

Mobile Integrated Health Workgroup
Minutes

Chair: Raffaella Coler, Director OEMS

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: LOB, 2D

Meeting Date: October 9, 2018

Attendees: Chris D. Andresen, Bruce B. Baxter, Joshua Beaulieu, Kristin Campanelli, Jennifer Granger, Susan Halpin, Shaun Heffernan, David Lowell, Dr. Maybelle Mercado-Martinez, James Santacroce, Chris Santarsiero, Carl J. Schiessl, William Schietinger, Kelly Sinko, Tracy Wodatch, Dr. Michael F. Zanker

Excused: Gregory Allard, Marybeth Barry, Dorinda Borer, Michael Bova, Dr. Richard Kamin, Dr. Jeannie M. Kenkare, Kimberly A. Sandor/Mary Jane Williams, Heather Somers, Jonathan Steinberg, Dr. Robert W. Zavoski

Guests: Stacey Durante, Renee Holota, Mike Starkowski

Agenda Item	Issue	Discussion	Action/ Responsible
1. Welcome/ Housekeeping:		9:05 Raffaella Coler welcomed the workgroup members present and discussed emergency procedure and exits.	R. Coler
2. Minutes:	Review of the 9/25/18 minutes	Changes: No. Motion made by B. Baxter to accept, seconded by D. Lowell, motion carried and the minutes were accepted as is. Opposed- none. Abstentions-S. Heffernan. All in favor.	Group
3. Sub-Groups Reports/ Update:	a. Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEMSAB MIH Committee • General recommendations nailed down • List of broad and general recommendations • Draft circulating for comment in CEMSAB MIH Comm., should have next meeting 	J. Beaulieu
	b. Application Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should it be a NFS process? • Should CEMSAB/CEMSAB be involved? • Will need a person in OEMS to do MIH • Working on it, in progress, will present after receiving further direction. 	R. Coler
	c. Legislative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • G. Allard out • No Report 	R. Coler
	d. MIH/CP Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft language, on or about November 1st 	B. Baxter
		Another site visit is being made to Boston	R. Coler

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	e. Reimburse- ments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reworking document • Should have for 11/1 	K. Sinko
		All groups should have draft language ready by 11/1/18; great benchmark; then we have all of November to write something up.	R. Coler
	f. Public Education/ Marketing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard to develop when we are not sure what program we are doing • R. Kamin excused today 	R. Coler
5. Next Steps:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original Charge read from September 2017 • I don't think we've had a full discussion on transporting to alternative destination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nothing in statute prohibiting ○ The problem is we can't get paid for that ○ Kristen – is this a possibility? 	R. Coler
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The state will be responsible for paying anything additional • It will be in the insurance carriers rates • We can take a look at it again, but I'm not optimistic • Insurance statute says EMS transportation has to be emergency to a hospital to be reimbursed (paid) 	K. Campanelli
		Are we referring to statues that mandate coverages?	C Schiessl
		Yes, I'll resend my presentation	K. Campanelli
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The statute discusses what must be covered • Insurance companies could enter into arrangements with providers • Value based payments with hospitals and other groups shouldn't be forgotten 	S. Halpin
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What Sue said will be incorporated into our reimbursement section • ACO's and Mark Schaeffer's part will be looked into as well as if we need statutory change to allow this. 	K. Sinko
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The state only has control over 30% of the market, it's not the specific target group for this project, let's not loose site of this. 	S. Halpin
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any other discussion on this? • Discussion on the tasks in the document distributed from September 2017: (attached) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) We have received data and it looks like one size doesn't fit all – each area has to be different b) Scope of Practice will not be affected as long as protocols and medical oversight is provided. c) Mirror the education depending on the program – an a la carte process would work best. 	R. Coler

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> d) Savings or cost would come from Kelly's subgroup and that's being taken care of. e) Reimbursement issues also through Kelly's subgroup. f) Minimum criteria would be part of the application process. g) Insurance payment statutes and operating outside of the 911 system. This will be challenging due to AGs opinion and freelancing that happens. 	
		Can this be addressed as "they are still under the employment of an EMS Service and part of the system response"	J. Santacroce & S. Heffernan
		Right now EMS operates outside of 911 when they get called for transports. Which statute is this?	K. Sinko
		We'll forward the 1991 AG opinion to everyone. (attached)	R. Coler
		Is Kelly's question, how do we work around that now?	J. Beaulieu
		We should have some lawyers work on it	K. Sinko
		Ultimately it'll end up with the AG	C Schiessl
		Further investigation and follow up on this is needed, I'll reach out to our lawyers and then the AG	R. Coler
		h) successful models we have from the NGA document	R. Coler
		We have precedent for g), we're proposing regular transport which we've been doing for decades. It's outside of the 911 system and we've been doing it for decades.	M. Zanker
		This has to be tackled, I need to do research. We've always had non-emergency transports.	R. Coler
		Don't open a can of worms	M. Zanker
		We can interpret the statute	K. Sinko
		Any other next steps?	R. Coler
		Do we check in on 10/28? Or 11/1?	R. Coler
		I'd love a presentation on Kelly's work before 11/1	B. Baxter
		My goal is to share on 11/1.	K. Sinko
		We will meet on the 23 rd to check in	R. Coler
6. Public Comments:		Have you had any thoughts on going to the Health Foundation for financial assistance? They can be a part and assist with funding as well as the process.	M. Starkowski
		Thank you, will check into that	R. Coler
7. Adjourn and Next Meeting:		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to adjourn made by S. Heffernan and seconded by K. Campanelli at 9:33 am • Next meeting 10/23/18. 	R. Coler

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