

MINUTES
CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD
CMED COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
December 14, 2022 1:30 pm ~ Virtual Meeting Via Zoom

Member Attendees: Betty Morris, Chair/North Central CMED; Steven Savage – Northwest Public Safety; Judi Reynolds – DPH/OEMS;; Shawn Finnigan, Waterford ECC; Vaughn Dumas -Southwest Regional Communications; Stephen Mastroianni, Southwest Regional Communications; Chuck Kelleher, Quinebaug Valley Communications;

Unable to attend: Doug Racicot - Tolland County 911; Jon Rollinson, MEDCOM; Kristin Vargas, Willimantic; Gregg Prevost – Valley Shore Emergency Communications; Dan Soule – Litchfield County Dispatch; Tyler Millix, Tolland County 911; Matthew Duval – Norwich CMED; Groton Communications; Kevin McManus- DSET; Scott Wright, CTS; Troy Clark, CTS

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Meeting called to order at 1:33 p.m.	Presented Minutes of the October 12, 2022 Meeting	Motion to approve (Dumas) seconded (Savage) - Minutes approved.
Statewide EMS Communications CMED Directory	B. Morris reported that the final draft of the EMS Communications Directory is being circulated. She received additional edits for the document. S. Savage and S. Finnigan's edits will be sent to J. Demers prior to the next release. B. Morris will send the EMS Communications Directory to the Chair, CEMSAB for review at the December 28, 2023 meeting.	
State Interoperability CMED Work Group	2022 State Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) <i>Draft</i> . SIEC requests that comments be in by December 16. The next SIEC meeting is Tuesday, December 20, 2022.	
CMED 9-1-1 subsidy Funding	B. Morris opened a discussion on the 9-1-1 Fund CMED subsidy. The \$.30 per capita has not changed since inception in 2004. V. Dumas reported that some municipalities are concerned about the CMED expense. This would be a good time to open conversations that could lead to an increase in the subsidy. North Central approached a legislator in the last session and will be ready to engage with him again during the next session. C. Kelleher affirmed that the increase would require a regulatory change and the last change was in 2020.	

	J. Reynolds and B. Morris will speak to R. Calciano, DPH/OEMS. She is a member on the 9-1-1 Commission. V Dumas has other Commissioners in his region that he will speak to as well.	
Other Business	<p><i>Hospital Diversion Guidelines</i> –J. Reynolds restated that the DPH Commissioner will recognize the Hospital Diversion guidelines as a best practice document. B. Morris will request a final version from the Chair of CEMSAB.</p> <p><i>Goals for 2023</i> – (1) Distribute the 2022/2023 CT EMS Communications Directory (2) Pursue increase in the CMED subsidy from the State 9-1-1 Fund. (2) Develop CMED fact sheet and education component for users of the CMED system as well as Municipal Leaders.</p>	
Adjournment/Next Meeting	The meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m. The next meeting is Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.	

Respectfully submitted: Betty Morris, Chair

2023 Meetings; January 11, 2023, February 8, 2023, March 8, 2023, April 12,2023, May 10, 2023, June 14, 2023, (No July or August meetings) September 13, 2022, October 11, 2023, November 8, 2023 and December 13, 2023

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