

CT EMS Advisory Board

Mobile Integrated Healthcare Committee

August 26, 2021

Member Attendees: Josh Beaulieu, David Burich, Robert Glaspy, Chris O'Brien, Melissa Osborne, John Quinlavin

Excused Members: Sean Caffyn, Erin Riggott, Jim Santacroce, Irene Smith, ,

OEMS Staff:

Topic	Discussion	Action
Meeting called to order at 1405	Minutes from 5/27/2021 meeting reviewed and approved	Motion – David Burich Second – Melissa Osborne
Old Business		
Information Sharing on new Programs	Melissa Osborne discussed a program to address opioid overdose by leaving naloxone with people at risk for overdose. Opportunities to pursue a similar protocol in CT were discussed.	Committee members will look protocols from other states concerning naran distribution and referral of people with opioid addiction to recovery services. Applicability in CT to be discussed at Oct meeting.
Community Data Reporting	None reported at this time	
CT MIH Implementation Update	No movement on filling a position at OEMS. Josh Beaulieu has had discussions with other groups looking for progress toward MIH implementation. There is consensus around the need to get an audience with someone at the top of State government. Efforts continue to elicit support from elected officials.	
New Business	The committee discussed pursuing immediately attainable service delivery and partnership opportunities that may be less-common for EMS currently but don't require MIH program approval to	Committee members will contact local hospice providers to get information on current needs or interest in working more closely with EMS.

	pursue. Specific examples discussed are the narcan distribution and referral protocol identified above and cooperation with hospice agencies to address gaps in coverage or unnecessary hospital transports.	
<i>Info Sharing</i>	None	
<i>Adjournment</i>	Meeting adjourned at 1445	Next Meeting – September 23, 2021