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

**MEETING SUMMARY**  
**CONFIDENTIAL PEER REVIEW**  
**MEETING DATE: June 25, 2019**

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on June 25, 2019 at 1230 pm at Jefferson City, Truman Building, Room 490-492 with Dr. Lynthia Andrews presiding. A quorum was present.

**APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS:** Mark Alexander, Dr. Lynthia Andrews, Ben Chlapek, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Ruby Mehrer, Wally Patrick, Helen Sandkuhl, Sam Schneider, Dr. David K. Tan.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Lynthia Andrews Chair; Mark Alexander; Ben Chlapek; Ruby Mehrer; Helen Sandkuhl,

**ABSENT:** Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Wally Patrick; Sam Schneider; Dr. David Tan.

**ATTENDEES:** Gene Bradley, Atchison-Holt AD; Dr. Sabina Braithwaite, Wash U and MO EMS State Medical Director; Dr. Matt Brandt, Cox Health; Dr. Erica Carney, KCFD and Truman Med Center KC; Patricia Casey, SSM-Cardinal Glennon; John Clemmons, Marion Co EMS; Shelby Cox, Center for Patient Safety; Chuck Doss, Boone Co Fire; Christy Dressler, CMH-KC; Joshua Dugal, Cardinal Glennon; Justin Duncan, Washington Co AD; Dr. Dee Hodge, SLCH/Wash U; Bethany Johnston, MU Health Care; Mike Latta, KCMO FD; Chris Mattes, Mercy Life Line; Art Maxwell, NTA Amb; Kat Probst, Adair Co AD; Sharon Smith, Mosaic-St. Joseph; Debbie Stark, SLH-KC; Dr. Joshua Stilley MUHC; Kyle Tapps, LifeFlight Eagle-KC; Jason White, (MARC).

**DHSS Staff:** David Lanigan, Terry Ellsworth, BEMS Chief

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:40 pm.


Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
<b>I. Review of Minutes</b>			
<b>A. Approval of Minutes</b> April 23, 2019 (May meeting cancelled due to statewide flooding)	<i>Helen Sandkuhl moved to approve the April 23, 2019 minutes as written. Ben Chlapek seconded. Motion passed.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.	
<b>II. Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>Pediatrics Subcommittee</b> Patricia Casey, Chair	Trish Casey reported the pediatric subcommittee met jointly with EMSC today. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trish recently travelled to Washington DC to attend a national meeting regarding EMSC.</li> <li>• Car Seat flyer continues to be distributed to EMS agencies</li> <li>• PEM panel discussed</li> <li>• It is recognized that school nurses need to be included in classes and other distribution of information.</li> </ul>	Trish Casey will continue to steer the committee projects.  Patricia Casey and Liz Kendrick will continue to coordinate both EMSC and the Pediatric Subcommittee meetings.	
<b>B. Trauma Subcommittee</b> Dr. David Gustafson, Chair	Dr. Gustafson absent, no report		
<b>C. Legislative Subcommittee</b> Mark Alexander	Mark Alexander reported the subcommittee met today before SAC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion included possible legislative issues for 2020.</li> <li>• TCD task force working on regulations.</li> <li>• Consultant hired. Report expected by April 2020. Money came from ASPR grant through DHSS.</li> <li>• It is anticipated that some sort of Paramedic Practitioner bill will be filed in 2020.</li> <li>• Air ambulance in-network levels reimbursement expected to be an issue.</li> <li>• Also possible is a bill to allow insurance payments to go to the patients instead of the provider.</li> <li>• Also discussed was how Amb and Fire districts can be excluded from tax abatement</li> </ul>		
<b>D. Education Subcommittee</b>	Chuck Doss reporting. No agenda items for June so the		

<b>Chuck Doss, Chair</b>	meeting was cancelled. Future meetings will be focused on the paramedic practitioner concept and development.		
<b>E. Air Ambulance Subcommittee Ruby Mehrer, Chair</b>	Christy Dressler reported the discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programs has experienced at least 4 bird strikes in the past few weeks.</li> <li>• Anticipating legislation to address in and out-of-network payments.</li> <li>• Steps are being taken to be sure there is a united front presented from all aspects of Emergency Care in MO.</li> <li>• Next meeting is July 30 at Margaritaville</li> <li>• Air Ambulance subcommittee tracking national bills being filed to address surprise bill and will affect air ambulance as well as other aspects of medical care.</li> </ul>		
<b>F. Emergency Management Wally Patrick, Chair</b>	Wally Patrick Absent. No report.		
<b>G. TCD Helen Sandkuhl</b>	TCD meeting held May 17 in Jeff City with Havron Consulting presenting. A copy of Havron's power point used that day was provided as a handout. Contact Helen Sandkuhl for an electronic copy. <a href="mailto:Helen.sandkuhl@ssmsluh.com">Helen.sandkuhl@ssmsluh.com</a> A question being asked but no answer yet is can stroke centers share resources and maintain their level designation. TCD Task Force meeting last week cancelled because Dean Linneman was meeting with Havron.		
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<b>III. Regional Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>A. Northwest</b>	Art Maxwell reported June 19 <sup>th</sup> meeting discussion included Cost reporting AAA webinars on cost reporting Chiefs camp opening in St. Joseph soon RSOC grant money replaced tents used in disasters in Nodaway County. Tents were damaged by the weather. St. Luke's Hospital promoting team concept in traumas		
<b>B. Central</b>	John Clemmons reported Central Region is reworking bylaws. Subcommittees are meeting.	Next Central Region meeting is August 1.	

<b>C. Southwest</b>	Mark Alexander said SW Region met two weeks ago. There were presentations by drug companies and general updates.		
<b>D. Southeast</b>	Debbie Leoni reminded everyone of the June 28 <sup>th</sup> TCD Conference in Sikeston.		
<b>E. East Central</b>	Helen Sandkuhl said the June meeting was cancelled due to a LODD. Sept 13 is the TCD conference—trying to do hands on for STEMI and Stroke sessions. New training on IO's will be provided--pink IOs too small except for neonates. Stop the Bleed will be included.	Next meeting July 12th	
<b>F. Region A / West Central</b>	Dr. Gustafson absent. Dr. Erica Carney reported there has not been a meeting since May however committee work has been taking place. The Critical Incident Training (CIT) subcommittee has endorsed a 40-hour course for paramedics that will be participating. Draft protocols are being sent out as template. An 8-hour class is being developed for Awareness, designed to educate others about CIT transports. The biggest challenge is trying to get the psych hospitals to participate at the table. Dr. Carney continues to have communication with crisis centers in KC.	Next Meeting July 1, 2pm Central Jackson County FPD.	
<b>G. Regional EMS Medical Directors -Dr. Sabina Braithwaite</b>	Dr. Braithwaite reporting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CARES state program was awarded funded thru 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Need director, position will be advertised</li> <li>○ Need webinars to explain how data is used</li> <li>○ Outcomes if dispatch CPR instructions -data</li> <li>○ New image trend has a CARE data feed possible already built in</li> <li>○ Focus on information flowing thru the regions and to be able to report on regional level to produce meaningful data that could be acted on.</li> <li>○ Need strategies for continued funding</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Nat Assoc of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO)—working with CMS. May allow agencies submitting data to be</li> </ul>	Dr. Braithwaite will continue to report committee activity at SAC meetings.	

	<p>able to bill for treat no transport services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Stilley—MO and Iowa NAEMSP will provide cohesive guidance and directives on paramedic practitioner concept in conjunction with Rep Roden.</li> <li>• West Plains Chapter NASEMSO meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Sept 23 to 25 in KC—encouraged everyone to consider attending.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The need for a state level data committee for SAC discussed. No action.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>BEMS</b> <b>Terry Ellsworth, Chief</b></p>	<p>Image Trends NEMSIS already has arm for CARES data. Dr. Braithwaite and Terry Ellsworth will confer with data person in Kansas to understand how their system works. Hardware and Software ready to go. Need 4-5 agencies around the state so each can export about 20 incidents to test the system.</p> <p>Terry announced Aug 30 is his last day. He is retiring. Trauma Regs stalled because the state has a shortage of attorneys for review.</p> <p>Ben Chlapek expressed his thanks and appreciation to Terry for being a leader and a stance supporter of EMS.</p>		
		<b>Recommendation/Actions</b>	
<p><b>Center for Patient Safety</b> <b>Lee Varner</b></p>	<p>Shelby Cox reporting. CPS has been busy with collaboration with ESO and also with Kansas MARCER. CPS data shows 28 patient deaths caused by EMS since 2011.</p> <p>EMS Culture of Safety efforts going well.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Every problem identified in the survey is related to problems with information exchange</p> <p>CPS preparing a 4-hr pre-con for Pinnacle Conf in July. Shelby said some big announcements coming out soon.</p>		

<b>Old Business</b>	Interstate compact efforts continue on a national basis. Terry Ellsworth is Missouri's representative. January 1, 2020 if the goal to have all initial work completed.		
<b>New Business &amp; Announcements</b>	Dr. Andrews said 250 Tetanus shots were provided to volunteers bagging sand to ward off flooding in the NW Region.		
<b>Next Meeting</b>	Next meeting is scheduled for July 30 at Tan Tar A / Margaritaville in conjunction with the MO EMS Conference.	An agenda will be sent prior to the next meeting.	
<b>Adjourned</b>	Meeting adjourned approximately 1:30pm.		

  
 Dr. Lynthia Andrews, SAC Chair

Summary respectfully prepared by Ruby Mehrer

Date Approved July 30, 2019