CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD
Wednesday, November 11, 2009 at 09:00 a.m.
At Connecticut Hospital Association
Approved January 13, 2010

Members Attendees:	N. Mayeda-Brescia, W. Campion, R. Daggett, Marielle Daniels, J. Fratus, R. Guthrie, R. Kamin, J. Lillpopp, E. Masters, R. McKeon, C. Motes, J. Paretzky, J. Reynolds, A. Romano, B. Tenney, C. Tufts, and S. Wolf,
OEMS Staff:	R. Kamin.
Regional Coordinators:	
Regional Presidents:	T. Murphy and J. Reynolds.
Committee Chairs:	T. Russell (Clinical Coordinators), I. Smith (Steering), J. Soto (Communications).
Public:	K. Robinson, L. Bolton, Terry Shook, and Bob Ziegler.
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	October 14, 2009 meeting.	No changes.	A motion was made by J. Paretzky and 2nd by T. Murphy to accept the minutes of October 14, 2009. Motion passed unanimously.
Chair's Report	Membership update.	The Chair discussed Board membership with the DPH Legislative representative. A review of designated groups as in regulation was discussed as well as the process of review being done now.	
	Handcuffed patients.	Discussion regarding the care of handcuffed patients. In the event that a patient is handcuffed by law enforcement the officer must ride in the back of the vehicle with the patient.	It is a violation of Regulation for EMS to be in possession of handcuffs. L. Guercia will be requested by R. Kamin to send a letter from DPH to services regarding this issue.
	CT EMS Study.	The request for an EMS Study continues to be an issue for the Board.	
	CT EMS Conference.	Discussion.	Will be held on March 19 and 20, 1010.
	Masking of patients with flu like symptoms.	Patients should be masked.	A hand out on PPE was distributed.
DPH Report	Written report submitted. Tactical Medical Training	R. Kamin presented background information on Tactical Medical Training. This program is used SWAT teams, etc. to provide care	DPH does not have tactical Medical Standards.

		until EMS arrives. Discussion followed including the suggestion that the Board take a proactive role developing relationships with Police, Regions and Health Departments regarding Tactical Medical Groups.	
	Flu vaccine for EMS personnel.	The Chair worked With C. Motes, representing local health departments, and DPH to assure that EMS personnel get H1H1 vaccine.	
	New Recertification for EMS Providers.	Hold this topic for next month.	
Action items.	Nominating Committee Report. Written repot submitted.	Nominations open to the floor. None were presented. The Nominating Committee presents the following late of candidates: Chairman: John Quinlavin Vice Chairman: Charlee Tufts Secretary: Irene Smith It is understood that the nomination of the Chair is a recommendation to be made to the Commissioner.	A motion to close nominations was made by J. Paretzky and 2nd by T. Murphy to close nominations. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made to accept the report of the Nominating Committee was made by S. Wolf and 2nd by W. Campion. Motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by J. Paretzky and 2nd by S. Wolf to have the Secretary send a letter on behalf of the Board to the Commissioner to recommend reappointment

			of John Quinlavin as Chair of the Board. Motion passed unanimously.
Air Medical Regulations.	Proposal draft dated November 9, 2009 presented by Dr. K. Robinson of Lifestar. Hand out presented.	Dr. Robinson presented the proposal and asked for comments. The proposal reflects regulations from around the country. Suggestions were given from Board members. Comments may be sent to Dr. Robinson by Email krobinson@harthosp.org	The proposal will be referred to Board committees including Trauma. CEMSMAC will take the lead on the review of the proposal.
Regulations Review	Regulations Review Process hand out was presented.	Discussion. A list of the Regulations Review Committee members will be sent out for services and providers to reflect the broad representation that went into the development of the proposed regulatory changes.	December meeting, final reports from all Board Committees. Discussions at January and February Board meetings. Vote in January or February.
Committee Reports	CEMSMAC SCT New Haven Sponsor Hospital Mandate regarding Certification.	A final draft of Specialty Care Transports will be presented at the December Board meeting. Funding has been found for slides for the education portion of the guidelines. NHSH has mandated that EMS personnel under their medical control must have successfully completed National Registry Evaluation.	Comments from Ambulance providers is being drafted per W. Campion. This is a local issue that does not effect others statewide.
	Training Hand out of minutes from June September and October.	There will be a compellation of comments regarding regulatory proposals for EMS Training for the December Board meeting. Members were very vocal in discussing the new EMS testing procedures and the change process. The Board is concerned with the lack of due	

		notice to those affected, the potential impact on the EMS System- particularly our municipalities and first responders-and the missed opportunity to solicit input and collaboration from the Board and this DPH directive. Regarding EVOC, the Committee voted to recommend component training for anyone who operates an ambulance.	
	EMS nominations for awards.	Discussion regarding the EMS Conference and the Awards. A nomination form was passed around for comment. It was suggested that applications and information on the awards be sent out to services.	
	Trauma	No report.	
	CORC	Greg Allard is the new president of the group.	A document will be presented to DPH next week regarding the Regional contracts.
	Volunteer Written report and agenda submitted.	The nest meeting is on November 12, 2009 in North Branford.	
	EMSC Written report submitted		EMSC conference will be on January 16, 2010 with pre conference programs on the 15th and 16th.
	Legislative	EMS Examining board, Review of the EMS System and patient care responsibility are primary issues for this session.	
	Planning	The EMS Plan was reviewed and needs updating. The Plan is the benchmark for the	

		Regional Council contracts.	
	Communications	The committee is developing a plan with templates to assist Municipalities, Councils and regional CMEDs regarding narrow banding.	
	MCI	No report.	
	Paramedic	No report.	
	Clinical Coordinators Written report submitted	No comments.	
	Data	Work is in progress with the Trauma Committee data. J. Paretzky questioned why we have not received a preliminary report on data requested from DPH.	
New business	R. McKeon	R. McKeon reported that the DOJ Public Safety Officer's Death Benefit was reduced from$ 315,000 to $ 311,000 as of October 1, 2009.	
Adjournment	1140 hours		Motion to adjourn by J. Lillpopp and 2nd by C. tufts. Motion passed unanimously.
Next meeting	**December 9, 2009 at 0900 hours at CHA**		

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