

APPROVED
CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
March 27, 2024 at 0900 hours
Hunter's Ambulance Service with
Remote option (hybrid)

Board Members	G. Allard (P), L. Bolton, S. Caffyn (P), W. Perez (P), R. Guthrie, K. McClaine, J. Beaulieu (P), M. Loiz (P), J. Paretzky, A. Romano, I. Smith (P), J. Quinlavin, D. Tompkins (P), K. Ferrarotti (P), B. Zura (P), S. Conley (P), R. Ziegler (P), N. Brescia (P), W. Campion
Non-Member Committee Chairs	M. Osborne (Education and Training), B. Morris (CMED), C. Dunn (DATA) (P)
Regional Council Presidents	L. Goodman (Region 1) (P), W. Fitzmaurice (Region 2) (P), K. Aroh (Region 3) (P), J. Danao (Region 4)
EMSC	M. Petrucelli
OEMS Staff:	R. Calciano (P), J. Reynolds (P), M. Zacchera (P), K. Hickcox (P), A. Pugliese (P), F. Glowski (P), J. Demers (P), R. Kamin (CEMSMAC) (P)
Guests	M. Fletcher, T. Schietinger, P. Canning, R. Rautio, P. Gauthier, J. Nadeau, A. Tisdale (P), D. Bailey, D. Kemp. C. Ives, K. Linstrom, C. Darius (P), A. Katz, J. Revell (P)
Board Chair	W. Schietinger (P)

Meeting opened at 09:02

*In Person (P) = 27

*Remote = 23

TOPIC	DISCUSSION LED BY:	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Moment of Silence for Lost EMS Providers	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Gavin, EMT-P L&M • Baltimore bridge collapse victims 	None required.
Meeting Minutes from January 2024	W. Schietinger		<p>Motion to accept February 28, 2024 minutes</p> <p>1st I. Smith 2nd, R. Kamin</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously</p>
Public comment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
Presentation	Reverend John Revell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rev. John Revell – GY6 & First Responder Wellness presentation 	GY6 website with event info: https://gy6initiative.com/
	C. Darius, President of Safety Priority Consultants, LLC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OSHA New Proposed Rule, 29 CFR 1910.156: Emergency Response Presentation 	<p>www.safteypriority.com</p> <p>Emergency Response Rulemaking Occupational Safety and Health Administration (osha.gov)</p> <p>www.oshaedne.com</p>
Chair's Report	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CT LOB Press event review; well attended; radio spot regarding Medicaid reversal. • Legislative event by Monroe EMS review; covered by channel 12 news; Monroe Sun times coverage. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with joint council of CT Fire Service Orgs on Recruitment and Retention discussion – G. Allard 	
OEMS	R. Calciano, written report submitted for March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of submitted report. • SWORD and API • Video module under development • EMS plan has been distributed 	
EMSC Report	M. Petrucelli/W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on updated protocols for EMSC 	
Breakout Session		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
Committee Reports			
CEMSMAC	R. Kamin, March minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of report • Protocols; 2024.1 were released and posted to OEMS website; scope of practice change pending; EMT level supraglottic airway • Minimum equipment list will be finalized for next revision. • Endorsed a best practice policy regarding patient care documentation • Work on IFT ongoing; protocol meeting is open 	

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CMED and SIEC Committee	B. Morris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did not meet in March, no update 	None
Council of Regional Presidents (CORP)	W. Fitzmaurice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some discussion on transition to CTEMS council website over to CORP; asking for \$500 per Region; ongoing cost will be minimum after initial cost • Nominations will be open after CTEMS council website is complete. • Legislative Monroe EMS (joint Region 1 and Region 3) brunch update 	
Data Committee	C. Dunn, March minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of distributed minutes • High performance EMS agency project • Reconvening Data collection group • Looking to have Shawna from CARES attend meeting 	
Education and Training Committee		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated paramedic protocol test bank available 	
Health and Wellness Committee	K. Ferrarotti, March meeting minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of distributed minutes • April 26, May, June Health and Wellness conferences approaching. • Info share regarding therapy dogs • No legislative issues this year • Stress first aid programs being reviewed 	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Emergency-Medical-Services/EMS/Health-and-Wellness

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Legislative Committee	M. Loiz, March minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting 4/18 • Review of Friday legislative huddles; they are found to be very helpful (looking at what is currently happening in legislative that was addressed in prior week and then look forward to the upcoming week) • Trinity health system presented a demonstration in March. • Tracking about 50 bills; bills are starting to be reported out of session; efforts have not stopped; pressure is still needed to legislators. • HB 5105 – no activity • DPH bills – moving along. • Three Medicaid bill; consensus is that there is good support. • Regional coordinators • Rate bill has had some language change. • Certificate of need bills being monitored. • Treatment of dogs being discussed. • Discussion of drone bill; town of Stratford has purchased a drone, current bill is looking to inhibit EMS drones, Senate Bill Three • Question regarding bills that CEMSAB is most in support – Mike will forward to CEMSAB members. 	

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Mobile Integrated Healthcare Committee	J. Beaulieu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MIH conference cancelation review; acknowledged those that participated. • Next meeting March 28th at noon. • Will continue to move forward. 	
Nominating and Membership Committee	J. Quinlavin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
Regional Preparedness and Collaboration Committee	K. Ferrarotti, March minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Released a survey regarding State of EMS; good response; will be reaching out to each Region to have a meeting; Region 5 meeting 4/12 • Task committee to create ad-hoc to make comments on OSHA changes 5/6 deadline – reference to earlier presentation 	
Trauma Committee		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
Action Items	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEMSAB one-page draft fact sheet system overview document submitted to board. • Review of fact sheet draft document regarding CEMSAB and CEMSAC to present to legislators, especially during legislation process, also can be provided to anyone. 	<p>Motion to accept one-page CTEMS fact sheet regarding system overview of CEMSAB that can be presented to legislators:</p> <p>1st G. Allard 2nd, M. Loiz</p> <p>Discussion followed.</p> <p>Following edits requested:</p>

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			<p>(1) Add statutory language to CEMSAB section bullet #3 regarding advising general assembly</p> <p>(2) Under municipality section bullet #2 change EMS provider to EMS organization</p> <p>(3) Under types of EMS providers; change EMS provider to EMS organization</p> <p>(4) Change EMS Practitioner section title to EMS Provider</p> <p>* Move section to below Municipalities section</p> <p>(5) Add phone numbers to contact information at bottom</p> <p>(6) Under municipality section #3 add AEMT next to Paramedic</p> <p>Motion to accept the amended version of the CTEMS board fact sheet with the documented changes</p> <p>1st G. Allard 2nd M. Loiz</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Old Business	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update 	

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New Business	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update 	
Next Meeting	April 24		
Adjournment	11:35 a.m.		Motion to adjourn

Respectively submitted by:
Angela Pugliese, OEMS

EMS Advisory Board Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

2024

~~Jan 24~~ | ~~Feb 28~~ | ~~Mar 27~~ | Apr 24 | May 22 | June 26 | July 24 | Aug 28 | Sept 25 | Oct 30 | Dec 4