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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: October 25, 2016**

A meeting of the State Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services was held on October 25, 2016 at 12:30 pm in Room 490-492 Truman Building; Jefferson City MO with Dr. Lynthia Andrews presiding. A quorum was present.

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

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mark Alexander, Dr. Lynthia Andrews, Ben Chlapek, Ruby Mehrer, Wally Patrick, Helen Sandkuhl,  
**Board Members by Phone:** Joan Eberhardt

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

**GUESTS:** Terri Ackerson, St. Luke’s KC; James Baysinger, SSMHC; John Clemens, Marion Co EMS; Angie Cunningham, Children’s Mercy KC; Richard Dandridge, Children’s Hospital SL; Chuck Doss, Boone Co Fire; Christy Dressler, Children’s Mercy KC; Dr. Brian Froelke, Wash U and E. Central Medical Director; Dave Gibson, Univ MO-Ambulance; Dr. David Gustafson, Medical Director multiple EMS agencies-western MO; Tina Lybargerledyard, BJC; Bud Mantle, Mercy; Art Maxwell, NTA Ambulance; Jay McClintick, St. Luke’s KC; Rande McCrary, MEMSA and National EMS Memorial; Taz Meyer, SCCAD; Dr. Jay Reich, KCMO FD Medical Director; David Stahlman, Mercy; Lee Varner, CPS; Jason White, MARC

DHSS Staff: Terry Ellsworth, BEMS; Les Jobe, BEMS Chief; William Koebel, DHSS Health Standards and Licensure;

By Phone: Debbie Leoni, SE Hospital; Trina Cole, Lee’s Summit Hospital

*Introductions were completed.*

Topic	Discussion/Conclusion	Recommendation/Actions	Follow-up
<b>I. Review of Minutes</b>			
A. Approval of Minutes	<i>Helen Sandkuhl moved to approve the July 26 and Sept 27,</i>		

	<i>2016 minutes as written. Seconded by Wally Patrick. Motion carried.</i>		
<b>II. Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>A. Pediatrics Subcommittee Noreen Felich, Chair Ann Toenjes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Pediatric Subcommittee meeting today</li> <li>• Jason White introduced Representative Tila Hubrecht, a nurse, who spoke on coverage for liability for doctors and also is a parent advocated for children with special needs. She spoke of her intent to be active in the coming legislative season especially for the children with special needs.</li> <li>• Dr. Andrews indicated she and others in the audience would appreciate and support her in efforts.</li> <li>• Darlene Shelton spoke regarding the gap in health care coverage for children with rare diseases. She asked the attendee today to support a pending bill that would help cover the children's special medical needs.</li> </ul>		
<b>B. Trauma Subcommittee Dr. Doug Shearer, Chair</b>	No report, Dr. Shearer not present.		
<b>C. Legislative Subcommittee Mark Alexander, Chair</b>	<p>Mark Alexander reported discussion on 19 CSR 30-40.375, Uniform Data Collection System and Ambulance Reporting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requirements for Ambulance Services led to the recommendation to have section (3)—transfer of patient care info-- stand alone as a regulation since Trauma , Stroke and STEMI already address this in the TCD regulations. If this section goes forward, it would become the 4<sup>th</sup> regulation on this issue. In order to avoid confusion and conflicts, the Legislative Committee is recommending section (3) be removed from .375 and a separate regulation for that issue be considered.</li> <li>• Other discussion on .375 focused on when data should be provided to BEMS, at end of month or with a rolling reporting time frame of the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup>. Some are concerned the rolling time frame might cause need for extra personnel at the EMS agencies to keep up with the pace. The option of reporting all on the last day of the month creates challenges with those calls run on the last day or two of the month. Also there was concern about DHSS servers being able to handle a large data dump</li> </ul>	Mark Alexander will continue to update SAC on issues pertinent to EMS.	

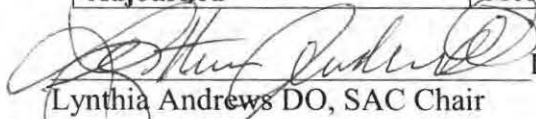
	<p>from all corners of the state on the same day. Most concluded the 2 week rolling reporting time frame would be best.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mark reported there is further concern with wording in .375 (3). It is not completely clear if the transfer of patient care reports must be written or if verbal is acceptable. He said the SW Region is working on a paper form to leave at the hospital for TCD patients. He indicated that Stroke, STEMI and Trauma centers have requirements of receiving the report in a 3 hour window in order for EMS to get follow up within 3 days. Mark acknowledged the difficulty of making things uniform and at the same time not interfering with an EMS unit being able to respond to pending calls. He will explore possibilities and processes.</li> <li>• TPOPP (Transportable Physician Orders Patient Preference) Jason White reported the Center of Bio Ethics conversation their attorney led to a question that needs clarification: Can EMS personnel honor any valid doctor's order regarding TPOPP or would they be open for prosecution from DHSS/BEMS if they follow TPOPP. Jason relayed a request to have SAC forward the question to DHSS/BEMS and to ask if there is protection afforded the EMS personnel honoring TPOPP.</li> <li>• Mark Alexander inquired about the data set required by NEMSIS. Les Jobe indicated the data dictionary has been selected but there is a question of what applied for validated data. He said the system should take a person through a pathway that is data appropriate for the disease being treated.</li> <li>• Terry Ellsworth reported the data collection 3.4 NEMSIS will go into effect at the end of the year. With that the EMS agencies must work with hospitals to agree on a method of patient hand-off, verbal or written is fine as long as all parties agree.</li> </ul>	<p>Mark Alexander will provide additional information on the challenges cited.</p> <p>Dr. Lynthia Andrews will relay the question to DHSS/BEMS and ask for a response in writing.</p>	
<p><b>D. Education Subcommittee Chair?</b></p>	<p>Doug Randall accepted a job out of state. No replacement chair has been named at the point. No report.</p>	<p>Dr. Andrews will consider a new Chairperson for the Education Committee.</p>	
<p><b>E. Air Ambulance Committee, Ruby Mehrer Chair</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ruby Mehrer reported Air Evac has had 4 bird strikes in the past month. Birds went into an engine and also broke windows. No injuries or adverse outcomes. LifeFlight</li> </ul>		

	<p>Eagle experienced a laser strike near the KC Sports Stadium on I-70.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A first draft of a letter to all Missouri air ambulance programs is being reviewed. It addresses the increase of ‘near misses’ being reported in Missouri and the need for air to air communication especially in the critical phases of flight (take-offs and landings). It will be distributed to all Missouri air ambulance programs in an effort to enhance safety in our air space.</li> <li>• Efforts to have a Table Top Mutual Aid Drill continue.</li> </ul>		
<b>F. Emergency Management Wally Patrick, Chair</b>	<p>Wally Patrick asked how many of us know if your local schools have a disaster plan. He said the need for that information was apparent during an incident last week in Atchison Kansas, just over the western border of Missouri. Atchison experienced an accident at an industry that lead to a chemical clouds spreading over the town. Parents were unfamiliar with the schools disaster plans and efforts to connect with their children led to frustration. Wally said this incident underlines the need to be familiar with the schools’ disaster plans and where children will be taken in certain instances. He said more general information on disaster response planning can be obtained at <a href="http://www.eldis.org">www.eldis.org</a>. Dr. Andrews added the cloud caused respiratory problems but no immediate life threats.</p>		
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<b>III. Regional Subcommittee Reports</b>			
<b>A. Northwest</b>	<p>Art Maxwell said NW Region met last Wednesday. There was a long discussion on .375(above). There were concerns about the state going to NEMSIS 3 but it is thought that at least 5 ambulance services will need to switch software to meet requirements. November16th is the next meeting.</p>		
<b>B. Central</b>	<p>James Baysinger reported discussion on .375(above). Benchmarks and score cards for Time Critical Diagnosis system were discussed. Education needs for the region was explored. Next meeting Nov3rd.</p>		
<b>C. Southwest</b>	<p>Mark Alexander said SW Region met earlier in the month and discussed .375 as above in legislative report.</p>		

<b>D. Southeast</b>	Debbie Leoni said SE Region is getting things in order so Dr. Russell can send out ballots to elect a medical director. Dr. Jeremy Baird has agreed to accept the position if elected.		
<b>E. East Central</b>	Rich Dandridge reported the TCD conference was a success. East Central is working on developing regional grants and applications for special projects. Next meeting Nov 11 <sup>th</sup> .		
<b>F. Region A</b>	Dr. David Gustafson reported Region A met September 12 <sup>th</sup> . No meeting since the last SAC meeting. Next meeting is November 7 <sup>th</sup> at Liberty Hospital.		
<b>G. Regional EMS Medical Directors Dr. Brian Froelke</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Brian Froelke said there was a quorum for the Regional EMS Medical Directors meeting before SAC today.</li> <li>• The subcommittee voted to send the East Central regional plan to state. There is a need for data to support some of the changes including using the Los Angeles Prehospital Stroke Screen (LAPSS) tool—a higher score indicates the patient might benefit from thrombolectomy; score greater than 4 in 6 hr. window includes plans to bypass Level II and Level III stroke centers and go straight to Level I. A question raised was-- how quickly those people that not candidates for a thrombectomy are reaching the appropriate facility.</li> <li>• Dr. Reich discussed the mental health legislation and the need to have CIT training included. Some judges are utilizing portions of the law. The goal is to be able to take person with mental illness into custody at the scene to get them to hospital.</li> </ul>		
<b>IV. DHSS-BEMS Report</b>			
<b>BEMS Report Mr. Les Jobe</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Jobe thanked the legislative subcommittee for their work and suggestions on .375 ( data reporting above)</li> <li>• The process to have military medics start towards civilian licensure using advance placement will start Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.</li> <li>• CALS supplies will be picked up by Wally Patrick today. Inventory and paperwork has been completed.</li> </ul>	CALS supplies will be removed from agenda.	
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<b>Center for Patient Safety Lee Varner</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data Platform around adverse events including near misses-will be managed by Verge Solutions. It will be a</li> </ul>	-	

	<p>gradual implementation over a six month period to do the upgrade. When it is in place the system will be able to send and receive secure messages. It will also provide more access to CPS resources and share safety watches. Progress on the program will be reported periodically.</p>		
<b>New Business and Announcements</b>			
<b>Old Business</b>	None		
<b>New Business</b>	<p>Dr. Andrews reported information from the ACEP meeting earlier this month. She summarized information from the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) report including Air Medical Model Rules, EMS Compass, Enhancing EMS Transfer of Patient.....High Consequence Infectious Diseases, Model EMS Clinical Guidelines, REPLICA; Scope of Practice Model Revision and Statewide Implementation of Evidence-Based Guidelines. A copy of the NASEMSO report is provided with these minutes.</p> <p>Dr. Sabrina Braithwaite is now at Wash U and has been instrumental in the process for State Evidence Based Model Process Guidelines report.</p> <p>A second general fentanyl drug is reported to be more powerful than fentanyl. It started in the military. Drug companies are trying to get the drug put on ambulances.</p> <p>Dr. Parker is president of ACEP. His will address diversity in EMS and EMS leadership. He will address built in barriers.</p> <p>NEMSIS update is to be out in July</p> <p>Dr. Andrews also reported the DEA bill with wording to allow EMS to give controlled substances in a prehospital setting/environment is still alive. We are hoping this will be resolved before the next congress takes over.</p> <p>SB 1149 addresses qualities measurements to balance bill-gives suppliers an opportunity to become providers.</p> <p>Dr. Andrews also announced HB 1818 passed paving the way for veterans to move to civilian job programs etc. Ben Chlapek,</p>		

	SAC member, worked to get this pasted.		
<b>Next Meeting</b>	November 22, 2016, Truman Building, Jefferson City at 12:30 pm.	Agenda with meeting details will be sent prior to the next meeting.	
<b>Adjourned</b>	Meeting adjourned approximately 1:55 pm.		

  
 Lynthia Andrews DO, SAC Chair

Date Approved 11-22-16

Summary respectfully prepared by Ruby Mehrer

