside of the scope of practice for EMS providers. The committee recommended to oppose.
 - **Motion to support the opposition of the Legislative committee. C. Lake, R. Dunne. Motion carried.**
 - **HB-5615 – Opioid antagonist (naloxone) Requirement for MFR & BLS** – Require MFR and BLS to carry naloxone. Discussion ensued that there is a mechanism in place for MFR and BLS to carry naloxone per MCA assessment of need and approval. Committee suggested language changes to response and to oppose.
 - **Motion to support the opposition of the Legislative committee. B. Kincaid, D. Condino. Motion carried.**
 - **Substitute for HB-5152 and HB-5153 – Non-Opioid Directive** – No changes affecting EMS language.
 - **Bill 5459 Removal of Trauma System funding sunset date** – This bill removes the sunset date for crime victims funding of the MI EMS and trauma system thereby creating a stable funding source. Motion to support bill as long as it's only removing Sunset language – B. Trevithick, C. Lake. Motion carried.
- **Rural by Bill Forbush for Gary Wadaga**– B. Forbush reported the rural subcommittee continues to work on the white paper regarding the challenges of rural EMS.
- **Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine (CoPEM) by Justin Allen**– The committee met and evaluated infant warming blankets and caps that would be used for newborns. It is critical that newborn infants be kept warm. The final selection of warming blankets can be used safely with



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the previously purchased pediatric restraint systems or in an appropriate infant car seat if necessary. They are economical to replace and they have a 3 year expiration date. Caps are also vital to help keep newborn infants warm and the type purchased are lined and were recommended by neo-natal nurses. The caps do not have an expiration date. These will be purchased and shipped to all agencies transporting and non-transporting. The next meeting will be held at 9:00am April 12th at the BETP office.

- **EMS Safety Ad Hoc by Kathy Wahl** – The first meeting will be held at 10:00am April 19th at the BETP office.
- **Critical Care Ad Hoc by Emily Bergquist** – The committee is working on components of critical care paramedic education and developing a matrix to help establish what critical care is and importantly, what it is not. The next meeting will be held at 1:00pm April 10th at the BETP office.
- Community Paramedicine Workgroup (Reported on in Strategic Planning Report).

New Business

Bedford Township Conditional Upgrade Bennett Bill Application – Sabrina Slee and Derek Flory-Mullins reviewed all documents and reported that everything is in order. The DET would support the upgrade.

Motion to approve - B. Forbush, M. Nye. Motion carried.

Membership Round Table Report –

- Jeff Boyd, Bill Hart and Dr. Edwards thanked Dr. Jackie Scott and Glenda Dolehanty for their years of service and dedication to EMS and congratulated them on their retirements.

Public Comment – There were no public comments.

NEXT MEETING: May 18, 2018 at Livingston County EMS

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made at 11:24am - N. Nye, B. Kincaid. Motion carried.