

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD  
Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 0900 hours  
At the Connecticut Hospital Association  
Accepted February 20, 2013

Members Attendees: R. Barishansky, J. Best, L. Bolton, N. Mayeda-Brescia, W. Champion, R. Daggert, M. Daniels, T. DeVito, G. Forrester, R. Kamin, Lillpopp, E. Masters, R. McKeon, M. Miraglia, C. Motes, J. Paretzky, J. Reynolds, A. Romano, I. Smith and C. Tufts.

OEMS Staff: Suzanne Karrenberg.

Regional Coordinators: M. Connelly, J. Reynolds, D. Bailey, J. Lillpopp, and J. Speck.

Regional Presidents: G. Allard, B. Schietinger, S. Gelati, T. DeVito.

Committee Chairs: R. Coler (Training), A. Gambino (Clinical Coordinators).

Public: Art Groux, L. Guercia, D. Dole.

Board Chair: C. Tufts, Vice Chair.

Requests for written reports may be made to Yolanda Williams at OEMS. [Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov](mailto:Yolanda.Williams@ct.gov)

Call to order at 0915 hours.

A moment of silence in honor of and remembrance of the tragedy in Newtown.

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Minutes	December 12, 2013.	No discussion.	A <u>motion</u> was made by I. Smith and 2 <sup>nd</sup> by R. McKeon to accept the minutes of December 12, 2012 with the addition of C. Motes in attendance. Motion passed unanimously.
Chair's report	Gavin Forrester Bill Schietinger	Has accepted the Chair of the Volunteer Committee. Has accepted the Chair of the Emergency Preparedness Committee.	Thanks to J. Paretzky for his many years of work as Chair.
DPH report	Thanks.	R. Barishansky thanked the entire state EMS System for their actions regarding Newtown/Sandy Hook tragedy.	
	NHTSA evaluation.	Moving forward with preparations for a NHTSA evaluation. 12 lead EKG and tourniquets are with the Commissioner for approval.	There is a hold on NHTSA due to questions of their funding.
	Regulations	Regulations are in review to assure compliance.	
Newtown tragedy		Discussion of this paradigm changing moment of tragedy. The CISD team was complimented for their rapid, professional response. Emergency rates. J. Best discussed reimbursements regarding EMAC and FEMA rates.	The governor has appointed a 14 member Commission to review the event.

Committee reports	CEMSMAC	The Committee approved Scope of Practice issues.	
	Trauma. Minutes submitted.	No comments.	
	CORC	Emails have been sent out regarding EMS awards.	
	EMSC	The Pediatric readiness project, a nationwide assessment of readiness in caring for children, is moving forward.	
	Volunteer.	The next meeting will be held at the State Police Academy in Meriden.	
	Legislative. Report submitted.	<p>J. Lillpopp reviewed several of the issues outlined in the report.</p> <p>Peer review. DPH has knowledgeable people as consultants to address any issues. The current process will be reviewed in 6 months.</p> <p>J. Paretzky suggested that there is a need to review meeting attendance and the current standard.</p> <p>R. McKeon stated that the last day for Bill submission to the legislature is January 18.</p>	J. Lillpopp discussed the proposed legislative initiative regarding Board membership and read the proposed language.
	Communications	Narrowbanding is completed.	
	Emergency preparedness.	A few people have expressed in joining the committee.	

	Training	R. Coler and T. DeVito have been endorsed by the Committee to continue as Chair and Vice Chair. CPAP is done. In order for a Paramedic student to take the final exam in CT they must be from an accredited program.	The two accredited programs in CT are Capital Community College and Yale Sponsor Hospital.
	Planning	C. Tufts will meet with R. Barishansky to review the current 5 year plan.	
	Data.	Moving forward with Digital Innovations. There are about 9 services non-compliant with data collection.	
	Clinical Coordinators	No report.	
Information sharing.	National EMS week,	May 2013.	
	Congressional EMS Dinner and Conference	May 8, 9, 2013.	
	Obama care.	A suggestion was made that a special task force be formed to assess how it will effect EMS.	
C. Tufts	EMS Chief's Assoc.	Has been formed.	
J. Lillpopp	Eastern Region.	Breakfast will be held Saturday January 12, 2013 in Franklin. R. Holdsworth will discuss the effects of Obama Care on EMS.	
R. McKeon	HB4310	EMS has been included in benefits under PSOB.	An individual must have a beneficiary appointed in order to have the beneficiary benefit from this act.
Adjournment	At 1045		A motion was made by C. Motes to end the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
Next Meeting	February 13, 2013 at 0900		

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