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CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD (CEMSAB)

October 30, 2024 at 0900 hours

Hunter's Ambulance Service with
Remote option (hybrid)

Board Members	G. Allard (P), L. Bolton, Nancy Brescia (P), S. Caffyn (P), K. Coupe (P), K. Ferrarotti, R. Guthrie (P), M. Loiz (P), S. Martus (P), K. McClaine, J. Paretzky (P), J. Quinlavin (P), I. Smith (P), J. Spencer, D. Tompkins, B. Zura
Non-Member Committee Chairs	B. Morris (CMED), C. Dunn (DATA) (P) J. Nadeu (MCI)
Regional Council Presidents	L. Goodman (Region 1), W. Fitzmaurice (Region 2), M. Letita (Region 3) (P)
EMSC	
OEMS Staff:	R. Calciano (P), J. Reynolds (P), M. Zacchera (P), A. Pugliese, F. Glowski (P)
Guests	T. Schietinger, S. Varga, L. Cooper, D. Moore, R. Mara, S. Conley (P), C. Bassett (P), D. Laspino (P), A. Morisano
Board Chair	W. Schietinger (P)

Meeting opened at 9:03 am

*In Person (P) = 20

*Remote = 17

TOPIC	DISCUSSION LED BY:	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Moment of Silence for Lost EMS Providers	W. Schietinger	• EMT-P Michael Szumigala • FF Robert Sharkevich • EMR Russell Neary • Asst. Chief Peter Blomberg	None required.
Meeting Minutes from September 2024	W. Schietinger		Motion to accept September 25 minutes. 1st J. Quinlavin 2nd M. Letita Discussion followed; one change of attendance list Abstain: Bob Guthrie Motion passed.
Public comment		• None	
Presentation	Latisha Cooper, Cares Program Specialist	• Overview of CARES (Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival) and questions taken.	latisha.cooper@redcross.org
Chair's Report	W. Schietinger	• EMS Pro review • Meeting location change, possibly to CHA • Medicaid stakeholder meetings: first meeting is tomorrow; Phase 1 study PDF file will be shared • OSHA public testimony; 11/12 with free info session on 10/31	

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OEMS	R. Calciano, written report submitted for October 2024	• Review of EMS Awards event • Review of October report • Review of SWORD, API, MCI trailers • Baxter updates	
EMSC Report		• No report	
Committee Reports			
CEMSMAC	K. McClaine, October meeting minutes submitted	• IFT committee and protocol committee, all are welcome • Ability of transporting psychiatric patients • Review of Oct meeting minutes	
CMED and SIEC Committee	B. Morris	• Did not meet in October • Review of communication issues; 911 outage • Region by Region long term mutual aid plan • Next meeting in November	
Council of Regional Presidents (CORP)	W. Fitzmaurice	• EMS Award review; well attended; handed out 14 awards; memorial table; years of service certificates can be picked up from OEMS • Conference will be held at Mohegan in 2025 • Thanks to L. Goodman for her work with CORP	https://ctemscouncils.org/

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Data Committee	C. Dunn, Minutes distributed	• No update	
Education and Training Committee	J. Nadeau	• Education for supraglottic airway and end-tidal training will hopefully be done by end of year.	
Health and Wellness Committee	K. Ferrarotti, October minutes submitted	• Regional roundtable review; leader wellness • Challenges of paramedic staffing	
Legislative Committee	M. Loiz, Oct minutes submitted	• Met on Oct. 17 • Session Jan. 8 – Jun 4 ▪ Requested approval for Legislative initiatives. ▪ Requested approval for Legislative 1 pager letters; “We look forward to working” suggested update ▪ Send initiatives to vote on for December meeting	
Mobile Integrated Healthcare Committee	M. Zacchera	• Rough drafts of best practices • Waiting for governor’s office to approve	
Nominating and Membership Committee		• M. Loiz will send letter for reappointing of chair.	
Regional Preparedness and Collaboration Committee	K. Ferrarotti	• No report	
Trauma Committee		• Next meeting Nov. 6	

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Action Items	W. Schietinger	• None	
Old Business	W. Schietinger	• MCI Planning (Ad Hoc Committee), J. Nadeau, final report for next month • Violence against EMS Providers (Ad hoc committee); K. Coupe summarized. • OSHA Proposal Update	
New Business	W. Schietinger	• R. Calciano – CT healthcare coalition; scholarship funds for EMS	
Next Meeting	December 4		
Adjournment	10:26 am		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