CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 09:30 a.m.
At Connecticut Hospital Association
Accepted October 14, 2009

Members Attendees:	J. Best, W. Campion, Marielle Daniels, R. Guthrie, R. Kamin, J. Lillpopp, B. Martin, E. Masters, R. McKeon, J. Paretzky, J. Reynolds, and F. Rosa.
OEMS Staff:	R. Kamin, G. Wiemokly, K. Brown and W. Wheeler.
Regional Coordinators:	R. Petty, Betty Morris.
Regional Presidents:	S. Gelati, T. Murphy.
Committee Chairs:	R. Coler (Training), J. Soto (Communications), T. Russell (Clinical Coordinators).
Public:	I. Smith (Steering), Terry Shook, Bob Ziegler, D. Clemente, and A. Kepler.
Board Chair:	John Quinlavin.

Requests for written reports may be made to Yolanda Williams at OEMS. Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes	June 10, 2009 meeting.	None.	A motion was made by S. Gelati and 2nd by R. McKeon to accept the minutes of June 10, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.
Chair's Report	Guidelines to the Commissioner for approval.	1. DNR 2. Response to Detention Centers. If adopted, the Commissioner will be requested to assist in the dissemination of these guidelines.	
	Board meeting time.	Discussion regarding starting the meetings at 0900 hours.	Agreement to have all Board meetings start at 0900 hours.
	EMS/Lifestar funding.	The Legislature has passed the state funding bill. It is unknown if the Governor will sign the bill. The bill has a 20% decrease in funding for the Regional Councils. CORC will revise the timelines for regional reorganization.	CORC will be notified that the Board fought for keeping the funding cuts to Regions to only 20% and that changes need to be made to the Councils.
	Introductions.	Introductions around the room.	
	EMS Awards.	Work is progressing to develop a nomination form that is easy in order to encourage individuals to nominate deserving EMS professionals.	N. Mayeda-Brescia is asked to report to the Board at the next meeting.
	State EMS Protocols.	A draft of revised EMS protocols will be	

		given to CEMSMAC next month and will be sent to the Board in November.	
	Ambulance equipment lists.	There will be a change this year removing the lengthy equipment lists from Regulation and replacing the language to state that ambulance equipment will be determined by the Commissioner with input from the Board.	
	EPCR.	The Chair is working with DPH to provide a small sample report of EMS Data to the Board. The Data will be rough but will provide a small view of what the progress has been.	
	Regulations Review.	A draft document was sent out by Email. Discussion regarding the process for review of the document. Any suggested changes must be put in very specific writing before going to DPH for review. Any changes must be processed through the legal side of EMS. One word may have implications not obvious to the submitting individual.	Brackets around words signify they are deleted. Underlined sections indicate new language. Suggestions for changes to the Draft Regulations should be put in writing and submitted to the Chair.
DPH Report Written report submitted.	Implementation of the three year cycle for recertification of EMS providers. H1N1 flu.	The process for changing to a three year cycle is to be worked out. Discussion followed. Conference on 9.10.09 will be held on the subject. DPH is working with CHA on a Prolonged	

	National Registry visit.	Health Care Emergency plan. A routine three year visit is scheduled for October 14, 2009.	
Committee Reports	CMESMAC	Have not met over the summer.	
	Trauma. Written report submitted.	Will meet 9.17.09 at 2PM at CHA. Representatives from the Volunteer and Paramedic Committees have a seat on the Trauma Committee.	
	CORC	Will be meeting soon per B. Morris.	
	EMSC R. Kamin statement.	The annual pediatric conference will be delayed this year. Work is in progress with Hartford Hospital to present a program. 216 Jump Kits will go to all services except those who do not transfer children. A PEPP program will be held at Rocky Hill. A special health care needs program will be put on by five staff members to assist parents and care givers. James Parker, EDMD from CCMC is willing to be a resource and assist anyone regarding pediatric issues.	Kits to first responders and police will not have oxygen tanks or regulators because they are too large for the vehicles to store.
	Volunteer Committee Written report submitted.	Meetings will be held in Scotland tomorrow and November in North Branford.	
	Legislative.	To look at a Study of EMS in Ct.	
	Communications.	There will be a mandated change over to narrow band implemented on 1.1.13. This may require new equipment for many services.	

		Discussion followed.	
	Paramedic.	Committee meets next week.	
	Clinical Coordinators. Written report submitted.	The committee will meet tomorrow and will establish goals for the year. Discussion regarding companies offering to donate equipment like "Glidescope".	
	Data	Discussion regarding the possibility of interim reports when crews are called out.	
New items.	Membership.	The Chair reviewed the current membership list.	
Adjournment.	Next meeting is Wednesday October 14, 2009 at **0900 hours** at Hunters Ambulance.		Motion to adjourn by F. Rosa and 2nd by R. McKeon. Motion passed unanimously.

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