

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday March 25, 2015 at 0900 hours
Connecticut Hospital Association
Approved on April 22, 2015

Members Attendees: R. Barishansky, L. Bolton, N. Brescia, W. Champion, R. Coler, G. Forrester, R. Guthrie, R. Kamin, J. Lillpopp, E. Masters, R. McKeon, M. Miraglia, J. Paretzky, F. Potter, J. Quinlavin, J. Reynolds, R. Rosa, W. Schietinger, I. Smith, B. Tenney, C. Tufts, C. VanGelder and R. Ziegler.

OEMS Staff: Steve Hotchkiss

Regional Coordinators: M. Connelly, J. Reynolds, J. Spencer, and Mike Rivers.

Regional Presidents: G. Allard, R. Coler, S. Gelati, and W. Schietinger.

Committee Chairs: K. McClaine, R. Kamin, (CEMSMAC), N. Brunet, (Clinical Coordinators), R. Coler (Training) D. Dole (Paramedic) and R. Ziegler, (PI&E).

Public: L. Guercia, C. Barry, M. Troy, G. Wiemokly and D. Bailey.

Board Chair: J. Quinlavin, Chair.

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Call to order at 0907 hours.

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	February 25, 2015.	Editorial change.	A motion was made by I. Smith and 2 nd by E. Masters to accept the minutes of February 25, 2015 as amended. Motion passed unanimously.
Chair's report.	Board attendance.	The Chair sent out letters to all Board members that have 50% or less attendance. B. Martin confirmed her resignation. A trauma committee contact has been approved by the Chair.	The Chair will reach out to a contact for the Trauma Committee.
	Board Annual Report.	A report has been sent to the Commissioner.	
	Mobile Communications Units.		The Chair will send out a document regarding mobile communications.
DPH report	Regional Coordinators	Introduction of two new Regional Coordinators, -John Spencer, Region 3 -Mike Rivers Region 4.	
	Regulations Bill 999	R. Barishansky answered questions from Legislators specific to Section 1 of the technical bill-this was regarding orderly transfer of patient care on scene.	
	Trauma Statute.	OEMS is looking to remove the area of the Statute that discusses the Trauma guidelines in order to facilitate regular updating when needed.	
	Updated equipment lists.	A letter will go out from OEMS no later than April 1, 2015 regarding equipment lists.	
	AEMT	A letter will go out from OEMS no later than April 1, 2015 regarding the AEMT level of care and the	

		timeline for implementation of the next steps.	
	State EMS Plan	One final look at the State EMS Plan and then a secondary review for the Board.	
	Website	R. Barishansky reminded all that the OEMS website is updated on a regular basis, sometimes more than once a day.	J. Speck will be reaching out to the various committee heads on how to submit documents.
Public comment.		None	
Presentation	Mission Lifeline	Lisa Bemen gave a 39 minute comprehensive overview of the Mission Lifeline program regarding STEMI system of care. Discussion.	Improvement in STEMI systems of care can be driven by the hospitals or driven by EMS.
Presentation	PI&E	B. Ziegler and M. Troy gave a 10 minute presentation and video of a possible type of program for information on EMS in CT.	
Action items	Legislative Committee Bill 5911	Restructuring of CEMSAB. Discussion delayed until later in the meeting.	C. Tufts thanked all those who had testified at the Legislative hearings.
	Bill 5522	Elderly Abuse	Support the addition of EMS as mandatory reporters.
	Bill 5317	Workers compensation for stress. Lengthy discussion.	The language is too broad, difficult to define and would cause a major economic impact.
	Bill 5871	Expand infectious diseases. Discussion. Support the concept with the addition of EMS but not as written.	Motion to support bill 5871 was made by J. Paretzky and 2 nd by M. Miraglia. No=4 , Campion, Potter, Rosa and Schietinger. Yes=8 , Forrester, Masters, McKeon, Miraglia, Paretzky, Quinlavin, Tufts and VanGelder. Abstentions=11 , Barishansky, Bolton, Brescia, Coler, Guthrie, Kamin, Lillpopp, Reynolds, Smith, Tenney and

			Ziegler. Motion passed.
	Bill 5907	Regarding patients with infectious diseases. Discussion regarding the now covered infectious diseases in the Ryan White Act.	Motion was made by E. Masters and 2 nd by F. Potter to support Bill 5907. No=11 , Bolton, Campion, Coler, Guthrie, Lillpopp, Miraglia, Potter, Rosa, Smith, Tufts and VanGelder. Yes=4 , Brescia, Forrester, Masters and Paretzky. Abstentions=7 , Barishansky, Kamin, McKeon, Quinlavin, Reynolds, Tenney and Ziegler. Motion defeated.
	Bill 5921	Display house numbers.	Motion was made by R. Coler and 2 nd by C. Tufts to support Bill 5921. Motion passed unanimously.
	Bill 6658	Administration of Naloxone, etc. by EMTs.	Motion to oppose Bill 6658 was made by R. Kamin and 2 nd by F. Rosa. Motion passed unanimously.
	SB253	Payment to Ambulance Service.	Motion to oppose SB253 was made by W. Campion and 2 nd by F. Rosa. Motion passed unanimously.
	SB706	Reporting of elder abuse.	Motion to support SB706 was made by F. Potter and 2 nd by R. Coler. Motion passed unanimously.
	SB800	Community based Para-medicine.	Previously supported.
	SB999	DPH technical bill Section 1 regarding orderly transfer of patient care on scene.	Motion to support SB999 was made by R. Coler and 2 nd by M. Miraglia. Motion passed with 2 no votes from Guthrie and Tenney.
	5911	Restructuring of CEMSAB.	Motion was made by C. Tufts and 2 nd

		Discussion.	by R. Coler to form and Ad-Hoc committee of the Board to examine Board membership. <u>Motion withdrawn.</u>
Suspend agenda.		Time for the room reservation ran out.	Motion to suspend the remainder of the agenda was made by F. Potter and 2 nd by M. Miraglia. Motion passed unanimously.
Adjournment	At 1138 hours,		Motion to adjourn was made by F. Potter and 2 nd by I. Smith. Motion passed unanimously.
Next meeting	April 22, 2015	At AHA at 0900 hours.	

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