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MICHIGAN EMS COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Friday, January 19, 2018
9:30 AM
Livingston County EMS
1911 Tooley Rd
Howell, MI 48855

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:43 AM by Dr. Edwards

Attendance

Present: J. Boyd, J. Bullen, D. Condino, K. Cummings, Dr. R. Dunne, Dr. K.D. Edwards, Dr. M. Fill, G. Flynn, B. Trevithick, K. Wilkinson, Dr. S. Wise, B. Grubb-alternate for G. Wadaga, W. Hart, Dr. B. Kincaid, C. Lake, S. Myers, M. Nye, E. Smith, Representative J. Yaroch; Via Phone: D. Pratt, G. Scafidi, L. Sincock, T. Sorensen, A. Sundberg

Absent: Senator Casperson, D. Fedewa, B. Forbush

BETP Representatives: K. Saterlee-Fink, S. Slee, E. Worden; Via Phone: K. Wahl, E. Bergquist, K. Putman, Dr. W. Fales

Others: Chris Haney, Star EMS; Kolby Miller, MedStar; Dave Miller, Star EMS; Damon Obiden, Western Michigan Regional Medical Consortium; Eric Snidersich, STMCA; David Strong, Henry Ford Health System; Noel Wagner, STMCA; Erik Lyons, Lansing Community College; Marvin Helmker, Lansing Community College; Harvy Holland, White Lake Township Fire; Mike Chesney, Survival Flight; Angela Madden, MAAS; Andrew Goodrich, Central Michigan University; Jim Etzin, Farmington Hills Fire Department; Dr. Robert Swor, Beaumont; Via Phone: Donald McMullen, Cedar Area Fire & Rescue; Andrew Brown, Superior Ambulance; Bob Miljan, HEMS; Dave Gealer, Universal Ambulance; Dion Stumpo, White Lake Ambulance; Bob Kirkley, Aspirus EMS; Carol, Superior.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve: M. Nye, G. Flynn. **Motion Carried.**

Approval of Minutes: Motion to Approve Minutes from November 2017 meeting: M. Nye, R. Dunne. **Motion Carried.**

Old Business

Committee Member Information:

- K. Saterlee reminded all members to submit their alternates to her via email Saterleek@Michigan.gov.
- Individuals interested in serving on a subcommittee, please contact Jeff Boyd at Jboyd@livgov.com.

Data Submission:

- K. Wahl reported that J. Allen continues to provide outreach to agencies that have appear not to be submitting data. This has resulted in an increase in the agencies that are submitting in a timely manner.
- It has been determined that much of the issues surrounding non-reporting is due to technical glitches with some of the vendors. For example, agencies submit data, but it does not transmit



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correctly and no failure alert is generated. This has happened with ESO, which is one of the largest vendors. In addition, ESO does not automatically upload hospital identification codes. Each agency must enter their own codes. The State and ESO users have addressed this with ESO, but the vendor has not resolved the issue. The codes are available on the NEMESIS website, and a link will be placed on the Michigan EMS website. If an agency is experiencing issues, they are encouraged to contact J. Allen at allenj29@michigan.gov, or K. Putman at putmank@michigan.gov

- Discussion ensued regarding MCA access to the report writer feature. The v.3.4 has the ability for MCAs to run reports now. K. Putman will provide the appropriate permissions. It is the intent that all agencies would be submitting in 3.4 by January 1, 2018. Technical issues as described have had an impact on this. E. Bergquist will provide a communication to the MCAs regarding access to report writer for v. 3.4.

800 MHz Retroactive Mic Fees: J. Ellsworth is working with the MPSCS to resolve issues with this problem, contact K. Wahl at wahlk@michigan.gov or J. Ellsworth at ellsworthj1@michigan.gov if assistance is needed.

New Business

EMSCC Members: J. Boyd reported the reappointment of K. Cummings and D. Pratt to the EMSCC.

EMS Safety Ad Hoc Committee Appointments:

- Over 125 individuals applied to be on this committee. Dr. Edwards announced the appointment of 23 that represent all facets of EMS. Interested parties that are not part of the voting committee are still encouraged to participate as it is an open meeting.
- J. Boyd clarified that the chair of an ad hoc committee does not have to be a member of the EMSCC.
- G. Flynn raised the question about the scope of the committee. Dr. Edwards noted that the initial concern is the safety of EMS personnel with fatigue being one of the concerns. He suggested that the committee be provided some tasks to focus on initially.
- K. Cummings clarified that any recommendations from this subcommittee will be presented to the EMSCC for final approval.
- K. Wahl reported the first meeting will be held in March, 2018. Correspondence will be sent out shortly to the members of the committee and the meeting information will be posted on the EMS website. K. Wahl will provide a presentation on safety topics including EMS fatigue, the committee will develop a mission and decide on the chair at the first meeting.
 - **Motion to approve appointees** – B. Grubb, K. Cummings. **Motion carried.**

Cedar Area Fire and Rescue Bennett Bill Application:

- S. Slee introduced Don McMullen, Assistant Chief of Cedar Area Fire and Rescue is a newly formed agency as of April 1, 2016. Chief McMullen reported they were a two township entity that contracted their services with two other townships which covered approximately 160 square miles. Cedar Area is located just northwest of Traverse City, MI and have transport times that range from 15 minutes up to 50 minutes with approximately 300 runs per year. There is currently a working relationship with 2 ALS agencies, Leland Township and North flight out of Traverse City. Advanced EMT classes are being performed at Cedar Area facility. The goal is to become a Limited Advanced Service. There are currently several members already at or above the AEMT level.



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- S. Slee confirmed that all of the appropriate documentation has been provided to the State.
 - **Motion to approve the request for the Bennet Bill Application** – C. Lake, B. Hart.
Motion Carried.

Educational Opportunities:

- The 3rd Annual Michigan Active Assailant Conference will be held at Woodside Bible Church in Troy, MI, April 19th and 20th, 2018. For additional information please contact Jim Etzin at jetzin@fhgov.com or 248-871-2807. CE's will be offered.
- Mercy Health Life Flight Critical Care Transport Medicine Review Course will be held February 6-7th, 2018.

Strategic Planning and EMS Update by K. Wahl:

- The Critical Care subcommittee has been meeting and is very active in making progress regarding the curriculum. The chair was elected at last meeting.
- Currently conducting interviews for the Community Paramedic Coordinator funded by the Michigan Health Endowment Fund.
- Currently at Bay College for their first EMS Conference. There are many great speakers and a great venue.
- J. Allen and E. Bergquist have scheduled many educational sessions to roll out the new State Protocols and pediatric medication administration. They will begin in February in the UP. Meetings are also scheduled in Alpena, Genesee County and Wyoming. Registration is available on MI-TRAIN.
- Pediatric Medication Administration practical course and a new Human Trafficking course are being offered 1/24/18 at the BETP office in Lansing.

Emergency Preparedness Update by Dr. Edwards:

- Amber Pitts has been hired as the Healthcare Preparedness Program Section Manager at the BETP. Amber has been with the program for many years.
- The Community Health Emergency Coordination Center (CHECC) remains activated for the Hepatitis A outbreak.
- On February 27, 2018, FEMA Region V will be conducting their 2nd Special Pathogen Response Network Tabletop Exercise at the BETP office in Lansing.
- The Homeland Security Conference will be held May 8-10, 2018 in Grand Rapids.
- Congresswomen Debbie Dingell made an important recommendation which included increased funding for the hospital preparedness program.

Trauma Systems Report by Eileen Worden:

- The trauma system has been busy focusing on planning for 2018 and 2019. Currently, there are 55 designated hospitals in the state.
- 95% of the Michigan acute care facilities submitted their applications on time. This demonstrates an extremely high level of engagement in trauma system development by MI hospitals.
- There will be a combined STAC and Designation Committee meeting on January 23, 2018.
- The 2017 Trauma System Development Project Report is being finalized. Trauma System Development is being supported again in 2018 with funding through the Regional Medical Control Authority Networks.
- A new 2 South Regional Coordinator has been hired.



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- New hospital site reviewer training will be offered in June 2018. New site reviewer forms that reflect National Standards will be ready for this training session.
- The Director has appointed seven new and three returning committee members to the STAC.
- In the process of revising legislative language related to the Trauma System funding-essentially eliminating the October 2018 sunset language.

Committee Reports

Quality Assurance Task Force by Dr. Edwards:

- Comments on the protocols were thoroughly reviewed at the December QATF. E. Bergquist reported that the changes have ended and the protocols on the website are the current version.
- K. Cummings inquired about the timeline for protocol approvals. E. Bergquist clarified that the deadline is April 1, 2018 for adopting the protocols. She will be contacting MCAs. Many have already adopted the protocols.

Ambulance Operations by Monty Nye: The subcommittee has not met. A meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2018.

Medical Control Authority by Bruce Trevithick: The subcommittee met in December to begin Administrative Rules review. Another meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2018 at Jackson Community Ambulance.

Education by Kevin Wilkinson: A meeting is scheduled in February to continue work on Administrative Rules review.

Bylaws by Jeff Boyd:

- Jeff reported that all subcommittee chairs were provided with nomination forms to fill vacant subcommittee positions.
- The following is a summary of the appointments and reappointment recommendations:
 - Recommend reappointment of the EMSCC Chair Dr. Edwards and Vice-Chair Jeff Boyd
 - **Motion to approve the recommendation - M. Nye, B. Trevithick. Motion carried.**
 - There were no openings or changes recommended to the following subcommittees: Ambulance Operations, Bylaws, Compliance and Licensing, Critical Care Ad Hoc.
 - **Motion to approve as they stand – B. Kincaid, C. Lake. Motion Carried.**
 - EMS Safety Ad Hoc as noted above.
 - State Trauma Advisory Committee (STAC) Members were appointed by the Director of the MDHHS for 3 years. Letters have been sent.
 - Committee on Pediatric Emergency Medicine (CoPEM) – The EMS for Children (EMSC) Grant has specific requirements for the Pediatric Advisory Committee, including a family representative, which the CoPEM fulfills. The following representatives round out the required membership:
 - Amy Chapman; Christine Baker; Pamela Coffey, MD; and Stephanie Pinkster as the family member.
 - **Motion to approve the CoPEM subcommittee with the additional 4 new members – B. Grubb, K. Wilkinson. Motion Carried.**
 - Data – Recommend reappointment of the existing subcommittee and appoint to the open position Robert Swor, DO, FACEP.
 - **Motion to accept recommendation – B. Trevithick, K. Wilkinson. Motion Carried.**



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- Education – Recommend reappointment of the existing subcommittee and appoint to the open position Ed Unger.
 - **Motion to accept recommendation – J. Bullen, G. Flynn. Motion Carried.**
- Legislative – Recommend reappointment of the existing subcommittee and appoint to the open position Alyson Sundberg.
 - **Motion to accept recommendation – B. Grubb, K. Cummings. Motion Carried.**
- Medical Control – Recommend reappointment of the existing subcommittee and appoint to the open position Ed Bigsby, MD.
 - **Motion to accept recommendation – A. Sundberg, D. Condino. Motion Carried.**
- QATF – Recommend reappointment of the existing subcommittee and officially appoint to the subcommittee Stacey Noel, MD.
 - **Motion to accept recommendation – G. Flynn, J. Bullen. Motion Carried.**
- Rural – Recommend reappointment of the existing subcommittee and appoint to the open position Chris Peterson
 - **Motion to accept recommendation – J. Bullen, K. Wilkinson. Motion Carried.**
- Jeff reported that the Bylaws committee will be discussing term limits and bring a recommendation to the next EMSCC meeting.
- Jeff reiterated that chairs of Ad Hoc committees do not have to be EMSCC members.
- Anyone interested in serving on a subcommittee was reminded to contact Jeff Boyd at Jboyd@livgov.com or Kim Saterlee-Fink at SaterleeK@Michigan.gov. Contact information including name, address, phone number, email address and committee(s) of interest must be provided. This information will be maintained for consideration as openings occur.

Data by Bonnie Kincaid:

- The Data subcommittee met on December 13, 2017 via phone due to weather. Dr. Mahshid Abir from the University of Michigan presented on “System for Opioid Overdose Surveillance (S.O.S.).
- The committee is working on validation of MI EMSIS v3.4 data
- The next Data subcommittee meeting will be held on February 28, 2018 at 9:00am.

Legislative by Bruce Trevithick: The Committee has not met.

Rural by Bill Hart for Gary Wadaga:

- The committee met January 16, 2018. Recruitment and retention was discussed and it was shared that the DET is spending \$50,000 on an EMS provider recruitment campaign. Recruitment and retention is a statewide priority. Other strategies being pursued by the Rural committee include tuition loan forgiveness/tuition reimbursement.
- Service sustainability had some good and bad news. The good news is that the consultation that is happening in Mackinaw County with three agencies is moving forward. The downside is Covington Ambulance in Baraga County is closing due to not having enough staff. Gary Wadaga will be extending services to that community. Community Paramedics and community EMT’s are needed in rural areas.
- The white paper about rural EMS issues is still in the formation stages. May seek assistance from a student intern at a local college.
- The Regional Medical Control Authority Networks have received grant money from DET again this year to support education, quality improvement, injury prevention and infrastructure at a regional level.



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- Congratulations were extended to Wayne Beldo who has accepted a new position and is leaving the rural committee. Chris Peterson will be filling the vacancy left by Wayne's departure.
- The next rural meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2018.

CoPEM by Kathy Wahl for Justin Allen

- Justin Allen is working on two EMSC pediatric projects, an EMS Pediatric Recognition program and in collaboration with Lauren Korte, from the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) and Theresa Jenkins from the Trauma Program an Emergency Department Facility Recognition Program.
- The 2018 EMSC Competitive Continuation Grant was submitted in January.
- The next CoPEM meeting is scheduled for January 25, 2018.

Membership Round Table:

- Representative Yaroch reported that he has not heard of any new EMS legislation. Many members are still working on no-fault insurance legislation.
- B. Trevithick inquired about systems of care for stroke and STEMI. E. Worden reported that there are workgroups for these two time dependent emergencies that will be addressing the issues.
- S. Slee reported that EMS agency licensing is coming and will be similar to personnel licensing online in the Image Trend system. Updates will be provided along with helpful tools and information prior to implementation. The first informative email has been sent. Any questions should be directed to SleeS@michigan.gov.
- J. Boyd reminded all that the Michigan EMS Expo will be held May 3-5, 2018 at Mission Point on Mackinaw Island and HB 4528 regarding inclusion of EMS in the Health Professional Recovery Program will be sent to B. Trevithick for review.
- E. Worden reported that the bleeding control training kits have been purchased for each region and can be signed out for trainings through the Regional Trauma Coordinators.

Public Comment

- J. Etzin of Farmington Hills Fire Department provided a reminder that the Michigan Active Assailant Task Force has been created and will meet on a quarterly basis. The first meeting is January 30, 2018 in Farmington Hills.
- Dr. R. Swor, Beaumont Hospital, reported that 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. The Keynote speaker scheduled is Terry VandenHoek, MD from the University Of Chicago Medicine.

Next meeting: March 16, 2018 at 9:30am, Livingston County EMS

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made at 11:02 – J. Bullen, K. Wilkinson. Motion carried.