

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday, January 25, 2017 at 0900 hours
Hunters Ambulance Service

Members Attendees: G. Allard, L. Bolton, W. Champion, S. Gelati, R. Guthrie, N. Mayeda-Brescia, K. McClaine, R. McKeon, J. Paretzky, F. Potter, J. Quinlavin, A. Romano, W. Schietinger.

OEMS Staff: R. Coler, R. Kamin.

Regional Coordinators: M. Rivers.

Regional Presidents: S. Gelati, W. Schietinger

Committee Chairs: J. Beaulieu (MIH), R. Kamin (CEMSMAC), N. Brunet (Clinical Coordinators), M. Gawel (EMSC) and J. Paretzky (Volunteer), J. Soto (Communications), S. Gregg (Trauma), W. Champion (Nominating/Membership).

Board Chair: G. Allard, Chair.

Guests: T. Schietinger, L. Brockett (CSEMSI), B. Crosby (CPCA), B. Morris (NCCEMSC), L. Guercia, M. Bova. .

Requests for written reports may be made to Yolanda Williams at OEMS. Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov

Call to order at 0905 hours.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Moment of Silence			No moment of silence requested.
Minutes	Minutes of December 2016	Corrections: John Spencer listed as OEMS staff – should be removed from there. Volunteer Committee report of January 9 th meeting is missing from report.	A motion was made by L. Brockett and 2 nd by R. McKeon to accept the minutes of December 28, 2016 with noted corrections. Motion passed unanimously.
Public Comment			No public present
Chair's report.	Annual report.	The report to the Commissioner is being developed.	Some Committee reports have been submitted. Chair will reach out to Committee Chairs who have yet to submit one.
	Format of meeting minutes	Discussion of utilizing long version versus short version of minutes by some committees.	Greg Allard will check with Jean Speck on long version template. Reminder also made about correctly naming and numbering pages.
	Breakout groups	Discussion on sustaining the breakout groups (Data, MIH, and Funding).	Decision made to maintain all three groups.
Membership	Review of membership	Discussion on cleaning up the membership list and attendance of members.	Greg Allard will work with Irene and Jean to review membership. Greg introduced Chief Crosby who is representing CPCA.
DPH Report	Written reports submitted and disseminated to Board.		
	EMT-R, EMR-R, & EMR Initial Exams	Ready for Feb 1 st rollout. Proctor rollout to continue until CEUs are figured out.	Terry DeVito is coordinating
	EMS-I moratorium	OEMS is reviewing Fire Service Instructor	OEMS is developing a plan on how

		curriculum and EMS-I national standard curriculum.	best to proceed.
	AEMT	Proposed recommendation made by E&T Committee.	OEMS Training Coordinator researching ensuring process follows national standards of AEMT certification.
	Data	Ann Kloter making progress. Deadline for NEMSIS transition to version 3.4.0 extended to June 30.	Everbridge went out to services. OEMS still in staging, not in production – they are unable to receive data in the 3.4 version, only the 2.21 version.
	NHTSA Review	Three rounds of review. Currently in Round 1 which ends Jan 27 th .	Final round will be completed by March 24. Evaluation process has changed from in person review to a questionnaire evaluation.
	Need For Service Apps	Role of OEMS is to ensure application is complete.	Once application is deemed complete, application is forwarded to the Hearing Department. OEMS is getting “Support Letters” after the fact. These letters should be submitted with the application or to the Hearing Office once the application is deemed complete.
	Regional EMS Coordinators	Ralf is looking to justify the rehiring of the Region 1 and Region 3 EMS Coordinators.	Letters of support for these positions may be sent to Ralf.
	EMS-C	Discussion including birthing mannequins, Application Always Ready For Children Facilities Recognition being readied, Pedi-simulation training provided to Windham ED – great turnout, Pedi injury prevention program “Buckle Up For Life” program gave out 37 car seats with installation, TEEX Pedi Disaster Course being	

		held on March 27 th & 28 th hosted by FEMA with 100 seats available, EMS-C continued funding may be reduced at some point – more to follow, Next meeting is March 10 th .	
Breakout Sessions	Funding	Discussion around what projects and/or programs that require funding. CORC is putting on a Funding Class.	
	Data	Forward motion on EMS & Trauma registries. Services moving forward towards NEMSIS compliance. Collector is getting ready to receive data. Trauma Registry 4 phases: 1)Those that needed access are all set, 2)Data dump completed, 3)Looking at legislation for updating data dictionaries, 4)Linkage between services and trauma registry.	What do we want as a State from these registries? What could valuable to us?
	MIH	Discussion around interested parties regarding cost reduction and funding. Legal and OEMS concerns regarding support of programs. Placeholder Bill proposed by Sen. Leone from Stamford. Four basic programs of MIH discussed.	Trying to determine what EMS can currently do or not do in regards to MIH programs.
Committee Reports	CEMSMAC Minutes disseminated to Board.	Discussion including refining protocols utilizing sub-committee – slate of changes will be reviewed by CEMSMAC and sent to CEMSAB & Commissioner for approval. Review of QI programs for Pedis < 1 y/o., possible education programs for Emerg MDs re: online med direction, EMS Handoff committee to meet Jan 31 st , 1 st drafts of Sponsor Hosp QI programs being reviewed – expectation to have a variety available, Working on SCT Program, working with	

		OSET on EMD & drug control, reviewing process of pronouncing in the field – how it impacts providers as well as the public.	
	Clinical Coordinators	Elections, reviewing potential protocol changes	Meeting next Tuesday
	Communications	Report submitted.	Diversion policy to be reviewed.
	CORC	Report submitted. Funding class tentatively sched on March 7 th . Info will be disseminated. Thanks to OEMS for strong relationship.	EMS Award applications will be ready soon. More info to follow. CT EMS Expo website will be updated in next few weeks.
	Data	No report	
	Education & Training Minutes disseminated to Board.	DCF guest speaker re: child trafficking issue in CT widespread and under-reported problem.	Active Assailant – identify goals and objectives included in TECC program.
	Emergency Preparedness Written report.	No report	
	Legislative	HB 5755 regarding EMS Plans and opioid antagonist submitted. Those interested should submit testimony for support. Discussion around Bills regarding body armor.	Meeting directly after CEMSAB mtg
	MIH Minutes submitted & disseminated to Board.	As reported from breakout session.	Next meeting is tomorrow at Manchester FD. Another mtg scheduled next Monday with ACAP, open to anyone interested.
	Nominating & Membership	Greg Allard requested assistance from Bill Campion regarding membership letters	
	Paramedic	No report	
	PI&E	No report	Video still being worked on
	Trauma- minutes disseminated to Board	Discussion regarding 2017 trauma bank updates, Trauma Centers are reviewing. Trauma Committee in support of Bills supported by	CT Trauma Conference at Foxwoods April 6 th & 7 th .

		Legislative committee. Medicare programs may have benefits for hospitals that maintain registry.	
	Volunteer	Minutes disseminated to Board. Survey will be sent out to all volunteer services through OEMS.	Jay requested clarification on appointment of committee chairs.
Old Business	Regulations	Governor's Office completed with their review. Regs should be enroute to the Attorney General's office. No substantial changes.	
New Business		Motion made by Jay Paretzky that the Advisory Board support OEMS initiative for funding to fill both open regional EMS Coordinator positions. Seconded by L. Bolton.	Motion passed unanimously
Adjournment	At 10:35		Motion to adjourn by R. Kamin and 2 nd by A. Romano. Motion passed unanimously.
Next meeting	At Hunters Ambulance	February 22, 2017 at 9 AM.	

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