Final
CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday, April 8, 2009 at 09:30 a.m.
At Connecticut Hospital Association
Approved May 13, 2009

Members Attendees:	N. Mayeda-Brescia, W. Campion, Jr., Marielle Daniels, R. Guthrie, R. Kamin, J. Reynolds, Arthur Romano, F. Rosa, W. Wright and Charlee Tufts.
OEMS Staff:	R. Kamin.
Regional Coordinators:	R. Petty and Betty Morris.
Regional Presidents:	J. Reynolds., W. Wright.
Committee Chairs:	b. Baxter (Data), R. Coler (Training), T. Russell (clinical Coordinators). .
Public:	I. Smith (Steering), C. Tenenbaum, J. Suzzi, J. Schultz (Trauma) and Bob Ziegler.
Board Chair:	John Quinlavin

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TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	March 11, 2009 meeting.	None.	A motion was made by F. Rosa to accept the minutes of March 11, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.
Chair's Report	Paramedic Committee Chair.	Jeff Borgio has been appointed as Chair.	
	EMS Conference.	Discussions are being held to plan for the Conference to be held next year in Hartford at the Conference Center or the Hartford Convention Center. A professional group is working with the conference team to pull in Hartford businesses. Groups like CCEP are being contacted to see if their annual meetings could be held jointly with the EMS conference.	
	Educational offerings.	CT Trauma Conference was well attended and the program was inclusive of EMS issues. CT Stroke Conference will be held on May 15, 2009 at the Rocky Hill Marriott. The Training Committee will have a presentation by Mr. Hatch regarding accreditation of Paramedic Programs On April 28, 2009. CHA puts on educational programs throughout the year.	Managing disruptive behavior in the workplace is one example of current programs.

DPH report.	Written report.	No comments.	
Committee Reports	CEMSMAC Written report.	Currently working on DNR and EMS response to Detention Facilities. Discussion regarding the removal of taser barbs. The New Haven area has a protocol for the removal of taser barbs by EMS personnel. C spine immobilization at the MRT level is not supported by CEMSMAC. Field Triage Guidelines from CDC are in review. Concerns have been expressed about over-triage in rural areas. Fentanyl guidelines was developed for those who choose to use it.	
	CORC	A letter of understanding was developed. $540,000 has been restored for the Regions. This is a 20% decrease in funding.	
	EMSC	Funding was granted for an EMSC Conference in October.	
	Volunteer Written report.	The committee is recommending that in the event that a student fails the EMTB testing the individual be allowed to take the MRT exam. Discussion.	
	Legislative Written report.	The Move Over Law looks as though it may pass this year.	
	Training	Work continues on EVOC under the leadership of Dan Tauber.	

	Written report. Trauma CCEP Clinical Coordinators Written report. Data Written report.	There were 460 attendees at the Trauma Conference. An educational conference will be held on April 26-28 at MGM Grand/Foxwoods. IFT. The administration of the program should be developed by each hospital. There are too many differences between the hospitals. Discussion regarding leaving PCRs at the receiving facility. B. Baxter reviewed the committee's report. Continued discussion regarding the timely completion and submission of PCRs including the need for Stroke, Cardiac and Trauma Centers having the documentation immediately available.	
New Business	EMS week in May	Planning will be done to have a presentation. W. Wright and W. Campion will help work on this.	
Transfer of patients with hospital based infections.	W. Wright discusses.	The Connecticut Law Review published an article and asked for comments on a Dept. of Social Services document stating that ambulance transfers of these patients will not be paid for. Discussion followed.	
Adjournment	At 1110 hours.		Motion to adjourn was made by F. Rosa. Passed unanimously.
Next meeting	**May 13, 2009**	**At 0930 hours at CHA.**	

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