

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD  
 Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at 0900 hours  
 at Hunters Ambulance  
 Approved March 25, 2020

Members Attendees:	G. Allard, L. Bolton, W. Campion, M. Daniels, S. Johnson, R. Guthrie, M. Loiz, K. McClaine, J. Oates, J. Paretzky, A. Romano, I. Smith and R. Ziegler.
OEMS Staff:	R. Coler, J. Demers, S. Durante, R. Kamin, A. Pugliese, J. Reynolds
EMSC:	M. Cicero
Regional Presidents:	M. Blake, W. Fitzmaurice
Committee Chairs:	B. Morris, S. Gregg, D. Dole, M. Loiz, J. Paretzky
Guests:	S. Conley, L. Timmons, J. Greenberg, K. Coupe
Board Chair:	G. Allard presiding

Please submit request for written reports to Yolanda Williams at OEMS. [Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov](mailto:Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov)

**Meeting opened at 09:10 hours.**

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	January 22, 2020	Minor grammatical change.	Motion to accept the minutes of January 22, 2020 made by F. Rosa, 2 <sup>nd</sup> by W. Fitzmaurice. Motion passed unanimously.
Moment of Silence	In remembrance.	Marge Brenna - Monroe EMS Steven Decapuas - AMR Gretchen Paretzky - (Westport EMS)	
Chair's report	Greg Allard	<p>G. Allard reappointed as Chair by the Commissioner.</p> <p>Updated Committee list;</p> <p>Removed Clinical Coordinator, Data, Paramedic, PIE</p> <p>Committee Chair Appointments – reappointed all current committee chairs</p> <p>Out of Compliance Members regarding attendance policy – Letter complete to out of compliance committee chairs February 2020.</p> <p>Appointment process reviewed</p> <p>Governor Appointee &amp; Member - Steven Dorfman (CT Assoc. of EMSIs) unable to attend today.</p> <p>Annual Report – being created; need committee minutes.</p> <p>EMS PRO Early Bird Ends 2/29/2020</p> <p>Fire/EMS Caucus - Waiting on date for next meeting.</p>	No action.

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OEMS - Ralf Coler	Written report submitted for February 2020	<p>Review of written report with discussion.</p> <p>CEMSTAR Modernization survey sent</p> <p>Trauma data will remain with Digital.</p> <p>EMS uses Image Trend.</p> <p>Staffing – ODMAP position re-submitted; grant was received for this appointment – 1 ½ year position, person will lead ODMAP grant and expansion.</p> <p>Re-posting for another regional coordinator.</p> <p>Education &amp; Training – No updates</p> <p>Opioid / SWORD – QA/QI project – working with agencies that must report; half year summary posted to website; opioid crisis continues to rise.</p> <p>Public statute 18-166 that EMS must communicate to poison control center or providers will be breaking the law.</p> <p>Protocol Committee – continuing to work.</p> <p>Legislation proposals have been submitted; if OEMS does not comment on a board that does not mean OEMS supports or non-supports.</p> <p>Heartsafe – many municipalities are not renewing their Heartsafe designation.</p> <p>MCI Application Review.</p> <p>Regulation updates: placed on hold until legislation session is over.</p>	See written report.
EMSC – Dr. M. Cicero		<p>Waltham, MA on March 9<sup>th</sup>. -pediatric EMS conference hosted by MA EMS-C, no cost for attendance.</p> <p>'Foundation for Pediatric Preparedness' see website for information.</p>	No action.

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		<p>Federal Grant for EMSC was given to Yale for improvements in pre-hospital care. Discussion regarding Pediatric Champions for EMSC in hospitals and EMS agencies.</p> <p>EMSC will be conducting programs in Cromwell on 3.28.20 and Trumbull on (?4.9.20).</p>	
Breakout Session	<p>Legislative Initiatives 2020 – M. Loiz</p> <p>List of bills provided.</p>	<p>Legislative session started 2/5/20 runs through 5/6/20.</p> <p>Tracking about 21 bills; Review of the following bills            HB-5045 – watch            HB-5138 – watch, to Regional Collaboration comm.            HB-5179 – watch            HB-5182 – oppose as written            HB-5204 – oppose; written testimony submitted by M. Loiz            HB-5254 – watch            HB-5285 – support concept with clarification; testimony needed            HB-5286 – watch            HB-5301 – watch            HB-5318 – watch            HB-5319 – watch            HB-5321 – watch            HB-5322 – probable support; watch</p> <p>SB-152 – oppose, testimony needed</p> <p>SB-189 – watch            SB-197 – watch            SB-231 – support in principal; testimony submitted by CEMSAB</p> <p>SB-247 – support with clarification            SB-265 – watch            SB -266 – watch</p>	<p>Motion made by W. Fitzmaurice 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. Oates to allow the Board Chair and Legislative Committee Chair to write or present testimony representing the will of the Board concerning the bills discussed.</p> <p>Motion passed with abstentions from, R. Kamin and R. Coler.</p> <p>SB152 Show of hands vote to oppose – 14 oppose, 3 abstentions (R. Kamin, R. Coler, M. Daniels).</p> <p>SB266 – Show of hands taken; majority to watch.</p>

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Committee reports	CEMSMAC – R. Kamin Feb. 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes submitted	SCT name change to IFT ongoing discussions – protocol examples based on MA.  Medical Equipment List Changes 2020.  Brief discussion on guideline on school bus seatbelts  EPI via EMRs for Anaphylaxis discussed.	See written report. Equipment list for vote at next meeting.  Next meeting on March 12, 2020
	Communications CMED and SIEC – B. Morris	No February meeting held. Update by B. Morris.	Next meeting, March 11, 2020 B. Morris will send information regarding two communication systems to the Board. More information to follow.
	CORP – Jan 22, 2020 Meeting minutes submitted - W. Fitzmaurice	Focus on EMS awards; 3/31/20 deadline with five new categories. Information can be found on website (Ctemscouncil.org); nominations being accepted until March 31, 2020 Award ceremony, May 18 <sup>th</sup> at the State Capitol.	No action.
	Education/Training – M. Zacchera	Curriculum for IFT is in progress. Brief discussion by J. Demers R. Coler - NREMT is scheduled to speak to OEMS. Update will be given to the Board once meeting has occurred. Discussion including the Mark King initiative.	No action.
	Emergency Preparedness	No report.	No action.

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	Legislative – M. Loiz Feb 20, 2020 Minutes submitted.	See above	Next meeting 3/19/20
	MIH – J. Beaulieu January 23, 2020 meeting minutes submitted		See written report.
	Nominating – W. Campion	Inactive.	No action.
	Regionalization – Laucella Written report submitted.	K. Coupe reports that the survey sent out has had about 40 responses.	See written report.
	Trauma - S. Gregg	Trauma Triage and Transport Decision - currently active were compared to the 2011 Guidelines for field triage of injured patients. TXA Administration Prehospital is not beneficial in CT and the Trauma Committee does not support its use. Cefazolin administration prehospital, for open fractures only, was discussed. Brief discussion regarding CPR in schools.	No action.  Mass hemorrhage control training program will be done at the Yard Goats Stadium sometime this summer.
	Volunteer - J. Paretzky	No meeting held.	Next meeting April 2020.
Old Business		Comments (D. Dole) and discussion around First Responder Data –data accuracy – charting software issue; suggest that First responders start to collect data and submit to State.	
Agenda change	motion		Motion to amend the agenda to include Cares program presentation by G. Allard 2 <sup>nd</sup> R. Kamin. Motion passed unanimously.

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New business	Lance Timmons Cares Program	Care Programs Specialist; American Red Cross. Program on how to improve cardiac arrest survival. Data will go into national HIPPA data collection providing static and dynamic reports. The program can be added to current systems.	
Adjourned	11:30 am meeting adjourned	Next meeting March 25, 2020, Hunters	Motion to adjourn by. W. Fitzmaurice, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fred Rosa. Motion passed unanimously.

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