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

MEETING SUMMARY
CONFIDENTIAL PEER REVIEW
MEETING DATE: April 27, 2021

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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, Sam Schneider, Dr. David K, Tan. Helen Sandkuhl.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Lynthia Andrews, Chair; Mark Alexander, Ben Chlapek, Dave Herman, Eric Latimer, Ruby Mehrer; Helen Sandkuhl,

Board Members Absent: Wally Patrick; Sam Schneider; Dr. David Tan

ATTENDEES: John Barclay, NTA Ambulance; Erin (Nichols) Bening, SSM Health; Jami Blackwell, Cox Health; Dr. Sabina Braithwaite, Wash U; Patricia Casey, Mallory Clatterbuck, MU Health; John Clemens, Marion Co EMS; Kelly Cope, SCCAD; Shelby Cox, Center for Patient Safety; Susan Crum, Cox Air Care; Chuck Doss, Boone Co Fire; Christy Dressler, CMH-KC; Josh Dugal, Cardinal Glennon; Katie Elam, WMMC; Eisenbeis, Katie; Dr. Brian Froelke, Wash U & EC Med. Director; Pam Golden, SSM SL Univ Hosp; Dr. David Gustafson, EMS Medical Director multiple EMS agencies, West Central Region; Meghan Henderson, MHA Legal Counsel; Michele Herndon, SL-CH; Pam Jackson, Chris Jenkins; Kristen Jones, CARES; SLH-KC; Liz Kendrick, U of MO—EMSC; Mike Latta, KCFD; Debbie Leoni, Southeast Health; Chris Mattes, Mercy-Spfld; Chris McCarthy, Fenton Fire District; Taz Meyer, SCCAD; April Ostendorf-Morris, St. Francis Medical Center; Bob Patterson, Mercy-Spfld; John Reagan; RMalexa; Heather Scruton, CMH-KC; David Seastrom, CMH-KC; David Smith; Charlie Vielhauer, Life Net St. Joseph; Michelle Wallace; Shannon Watson, Christian EMS; Jason White, MARC, Tina York, HCA

DHSS Staff: Nicole Gamm, Interim BEMS Chief; Steve Bollin; Katherine Crockett; George Miller.

Note: If you attended but are not reflected on the attendees list, please email ruby@lifeflighteagle.org for correction.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 12:34 pm.

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
I. Review of Minutes			
A. Approval of Minutes March 23, 2020	<i>Ben Chlapek moved to approve the March 23, 2021 meeting minutes. Second by Mark Alexander. Motion carried.</i>	Approved minutes will be posted on the BEMS website.	
II. Subcommittee Reports			
Pediatrics Subcommittee Patricia Casey, Chair	Pediatric Subcommittee met this morning. EMSC creating and Advisory Board. Applications accepted to the end of May. Tele Training in progress. Kristen Jones, CARES, gave a report on pediatric cardiac arrests. Trauma managers looked at increase in ATV accidents. Vaccinations now for 16 and over.	For more information contact: Patricia.Casey@ssmhealth.com	
B. Trauma Subcommittee	Trauma Subcommittee Summary provided by Pam Jackson: State Advisory Council Trauma Subcommittee Click to join: https://slhs.webex.com/meet/pjackson I. Introductions a. Dr. Froelke is a Regional Medical Director in the St. Louis area. b. Justine White is the new Trauma Program Manager at Lake Regional Health System in Osage Beach. II. Trauma Regulation Update a. Trauma regulations remain with DHSS but will not go further until new statutes are in place. III. Trauma Statute update a. Passed the house unanimously and is planned to be taken	For more information contact: pjackson@saintlukeskc.org	

to the Senate.

IV. Injury prevention – Stop the Bleed

- a. The Stop the Bleed class has been put out as virtual, but there is still an in-person hands on portion.
- b. Research Medical Center is starting back with their Stop the Bleed program small classes with organizations that are required to have it, like the SWAT teams and police department. No community outreach at this time.
- c. Ray Staggs reported that he is being deployed to Kuwait and has been issued with his standard issue, 2 tourniquets, a first aid kit with combat gauze and sharpie. The group wished him well and thanked him for his service.

V. Trauma Education

- a. Pam will update the spreadsheet with any trauma educational offerings. She read off all the May offerings.

VI. New Medical Director for the Trauma Subcommittee

- a. Dr. Brock is no longer available as chair. Everyone is encouraged to give Dr. Andrews and suggestions for leadership. Dr. Andrews said she would work to get that covered.

VII. Around the virtual room

- a. David Seastrom added that Children’s Mercy Hospital will have a Pediatric Conference on September 9th. A save the date is coming soon.
- b. Joshua Dugal said that SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital has a 3-day pediatric conference on June 4, 11, and 25th.

	<p>c. Sharon from Barnes-Jewish reminded everyone that Trends in Trauma is May 13th.</p> <p>d. Nicole from Mercy Springfield</p> <p>e. Discussion about tips for virtual conference. This topic will be added to our next meeting agenda. Everyone can send their tips to Pam (pjackson@saintlukeskc.org) and she will send them out.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews encouraged keeping the stop-the-bleed education going with all the unrest in the country now.</p> <p>a.</p>		
<p>C. Legislative Subcommittee Mark Alexander, Chair</p>	<p>Mark Alexander reporting: The state TCD task force voted to support the MHA TCD bill HR 1295. The bill was passed out of the House Committee. It may be attached to another bill since it is so late in the legislative season.</p> <p>Medicaid Expansion: Senate didn't allocate money in the budget. Meghan Henderson said the Senate will be debating today further today or tomorrow on the budget. In answer to a question by Dr. Andrews, Meghan went on to say that the situation is very complicated since Medicaid is already a line item in the budget that the Governor could expand it to fund Medicaid Expansion.</p> <p>Mark discussed the proposals to Regulations .302, .303 and .375 made by Sam Vance before his departure. Mark reminded the group that the Legislative Subcommittee had worked on these regulations after Governor Greitens asks to have the regulations cleaned up etc. Mark said there were some changes suggested in earlier efforts including in .375, Data Collection, a 14-day rolling period to get ePCRs into the state. The subcommittee thought the EMS report to the hospital at the time of patient hand-off would be best left to the regions so hospitals and EMS agencies could have mutually beneficial process.</p> <p>A survey will be sent out to the doctors to measure their responses and their identified needs.</p>	<p>For information contact: RMark.Alexander@coxhealth.com or jason.white3254@gmail.com</p>	

	<p>Jason White reviewed national legislation including TIP, SIREN Grants, EMS Counts and Medicare Extenders.</p> <p>Jason White also reported the EMS Interstate Compact commission is trying to hire a new Executive Director. The questions regarding the security of the data base and other questions are likely to be answered then. More info can be gained by visiting the Compact website.</p>		
<p>D. Education Subcommittee Chuck Doss, Chair</p>	<p>Chuck Doss Review of the Education Regulation will resume after the next BEMS Chief is named.</p>	<p>For info contact Chuck Doss cdoss@bcfdmo.com Educ. Subcommittee meets 3rd Wednesdays at noon by conf call. Agendas and call info posted on https://health.mo.gov/safety/ems/</p>	
<p>E. Air Ambulance Subcommittee Ruby Mehrer, Chair</p>	<p>Ruby Mehrer reported the Air Ambulance Subcommittee met this morning. Discussion included continued laser strikes in SL KC area. Legislative issues were reviewed. Air Ambulance Utilization update remains tabled on the Regional Medical Director's agenda.</p>		
<p>F. Emergency Management Helen Sandkuhl, Chair</p>	<p>Helen Sandkuhl. Nothing new this month.</p>	<p>For info contact Helen Sandkuhl Helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com</p>	
<p>G. TCD Report Helen Sandkuhl</p>	<p>Helen Sandkuhl invited Meghan Henderson, MHA counsel, to attend SAC today to be available for any legal questions on the TCD bill HR 1295.</p> <p>Steve Bollin, DHSS, was introduced as having replaced Dean Linneman. Steve has taken the lead on the TCD efforts. He said there were a lot of talented people on the state TCD committee. Organization is needed.</p> <p>Mr. Bollin added the Data group of TCD is exploring what to collect. And what reports to have generated. The Data group met today and looked at the overlying areas of hospitals. It may be beneficial to map trauma, stroke and STEMI resources to identify opportunities. There may be benefit in looking at performance by zip code.</p> <p>Helen has provided a publication to be sent with the SAC minutes. published</p>	<p>For info contact Helen Sandkuhl Helen.sandkuhl@ssmhealth.com</p>	

	<p>last week after presentation at the International Stroke Conference in March 2021. It has lots of useful information on organizing a regional destination plan for stroke patients. The article is attached with these minutes. It may also be accessed at the site below.</p> <p><u>Recommendations for Regional Stroke Destination Plans in Rural, Suburban, and Urban Communities From the Prehospital Stroke System of Care Consensus Conference: A Consensus Statement From the American Academy of Neurology, American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, American Society of Neuroradiology, National Association of EMS Physicians, National Association of State EMS Officials, Society of NeuroInterventional Surgery, and Society of Vascular and Interventional Neurology: Endorsed by the Neurocritical Care Society Stroke (ahajournals.org)</u></p>		
<p>H. MIH Community Paramedics Dr. Melissa Kroll</p>	No report.	<p>Contact Dr. Kroll at <u>mkroll@wustl.edu</u> with questions or comments. Meetings are 2nd Mondays at noon. Info and agendas at <u>https://health.mo.gov/safety/ems/</u></p>	
III. Regional Subcommittee Reports			
<p>A. Northwest Eric Reeter, Chair</p>	<p>John Barclay reported NW met last week. Discussion was similar to today's topics. Vaccine administration is scaling back. Some agencies still helping with home bound patients. Summer events being planned including the St. Joe air show. Some mutual aid being requested. Maryville upgrading training facilities. Some are applying for grants</p>	Meet 3 rd Wednesday at 10 am.	
<p>B. Central John Clemens, Chair</p>	<p>John Clemens reported a meeting 8th of April. Focus was on strokes. Quincy Illinois hospital is Level II. Will be the closest for some EMS agencies. FAST stroke exam will be used in Central Region.</p>		

	Last week a supervisor in Adair County, Adam Bruner, passed away at the EMS agency. Strike team covered Adair Co for visitation and funeral.		
C. Southwest Bob Patterson, Chair	Bob Patterson reported SW has not met since last SAC meeting. Next meeting is May 28. Discussing diversions, hospitals are participating. 3 disaster exercises are scheduled by end of May.		
D. Southeast Nathan Wolk, Chair	No report		
E. East Central Mark Flauter, Chair	Dave Smith reporting. Taz Meyer has accepted the BEMS Chief position so EC will need to have his position filled. Shannon Watson added that the TCD bill was reviewed. Financial report was given. CARES update provided. 2021 awards in fall COVID vaccines discussed including for homebound. STARS update.	Next meeting May 14	
F. Region A/West Central Dr. David Gustafson, Chair	Dr. David Gustafson reporting: No meeting since last SAC meeting. Mission control talks have terminated. Evident not financially sustainable. Ray Co and Fitzgibbons hospitals have signed agreements with Mission Control. Not sure what that means now.	Meetings are first Mondays, every other (odd) month. May 3 next meeting, virtual	
G. Regional EMS Medical Directors Dr. Sabina Braithwaite	Dr. Braithwaite is an officer of NAEMSP. Regional EMS Medical Directors met last week. Talked about TCD bill—a good part was the need to get data. Dr. Braithwaite said she is not sure if SAC recommended BEMS budget for Office of Emergency Care or for Epidemiologist. She said there is a need to fund positions and make that a priority. Considering how to integrate now with new DHSS director interim. Some have asked how to get appointed to the TCD Advisory Council if the TDC bill is passed. Steve Bolin will be the contact person at DHSS. Air Med Utilization—Resource document available by next month. Has been approved by NAEMSP. It just needs to be made available.	Meetings are 3 rd Wednesday at 10 am—Zoom. For agenda and zoom information visit: https://health.mo.gov/safety/ems/	

	<p>CARES report: Wash U and MU Health have partnered to continue the CARES program. Shifting to Mizzou for primary data base etc. New email address is: CARES@health.missouri.edu</p>		
<p>BEMS Nicole Gamm, Interim Chief BEMS</p>	<p>Robert Knodell (Pronounced No Dell) is Acting Director of DHSS since the departure of Dr. Randall Williams. Taz Meyer starting May 10 as BEMS Chief Data from ePCRs being downloaded from 148 of 241 EMS agencies. Up from 30%-61% participation. State pushes data to NEMESIS, but agencies need to complete info so BEMS can download Missouri info to NEMESIS.</p> <p>The May 25 SAC meeting needs to be virtual. State buildings are not open for meetings yet.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews asked how long for a new DHSS director. Steve Bolin said he expected it to take 6-8 weeks for the search.</p> <p>The DHSS dashboard can be consulted to see how many have been vaccinated in Missouri.</p> <p>Standing orders signed by Dr. Williams have been updated, still in place and have updated signatures.</p> <p>EMS inspections are being handled virtually for the most part. TCD site reviews are being waived to Aug 31.</p>		
		Recommendation/Actions	
<p>Center for Patient Safety Shelby Cox</p>	<p>Shelby Cox Life Guard Flyer. Next session is in the fall. National conferences ae being planned in person.</p>		
<p>TCD Task Force Mark Alexander, Dr. Andrews</p>	<p>See above.</p>		
<p>Old Business</p>	<p>None</p>		

New Business & Announcements	Dr. Andrews would like reports or summary of activities each month from EMS Associations: MEMSA MAA MOAAMS. Steve Bollin hopes to continue to attend SAC meetings. Congratulations to Taz Meyer on becoming the BEMS Chief was offered. Taz starts May 10.	Ruby Mehrer to contact each of the associations before the next meeting so they can be prepared for May SAC meeting.	
Next Meeting	Next meeting will be virtual and is scheduled for May 25, 2021.	An agenda will be sent prior to the next meeting.	
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned approximately 2:05pm		

Lynthia B. Andrews DO, FACEP

Date Approved_May 25. 2021

Dr. Lynthia Andrews, SAC Chair

Summary respectfully prepared by Ruby Mehrer *Lynthia B. Andrews DO, FACEP*