Approved (Oct 30, 2024)

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD (CEMSAB)

September 25, 2024 at 0900 hours

Hunter's Ambulance Service with
Remote option (hybrid)

Board Members	G. Allard (P), Nancy Brescia (P), M. Daniels (P), K. Ferrarotti, J. Laucella, M. Loiz (P), J. Paretzky (P), J. Quinlavin (P), I. Smith (P), D. Tompkins, R. Ziegler (P), B. Zura (P), W. Schietinger, S. Conley (P), K. McClaine, K. Coupe
Non-Member Committee Chairs	M. Osborne (Education and Training) (P), B. Morris (CMED), C. Dunn (DATA) (P)
Regional Council Presidents	L. Goodman (Region 1) (P), W. Fitzmaurice (Region 2), M. Letita (Region 3) (P)
EMSC	M. Petrucelli (P)
OEMS Staff:	R. Calciano (P), J. Reynolds (P), M. Zacchera (P), A. Pugliese (P), F. Glowski (P), K. Hickcox (P), R. Kamin (CEMSMAC) (P), S. Andrews (P)
Guests	D. Laspino (P), C. Bassett (P), J. Thorne (P), T. Schietinger, R. Mara, J. Way, L. Cooper, P. Canning, K. Aroh, A. Katz, R. Rautio, J. Nadeau (P), K. Felisca (P), T. Lardaro (P)
Board Chair (sitting)	J. Beaulieu (P)

Meeting opened at 9:00 am

*In Person (P) = 30

*Remote = 16

TOPIC	DISCUSSION LED BY:	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Moment of Silence for Lost EMS Providers	J. Beaulieu	• Tom Collins (Norwalk Hospital) • Daniel Keyes (New Haven FD)	None required.
Meeting Minutes from August 2024	J. Beaulieu		Motion to accept August 24 minutes. 1st I. Smith, 2nd, J. Paretzky Motion passed unanimously
Public comment		• None	
Presentation	Jason Nadeau, MCI minutes submitted	• MCI Planning discussion: there is substantial crossover / different types of triage. Discussion of strike teams, etc. and command resources. • A unified front is needed from CEMSAB and support of regions and agencies. • Next step – reach out to all committee chairs through regional coordinators so as not to duplicate efforts.	
Chair's Report	J. Beaulieu	• Bruce Baxter retirement – celebration of career is tomorrow; board recognizes I. Smith for obtaining gift to Bruce on behalf of CEMSAB. • Board chair appointment – chair needs to be reappointed annually; letter needs to be sent to commissioner; Bill Schietinger was elected for two years; M. Loiz will follow up • CT EMS awards ceremony – reminder that it is Thurs night of the conference (24th) at 6 p.m. – awards are closed	

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OEMS	R. Calciano, written report submitted for September 2024	• Review of September report • Review of Frequent asked questions regarding 2025 rates, long form applications due by 9/30/24 – all questions should be directed to R. Holota, OEMS. • Presentation of ambulance establish rate setting; how a rate gets created, statutory requirements, commissioner's responsibility; history of rate increases. *Question regarding CPI table that supported CPI zero. Ralf will send out. *Question regarding Section 19a 179-21 J	
EMSC Report	M. Petrucelli	• No report	
Breakout Session		• CEMSAB 2025 Goals • CEMSAB 2025 Legislative Initiatives discussion	Motion to create an ad hoc committee to look into concern for EMS clinician violence. 1st R. Kamin 2nd C. Dunn Discussion followed. K. Coupe and R. Kamin will lead committee. Motion passed unanimously.

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Committee Reports			
CEMSMAC	R. Kamin, June meeting minutes submitted	• Productive meeting in September, review of minutes. No questions.	
CMED and SIEC Committee	B. Morris	• Met in September • Review of presentation by Kim Cerullo of CT Healthcare Coalition Communications, changes to nursing home mutual aid	
Council of Regional Presidents (CORP)	W. Fitzmaurice	• Met last week, choosing recipients for 2024 awards; nominations for 13 awards, 14 recipients, two awards under physician of the year as there was a tie. • Received 50 submissions for recognitions for years of service and 17 for last call remembrance. • Award ceremony on October 24th at EMS Pro conference at 6 pm, Foxwoods	https://ctemscouncils.org/
Data Committee	C. Dunn	• Minutes were distributed, • Expanding beyond Response Times discussion	
Education and Training Committee	M. Osborne, August minutes submitted	• Good meeting in September • AHA Stemi Committee, P. Canning, one day symposium. • EMSI Train the trainer class; guidance document • Updated EMT supraglottic protocol	

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Health and Wellness Committee	K. Ferrarotti, Aug. and Sept. minutes submitted	• EMS Pro will have a roundtable. • Looking for interest of new membership in this committee	
Legislative Committee	M. Loiz, Sept. minutes submitted	• Legislative initiatives and feedback; session starts on 1/8/25 • Met in Sept, next meeting 10/17 • EMS on the Hill, April 2 and 3, 2025 • Siren Act, shared with Region 3, 4, and 5 • Grant money available for equipment, training, and staff	
Mobile Integrated Healthcare Committee	J. Beaulieu, M. Zacchera	• Working on Best practice document	
Nominating and Membership Committee		• No report	
Regional Preparedness and Collaboration Committee	K. Ferrarotti, Sept. minutes submitted	• No report	
Trauma Committee	May minutes submitted	• No report	
Action Items	J. Beaulieu	• None	
Old Business	J. Beaulieu	• Narcan Leave Behind Review, documents were sent; reach out to K. Hickcox	

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		• OSHA Proposed Standard; last month ad hoc committee was created. *M. Osborne – Presentation on OSHA proposed standard; met with Scott Moore, 3 talking points; training and education, Building regulations and medical exams *Testimony should be no 5-10 minutes, or submit documentation with testimony	
New Business	J. Beaulieu	• J. Laucella - Health care coalition grant and ESF 8 review, Region 2; $30,000 funding to assist providers; $10,000 region pays for 100 providers to attend the pediatric symposium at EMS PRO; 50 EMS providers to register for 3-day conference pass to EMS Pro • I. Smith – review of 2025 calendar dates, EMS Pro date will be in September 24-27th	
Next Meeting	October 30		
Adjournment	10:46 a.m.		Motion to adjourn

Respectfully 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