CT EMS Advisory Board

Education and Training Committee

March 16th, 2021 Zoom Meeting

Member Attendees: Louis Brockett, Melissa Osborne, David Burich, Donna Lillis, Michael Zacchera, John Pierce, Art Romano, Pat Gauthier, Sean Fitch, Damien Rickard

Excused Members: Tori Benoit, Jackie Nemcik, Joel Demers

| Topic | Discussion | Action |
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| Meeting called to order at 09:33 | February 2021 Minutes | Approved |
| OEMS Update – Joel Demers | No Report | |
| CSEMSI – Donna Lillis | No updates | |
| CEMSAB – Lou Brockett | Discussed upcoming Senate Bills | Group to discuss bills specific to education under New Business |
| CEMSMAC – Melissa Osborne | Discussed adding SGA to equip. list for Pediatrics Discussion on intubation of pedi pts. (Lack of successful ETT, lack of experience w/) | |
| Regulation Review Update- Zacchera | Nothing New | |
| EMS Pro Expo – Sean Fitch | Next meeting on 3/24Golf will be pre-expo | Discussion on if there will be virtual options. This can be very labor intensive, and probably will not be available. |
| MIH –Melissa Osborne | No position at OEMS yet, so still at a standstill. | |

| IFT - Osborne | Continues to work on | |
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| | "critical checklists"Working Group from StateEd | Working group so far: Melissa Osborne, John Pierce, Pat Gauthier. Will set up time to meet |
| Old Business | Update of BLS Presentations | Glucometry to be presented at March meeting |
| | | Narcan – John Pierce will do |
| | BLS Exam | Group to review ? chart and add questions on protocols that are missing. Discussion on when people are using it: during Orientation, NCCP. |
| | ALS Exam | Group reviewed added questions and approved. ? chart to be updated, and reach out to Med. Controls for more questions |
| New Business | Discussion on proposed Senate bills: | SB334 – Sean Fitch to reach out. Group feels it is a step backwards – instructors should be using NHTSA/NREMT guided curriculum. OEMS did submit their opinion. Motion made and accepted for Chair to write a letter opposing this bill. SB102: Motion made and approved to oppose bill on the following grounds: Single Vendor, newly certified EMS still have a lot to learn in the field, and have to do continuing ed. Program does not show that it is evidence based. |

| New Business Cont'd | | Brockett to find out when next hearing is. |
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| | | Group discussed the idea of a special meeting being called when bills that apply to education are up for comment. As long as proper notification (via email) and a quorum is present – this can be done. |
| | Protocol Knowledge | Discussion on EMR/EMT actual knowledge of statewide protocols and how to improve this. |
| | | It should be being discussed during NCCP refreshers. Can be done on hire as well. |
| | Paramedic Candidates | Discussion on state need for paramedics, but lacking candidates. Some due to COVID education stall. |
| Chair Report | Advisory Board to meet 3/24 at 0900 | |
| Info Sharing | Discussion on sharing teaching resources in the State of CT | Group would like to look at ways for instructors to have a "one stop shop" place to share ideas and presentations. Suggestions include: EMS-I society webpage or other type of sharing platform |
| Next Meeting | April 2oth , 2021 at 0930 | Meeting held via zoom |
| Adjourned | 11:21 | Submitted by: Melissa Osborne |