

MINUTES
CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD
CMED COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
January 11, 2023 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;; Jon Rollinson, MEDCOM; Kristin Vargas, Willimantic; Gregg Prevost – Valley Shore Emergency Communications; Dan Soule – Litchfield County Dispatch; Troy Clark, CTS

Unable to attend: Doug Racicot - Tolland County 911; Tyler Millix, Tolland County 911; Matthew Duval – Norwich CMED; Groton Communications; Kevin McManus- DSET; Scott Wright, CTS; Chuck Kelleher, Quinebaug Valley Communications

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Meeting called to order at 1:33 p.m.	Presented Minutes of the December 14, 2022 Meeting	Motion to approve (Soule) seconded (Finnigan) - Minutes approved.
Statewide EMS Communications CMED Directory	B. Morris reported that the final draft of the EMS Communications Directory will be presented at the January 25, 2023 meeting of the CT EMS Advisory Board.	
CMED 9-1-1 subsidy Funding	The group continued the discussion on the CMED 9-1-1 subsidy funding. The \$.30 per capita subsidy amount has not changed since inception. CMEDs that are not 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Points do not have access to capital grants from the fund. CMEDs receive reimbursement for EMD training only. The CT Legislative session opens in February. A regulatory change is necessary in order for the subsidy to change.	
Goals for 2023	The goals for 2023 are (1) Distribute the 2022/2023 CT EMS Communications Directory (2) Pursue increase in the CMED subsidy from the State 9-1-1 Fund. (3) Develop a CMED fact sheet and education component for users of the CMED system as well as Municipal Leaders. (4) Continue the expansion of the P25 system.	

Other Business State Interoperability CMED Work Group	<p>S. Savage (NWPS) reported on the expansion and success of the numerous new talk groups in Region 5. In the absence of S. Wright, B. Morris reported that he had shared the draft plan naming the P25 MED Channels.</p> <p>The next meeting of the SIEC is January 17, 2023. The final draft of the 2022 Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan will be voted on.</p>	
Adjournment/Next Meeting	<p>The meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m. The next meeting is Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom.</p>	

Respectfully submitted: Betty Morris, Chair

2023 Meetings; 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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