

**CEMSMAC AGENDA
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REVIEW OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 28, 2012

DPH REPORT

RAY BARISHANSKY

SCT

KEVIN BROWN

TRANSITION TO NATIONAL SCOPE OF PRACTICE

KEVIN BROWN

Approval of implementation timeline

Approval of modifications to the national model

Other approvals as required

Need to update the CT Statewide BLS protocols

VanGelder

Issues Related to Diversion

VanGelder

OTHER BUSINESS

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
Connecticut Hospital Association
Thursday, December 13, 2012

Minutes (draft)

Member Attendees: Robert Grant, M.D., Richard Kamin, M.D., James Parker, M.D., Carin Van Gelder, M.D., Steven Wolf, M.D.

OEMS Staff: Raphael Barishansky, David Bailey, Kevin Brown, Yolanda Williams

Guests: Sandy Bogucki, M.D., Marielle Daniels, Ryan Carter, M.D., Al Gambino,

Chair: Steven Wolf, M. D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of the November 28, 2012 meeting.	No discussion held.	Motion to approve the minutes as written made by Dr. Parker and seconded by Dr. Grant. Motion passed.
DPH Report	Update	The 12 Lead and Tourniquet documents were received back from the Commissioner as additional information was needed. Dr. Kamin is working on a way to have the meeting available via video/phone services.	Revisions will be made and sent back to the Commissioner.

Specialty Care Transport (SCT) by Kevin Brown	Update	Several programs are being offered and information is being received at OEMS from the programs. There have been inquiries regarding program content/running a program - the issue of course content expansion was discussed.	
National Scope of Practice	Transition	The latest document was distributed and reviewed by the group. Changes were noted.	The issue of Spinal Immobilization will be revisited. Revised document will be distributed for the next meeting.
CT Statewide BLS Guidelines by Dr. Van Gelder	Discussion	Several regions are in support of the idea of an updating of the State-wide BLS guidelines. The primary drive toward this is consensus on appropriate patient care. Discussion ensued on how best to proceed.	The group will review New Hampshire's and other state protocols for further discussion.
Diversion	Issues	Several hospitals mentioned issues as they are struggling with diversion. CCMC discussed their continued issues with behavioral health diversion due to inability to move children out of the ED.	
AEMT	Update	This issue is with the Commissioner – updates to follow.	

Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. @ CHA.	
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Respectfully submitted by,
Yolanda Williams, Secretary
DPH, Office of Emergency Medical Services

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
The American Heart Association
Thursday, November 28, 2012

Minutes (draft)

Member Attendees: Robert Grant, M.D., Richard Kamin, M.D., James Parker, M.D., Carin Van Gelder, M.D.

OEMS Staff: Raphael Barishansky, Kevin Brown, Yolanda Williams

Guests: Raffaella Coler, R.N., Marielle Daniels, Philip Heavin, Paul Rabeauf, Al Gambino

Chaired Meeting: Dr. Richard Kamin

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of the September 13, 2012 meeting.	No discussion held.	Motion to approve the minutes as written made by Dr. Grant and seconded by Dr. Van Gelder.
DPH Report	Update	<p>The 12 Lead and Tourniquet documents are on the Commissioner's desk, more information to come.</p> <p>The office is implementing a process to develop and promulgate guidance via communications documents. The Rehabilitation document is the first communication statement to be published.</p>	Dr. Van Gelder will work with Ray Barishansky, EMS Director on the Rehab communication document with the consent of the group.

Specialty Care Transport (SCT) by Kevin Brown	Update	Currently there are 3 programs going on at this time. The group reviewed this item at the last meeting.	No action items at this time. The group was asked to review the material again. Deferred until the next meeting.
Scope of Practice/Education standards implementation	Update	Transition material – the new Scope of Practice (SOP) model will become effective June 2013. A strategy was distributed last June and approved by Education and Training. Salient points regarding CT specifics raised by K. Brown and discussed by group. Group voted to move forward.	K. Brown to review list of clinical skills/interventions to confirm accuracy and report back
Selective C-Spine Immobilization	Update	The protocol was updated and distributed for the meeting. No education material has been proposed as of yet. Suggestions were made and changes noted.	A motion was made to approve the document with the modifications made today. Dr. Grant and Dr. Van Gelder seconded the motion. Vote <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes – 5 • No - 0 • Abs – 0 Motion carried.
State Wide Protocols by Dr.	Discussion	Dr. Kamin gave an overview of two projects	Any comments, please contact Dr.

Kamin		<p>currently in process :</p> <p>One was the NHTSA funded national model EMS guidelines and the other is the proposed development of New England Regional EMS guidelines (New Hampshire State EMS guidelines to be used as a template)</p> <p>Background information was provided to the committee about State Wide Protocols – Dr Kamin also noted that that at the recent New England Region EMS Council the concept of Regional guidelines was presented by the New England Region State EMS Medical Directors.</p> <p>The New England EMS Council voted to support the concept and a subcommittee will be formed to assist with the development.</p> <p>Dr. Kamin proposed looking at the recently revised New Hampshire State EMS Guidelines as a baseline for adoption in CT.</p>	Kamin.
Adjourned	Motion made by Dr. Kamin to adjourn at 12:03.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2012 at CHA @ 10 a.m.	

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Minutes (draft)

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OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Raphael Barishansky, Kevin Brown, Yolanda Williams

Guests: Glenn Arremony, Sandy Bogucki, M.D., Kevin Burns, Raffaella Coler, R.N., Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Joe Larcheveque, Marc Passo, Paul Rabeauf, Carin Van Gelder, M.D.,

Chair: Steven Wolf, M.D.

Vice Chair: Alberto Perez, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of the June 14, 2012 meeting	No discussion held.	Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Dr. Kamin and seconded by Dr. Grant.
DPH Report	Update Update on CHA/DPH/CEMSMAC	Dr. Kamin introduced the new DPH EMS Director, Raphael Barishansky, and Wendy Furniss, EMS Branch Chief. Everyone went around the room and introduced themselves. CHA discussed in a previous meeting that they were going to create a group to look at the	

	Regulations rewording issue	Regulations and rewording issues and establish their position on this issue. The first meeting will be held on September 25, 2012, 9:30 – 11:00 am at CHA.	
Education and Training Raffaella Coler	Update on Selective C-Spine and CPAP Education Simplified	<p>There was some concerns mentioned in regard to CPAP for the BLS level. Currently the medical directors have the option to determine best practice.</p> <p>As for selective C-Spine immobilization, there is also some concern as this is very complex to work through and the protocol as written reads very complicated.</p> <p>The Education Committee will meet next week, September 19, 2012 to revise the packets.</p>	<p>Dr. Kamin will distribute a copy of the study done in Canada.</p> <p>Raffaella Coler will take this feedback to the committee.</p> <p>More information at the next CEMSMAC meeting.</p>
Blood Product	Transport Added to Paramedic Scope of Practice	<p>There is some concern from the group that it may be difficult to get staff trained and there may be financial issues as well. Some are opposed to revisiting this as the program was approved 2 years ago. The group was getting in line with the National Scope of Practice.</p> <p>The SCT was intended to cover everything. Training at different level will require regulation changes.</p> <p>Clarification is needed from the group.</p>	<p>Dr. Kamin made a motion that CEMSMAC support the Specialty Care Transport level of Paramedics.</p> <p>David Bailey made a motion to reframe Dr. Kamin's motion.</p> <p>Dr. Kamin retracts last motion, which was seconded by Sandy</p>

			<p>Bogucki.</p> <p>New motion made by Dr. Kamin that the agreement made with the group 2 years ago is still in place. Additionally, Dr. Kamin suggested that CEMSMAC develop an ad-hoc group be developed to review utilization.</p> <p>Kevin Brown will distribute the latest spreadsheet.</p>
Fire Rehab	Use of Carboxhemoglobin Measurement? Should CEMSMAC issue any guidance?	<p>This issue was discussed at the June 2012 meeting. Question is: should CEMSMAC issue any guidance regarding Utility of portable measurements?</p> <p>Some concern that medical decision being used outside of EMS system.</p>	<p>Dr. Perez asked that the committee review the draft distributed at the meeting.</p> <p>Please contact David Bailey of DPH with comments to prepare and vote at the next meeting.</p>
Adjourned	Motion made by Dr. Kamin to adjourn at 12:05 p.m. Dr. Grant seconded the motion.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is October 11, 2012 at CHA @ 10 a.m.	

Respectfully submitted by,
Yolanda Williams, Secretary
DPH, Office of Emergency Medical Services

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
The Connecticut Hospital Association
Thursday, June 14, 2012

Minutes (draft)

Member Attendees: David Cone, M.D., Robert Grant, M.D., Alberto Perez, M.D., Steven Wolf, M.D.

OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown, Leonard Guercia, Jr., Yolanda Williams

Guests: Sandy Bogucki, M.D., Kevin Burns, Peter Canning, Raffaella Coler, R.N., Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Al Gambino, Alex Goldstein, Philip Heavin, Joe Larcheveque, Paul Rabeauf, Jay Walshon, M.D.

Chair: Steven Wolf, M.D.

Vice Chair: Alberto Perez, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of May 10, 2012	No discussion.	Minutes approved as written.
DPH Report by Leonard Guercia	Update - Written report was submitted.	Applications for the EMS Manager's position have been received. The process will begin and looking to get the position filled as quickly as possible.	
EMS Advisory Board by John Quinlavin	Update	Revote – Due to Freedom of Information (FOI) requirements. Trauma Triage re-voted with a change to call med control. AEMT re-voted and opened up to public comment. Vote was	

		<p>similar, not to support.</p> <p>Volunteer Representative met with the DPH Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner – and proposed a 90 day moratorium.</p>	
<p>Region 5 Proposal – presented by Dr. Koobatian</p>	<p>BLS To Divert Field Diagnosed STEMI's To An Angioplasty (Continued discussion)</p>	<p>The Pilot Program was defined. The program involves Danbury and New Milford Hospitals and the 7 surrounding towns and is not statewide. The protocol is for BLS providers to acquire 12-lead ECGs in suspected ACS patients and transmit to the hospital for interpretation. Ambulances with confirmed STEMI patients will be directed to bypass New Milford Hospital and proceed directly to Danbury Hospital. The program will be reviewed on an ongoing basis to determine if it increases system efficiency and to identify any negative issues. Training will be provided for both EMS personnel and ER Staff. The pilot is expected to continue until 50 patients have been enrolled after which it will be considered whether to adopt the protocol permanently.</p> <p>Lengthy discussion ensued. Some feel that running this program may address many issues.</p>	<p>Dr. Wolf proposed that CEMSMAC support the Pilot Proposal – Pilot Program New Milford Sponsored Hospital BLS to field and divert BLS, perform 12 Lead EKG. Dr. Grant seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Dr. Koobatian was asked to return to CEMSMAC to give the committee follow-up information during the trial.</p>
<p>Regulations</p>	<p>Discussion of Latest DPH/Advisory Version (continued discussion)</p>	<p>Dr. Van Gelder reviewed the versions and briefly identified the areas of concern.</p>	<p>Timeframe – next meeting.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem Paramedics • Medical Direction <p>Other items such as Statewide Protocol and Removing Medical Direction will all be discussed in the summer review.</p>	
Selective C-Spine	Clearance	<p>A proposal was made to implement C-Spine clearance. Request was done February 2012. Patient care guideline was distributed. The issue is to approve the concept first.</p> <p>This may need to be simplified</p>	<p>Dr. Cone made a motion to support the concept and Dr. Grant seconded the motion. Will re-work the protocol to simplify.</p> <p>Vote: All in favor – passed unanimously.</p>
Paramedic Transfers	Blood Products and Training	<p>Concern by the paramedic committee. Dr. Wolf was contacted – paramedics presently are routinely transporting blood products without the need for the additional, formalized Specialty Care Transport (SCT) training. They would like to add the transport of blood products to the proposed paramedic scope of practice to avoid the potential for negative impact to the availability of transfer services.</p> <p>The intent with SCT was to cover all these issues. SCT trained paramedics are needed to perform this level of care presently.</p>	
CPAP Education	Should we revisit the	Review of the educational packet – there are	This will go back to Education and

	concept of CPAP for Basics? (continued discussion)	training module issues and or concerns. This was passed 3 years ago. The concept was BLS to use CPAP. Some discussion held, the committee agreed there was a need to greatly simplify the packet.	Training. Dr. Cone will meet with Raffaella Coler to further discuss/review the education piece.
Specialty Care Transports (SCT)	Update	No update.	
Scope of Practice (SOP)	Issues	Fire departments have raised concerns regarding the Committee's consensus to exclude non-invasive carboxyhemoglobin measurement from the proposed EMS scope of practice at all levels. These devices are already in use by many fire and EMS services for both fire rehab as well as screening of patients for CO. Discussion regarding fire rehab and that services need to engage 911 systems and have patients sign refusals prior to release.	The Scope of Practice needs to be formalized. Dr. Van Gelder will draft a document regarding CO monitoring. The final draft will be promulgated through CEMSMAC.
Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.	The next CEMSMAC meeting TBA.	

Respectfully submitted by,
Yolanda Williams, Secretary

DPH, Office of Emergency Medical Services

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
 The Connecticut Hospital Association
 Thursday, May 10, 2012

Minutes (draft)

Member Attendees: Sandy Bogucki, M.D., Robert Grant, M.D., Richard Kamin, M.D., Steven Wolf, M.D.

OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown, Leonard Guercia, Jr., Yolanda Williams

Guests: Kevin Burns, Raffaella Coler, R.N., Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Al Gambino, Philip Heavin, Joe Larcheveque, Fred Rosa, John Quinlavin, Paul Rabeauf, Carin Van Gelder, M.D., Jay Walshon, M.D.

Chair: Steven Wolf, M.D.

Vice Chair: Alberto Perez, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of April 12, 2012.	Correction to the minutes to add the minutes review section. No further discussion held.	Dr. Grant made a motion to approve the minutes with the noted correction. Dr. Kamin seconded the motion. Motion passed.
DPH Report by Leonard Guercia	Update - Written report was submitted.	Applications for the Managers Position are already being submitted. Data meeting held with Traffic Records, good ideas were obtained. Jean Speck who is attending a conference also has some	

		<p>information that she obtained from the Data Managers Workshop that she will share with DPH upon her return.</p> <p>In the Education & Training section of the office, Alex Rodriguez and Kevin Brown worked collaboratively to roll out a standard script for new EMT's. To date, 6 sessions remaining.</p>	
<p>EMS Advisory Board by John Quinlavin</p>	<p>Update</p>	<p>Freedom of Information requirements: Committee Agendas' must be posted 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting. Therefore the last meeting votes need to be repeated with repeated opportunity for public comment.</p> <p>The group revoted on the Triage Guidelines. There was a change in the Flow Chart section, but does not change the Boards position.</p> <p>"When in doubt contact medical control" was substituted for "When in doubt go to trauma center" This was consistent with previous versions.</p> <p>Dr. Wolf asked the CEMSMAC group if they had any concerns about the change and what was voted on?</p> <p>The Northwest group shared their issues; they felt the AEMT level should remain. The EMS Advisory Board supported CEMSMAC's</p>	<p>No further discussion held.</p>

		<p>position by conducting a re-vote.</p> <p>The State EMS Awards ceremony is set to take place on May 21st at 10:00 a.m., at the Legislative Office Building (LOB), in Room 1D. Recipients have been notified and the Commissioner is being requested.</p> <p>House Bill 5526 is still on the house calendar. An Ad Hoc group will be formed to continue to work on for the future.</p>	<p>Further discussion to be held to determine how best to prepare for the next legislative session.</p>
Education & Training	Tourniquet - Final Education Packet	<p>The final Tourniquet Training Program was reviewed.</p> <p>Concerns and issues were raised regarding EMT use of CPAP.</p>	<p>Specific treatment modality was tabled for further discussion.</p>
Region 5 Proposal	BLS To Divert Field Diagnosed STEMIs To An Angioplasty	<p>Dr. Grant provided a brief update about a Pilot Program and using BLS 12 Lead EKG.</p>	<p>Item tabled for further discussion. Dr. Grant will follow up and get back to the group.</p>
Regulations	Discussion of Latest DPH/Advisory Version	<p>The latest version was provided for the meeting dated 2-10-12.</p> <p>Concerns exist about CEMSMAC having the opportunity to review the regulations especially with regard to requirements of the EMS Medical Director and obligation of hospitals to the system.</p>	

	Jim Iacobellis of CHA provided a legislative update	CHA will create a group to work out a consensus rewording with the present version and the hospitals.	CHA will contact CEOs for representatives to the workgroup
Fire Rehab	Statement To Be Discussed	Item was not discussed at the meeting.	
Scope of Practice	Discussion Continued	Item was not discussed at the meeting.	
SCT	Update	Item was not discussed at the meeting.	
Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2012 at CHA in Wallingford.	

Respectfully submitted by,

Yolanda Williams, Secretary
DPH, Office of Emergency Medical Services

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
 The Connecticut Hospital Association
 Thursday, April 12, 2012

Minutes (draft)

Member Attendees: David Cone, M.D., Jason Fischel, M.D., Richard Kamin, M.D., James Parker, M.D., Alberto Perez, M.D., Steven Wolf, M.D.

OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown, Leonard Guecia, Jr., Yolanda Williams

Guests: Kevin Burns, Sandy Bogucki, M.D., Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Joe Larcheveque, Tushar Patel, Jay MacNeal, D.O., Nina McFarlae-Johnson, M.D., Fred Rosa, John Quinlavin, Paul Rabeauf, Carin Van Gelder, M.D., Jay Walshon, M.D.

Chair: Steven Wolf, M.D.

Vice Chair: Alberto Perez, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Chair Report	New Members	Dr. Wolf opened the meeting welcoming Dr. Fischel to the Committee as he replaced Dr. Turnbull. Members briefly introduced themselves.	
	The EMS Institute Proposal – Update on Legislative Progress	Original language of HB5526 has been changed to reduce the size and alter the composition of the EMS Advisory Board. The bill directs DPH/OEMS to study the concept of a policy board and	

	EMS Advisory Board – Update by John Quinlavin	<p>report before the next session. An amendment regarding local receiving hospital oversight of EMS was also added.</p> <p>Bill 5526 – Substitute language resulted in the Board being reduced. Membership will be determined and sent to legislation. An amendment is being offered 19a-178a Sec. 2</p> <p>The Board also voted to affirm CEMSMAC regarding the Triage Guidelines.</p>	<p>Vote called on the Representation Results of the Survey – public comment period closed</p> <p>Result Vote</p> <p>Yes - 15 No - 5 Abst - 2</p> <p>Letter will go to the Commissioner. Posting of the agenda, etc., will be reviewed.</p>
EMS Regulations	Draft Version sent to DPH	Confusion on final language regarding medical direction	Yolanda to circulate the latest draft to committee for final review.
Scope of Practice	Discussion continued	The revised checklist was distributed to the group for further review and discussion. Specific items were discussed and additional changes were made.	
Selective Spine Immobilization	Material	No discussion held.	Item Tabled.

Tourniquet	Issues	Revised tourniquet curriculum was presented. Requires modification regarding improvised tourniquets and the removal of references to specific name-brand devices.	Education Standards committee will modify the curriculum as requested and resend to the chair. The final curriculum will be circulated via email for review. If no objections are received by the chair, curriculum will be approved for adoption.
Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2012 at CHA in Wallingford.	

Respectfully submitted by,
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CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
The Connecticut Hospital Association
Thursday, March 8, 2012

Minutes (Draft 2)

Member Attendees: David Cone, M.D., Robert Grant, M.D., James Parker, M.D., Steven Wolf, M.D.

OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown, Leonard Guercia, Jr., Yolanda Williams

Guests: Kevin Burns, Raffaella Coler, R. N., Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Al Gambino, Philip Heavin, Joe Larcheveque, Jay MacNeal, Fred Rosa, John Quinlavin, Paul Rabeuf, Jay Walshon, M.D.

Chairs: Steven Wolf, M.D., Alberto Perez, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of February 9, 2012.	No discussion held.	The minutes were approved as written. Motion – Passed
DPH Report	Update – Written Report Submitted	No discussion held.	
EMS Institute	Update on Legislative Progress	Language is being drafted. A conference call is scheduled for the Ad Hoc Workgroup.	
2011 Trauma Triage proposal	Vote this Meeting	Feedback from the Trauma Committee and the Committee on Trauma was received supporting the CDC 2011 trauma destination triage guidelines with the Connecticut specific changes regarding transport intervals greater or less than 20 minutes and replacing transport	Motion made by Dr. Cone to accept the revised Protocol. Dr. Grant second the motion. Vote: Yes - 5

		to highest level facility with transport to Level I or II facility. Vote called on the revised protocol.	No - 0 Abst. - 0 Motion passed.
STEMI Guideline	Issues	No discussion held.	
Scope of Practice	Update	Draft distributed. Issues with the Gap Analysis between current practice and the 2007 national scope of practice need to be addressed for the State. Review and discussion of the specific components within the schematic comparison of Scope of Practice. Mr. Brown will draft an updated comparison document based on consensus opinions that will be distributed for next meeting.	
Specialty Care Transport (SCT)	Update	Endorsement Process – ability to endorse on top of license to add on another level. There is no mechanism to make this happen. Discussions with the Commissioner ongoing.	
Other Business	DNR Update	Bill #5435 - information was added.	
Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2012 at CHA, Wallingford.	

Respectfully submitted by,
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Office of Emergency Medical Services

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
 The Connecticut Hospital Association
 Thursday, February 9, 2012

Minutes (Draft #2)

Member Attendees: David Cone, M.D., Robert Grant, M.D., Richard Kamin, M.D., James Parker, M.D., Alberto Perez, M.D., Steven Wolf, M.D.

OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown, Yolanda Williams

Guests: Sandy Bogucki, Tiffany Cattey, Peter Canning, Ryan Carter, Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Al Gambino, Philip Heavin, Joe Larcheveque, Fred Rosa, Frances Russell, John Quinlavin, Paul Rabeauf, Carin Van Gelder, M.D.

Chairs: Steven Wolf, M.D., Alberto Perez, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of January 12, 2012	No discussion held.	The minutes were approved as written. Motion – Passed
DPH Report	Update – Written Report Submitted	No discussion held.	
By Laws	Ratified Copy	A revised copy available based on the last meeting. No additional comments. The final was included in the meeting packet.	
EMS Institute	Proposal and Funding	Some discussion held. The intent is Programmatic development to support quality	Recommendation/feedback is due February 24, 2012 because of tight

		<p>initiatives at hospitals. Presently hospitals do not have the funding to support a QI program for the EMS System. This is just issue has held the system back. Another is lack of support to maintain and update the SCT program. There exist multiple potential projects/programs in EMS that presently have no funding sources.</p>	<p>legislative time-lines. Any suggestions to please send them to Dr. Wolf and John Quinlavin.</p> <p>Dr. Kamin made a motion that CEMSMAC support the EMS Institute Concept with Dedicated Funding coming from a surcharge on the moving violation fines. The Committee supports any lobbying efforts on its behalf by CCEP and CHA. Dr. Perez seconded the motion.</p> <p><u>Vote</u></p> <p>Yes - 5 No - 0 Abst - 0</p>
<p>2011 CDC Trauma Field Triage Revision</p>	<p>Proposal</p>	<p>At the last meeting the group was ok with the previous level 1 and 2 positions being equal and the 20 minute rule re destination that was included in the regs. The CDC draft and changed version were included in the meeting packet for review.</p> <p>A lengthy discussion was held.</p> <p>Some feel that it is hard to make a recommendation without clarification / confirmation for trauma levels 1 and 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Response Time (ground transport) ○ Trauma Center levels 1 and 2 and their similarity and/or differences 	

		<p>A recommendation was made that the group needs to verify that Levels 1 and 2 are similar. Suggestion was made to send to Trauma for review. John Quinlavin stated that this item is on Trauma's Agenda. The Trauma Committee is in the best position to do that.</p>	<p>Would like the Trauma Committee to define or point out the difference if any for trauma centers 1 and 2, and then CEMSMAC can make the best decision based the information provided. In addition to comment on maintaining the 20 minute rule.</p>
<p>Scope of Practice</p>	<p>Discussion continued</p>	<p>Dr. Wolf asked the group if they should endorse the AEMT Concept or not? Need to decide this first since this will influence what the committee recommends for the other levels.</p> <p>North central Region is not actively pursuing. No real support for AEMT</p> <p>Sandy Bogucki reports that there is no real interest in bringing back the level in her area.</p> <p>Region 5 reports that there is no interest, they are not in support of this.</p> <p>Dr. Turnbull's region is also not in support of and has no interest.</p> <p>It was reported that the Clinical Coordinators position voted to support the moratorium that</p>	<p>Motion made that CEMSMAC Does Not Support The Adoption of the 2007 AEMT National Scope of Practice Model in the State of Connecticut. Dr. Cone seconds the motion.</p> <p><u>Vote</u> Yes - 5 No - 0 Abst. - 0</p> <p>Dr. Wolf made a motion that CEMSMAC Supports Cessation of Courses for Initial Certification of the National Standard Curriculum-Intermediate/1985. Dr. Cone seconds the motion.</p>

		was set at the last meeting.	<u>Vote</u> Yes - 5 No - 0 Abst. - 0 Motion made that the Current Connecticut AEMT Certification as Described by the National Standard Curriculum-Intermediate/1985 Should be Phased Out By July 1, 2013. Dr. Grant seconded the motion. <u>Vote</u> Yes - 5 No - 0 Abst. - 0
Specialty Care Transport (SCT)	Update	This item was not discussed.	
Triage Tag Practice	Update	This item was not discussed.	
Other Business	Open Floor	John Quinlavin announced that a work group meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2012 at Hunter's at 12:00 noon to discuss the EMS institute bill wording . Dr. Cone mentioned that he was contacted by Mass Polst Group. They are interested in revisiting the issue in Connecticut. Informational at this time.	

		Question regarding expectation of time for STEMI. Dr. Kamin stated that there is no mandate, just guidance.	
Adjourned	The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.	The next CEMSMAC meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2012 at CHA.	

Respectfully submitted by,

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Office of Emergency Medical Services

CONNECTICUT EMS MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CEMSMAC)
 The Connecticut Hospital Association
 Thursday, January 12, 2012

Minutes (Draft #2)

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OEMS Staff: David Bailey, Kevin Brown

Guests: Kevin Burns, Raffaella Coler, R.N., Marielle Daniels, Terry DeVito, Philip Heavin, Joe Larcheveque, John Quinlavin, Paul Rabeau, Shawn Stapp

Chair: Steven Wolf, M.D.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	Reviewed the minutes of December 8, 2011.	Revise minutes to reflect Michael Werdmann as he was in attendance.	The minutes were approved with the noted correction. Motion – Passed.
DPH	Update – Written report submitted	No discussion held.	
CEMSMAC	Operations: By-Laws Draft	Raffaella Coler and Terry DeVito codified the By-Laws. The second draft has corrections. An additional change was made: Officers changing regions. It will be up to the Regional Mac to decide what happens, i.e., who will represent the region if an elected CEMSMAC officer changes regions.	Dr. Grant made a motion to approve the By-Laws as amended. Dr. Parker seconded the motion. Vote: Yes – 5 No - 0 Abst. - 0

	<p>Moving Violations Report/Programmatic Development</p>	<p>Various state agencies provided information that 160,000 – 190,000 tickets for moving violations are issued. Gross revenue is \$25 million, average violation is \$155. About ½ the tickets are adjudicated and ½ are paid. If \$10 is added, a net of \$900,000 is achieved, if \$15 is added, a net of \$1.3 million is created. This is the best estimate.</p>	<p>Next step is to look at how best to structure talks with the legislature and obtain advice on a proposal and what would have the best chance at passage. Will get back to the group with plans.</p>
<p>Trauma Guidelines</p>	<p>Discussion</p>	<p>The American College of Surgeons' version 2006 was never adopted in CT. CEMSMAC recommendation is being requested.</p> <p>Discussion held:</p> <p>Few states have adopted the 2006 guidelines verbatim. Many have altered them. In CT, the level 1 and 2 hospitals are equal in the regs. The group unofficially supported the same concept with any new guideline adoption.</p> <p>Considerstion of the 20 minute travel time as well re destination decision.</p>	<p>This item was tabled for further discussion at the next meeting.</p> <p>*Shortly after the meeting, the 2011 were issued by ACS. These will be the focus in the next meeting not the 2006 guidelines</p>

Scope of Practice	Update	<p>Kevin Brown provided an update to the group. He was asked to update the skill check list so that CEMSMAC can compare levels fully.</p> <p>Last spring, CEMSMAC approved the use Scope of Practice for the EMT and paramedic levels.</p> <p>AEMT level still needs to be decided upon, whether or not CEMSMAC recommends its existence in the state or not. Applicants will be tested at the National level, The group needs to decide what will be authorized at all levels.</p>	<p>Kevin will provide a more detailed list to be reviewed and decide at the next meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Wolf asked the group to go back to their local MACs and find out what they will do if the state adopts the National Scope of Practice. CEMSMAC can make this recommendation then it will go to the EMS Advisory Board.</p> <p>For clarification, while the new EMT curriculum is being evaluated a moratorium for the I-85 has been approved. Dr. Parker and Dr. Grant made a motion to move.</p> <p>Unanimous vote passed.</p>

	Commissioner Meetings	There have been 2 meetings. They have been more of getting to know the Commissioner and her views. Issues that came up were Trauma guideline revisions, how to go about an assessment of the EMS system, dedicated funding and general exploration of goals.	
Adjourned	The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.	The next scheduled meeting is February 9, 2012 at CHA.	

Respectfully submitted by,

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