

CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD  
Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 0900 hours  
At Ambulance Service of Manchester  
Accepted on July 10, 2013

Members Attendees: R. Barishansky, L. Bolton, R. Daggett, R. Guthrie, R. Kamin, R. McKeon, M. Miraglia, C. Motes, J. Paretzky, J. Reynolds, A. Romano, W. Schietinger, I. Smith, B. Tenney, C. Tufts, C. VanGelder, and R. Ziegler.

OEMS Staff: W. Furniss, S. Karrenberg (EMSC).

Regional Coordinators: D. Bailey, M. Connelly, J. Reynolds.

Regional Presidents: G. Allard, B. Schietinger.

Committee Chairs: D. Dole (Paramedic), J. Soto, (Communications), R. Coler (Training), R. Ziegler (PI&E).

Public: P. Canning and J. Santacroce.

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 0910 hours.

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Minutes	May 8, 2013.	No discussion.	A <u>motion</u> was made by I. Smith and 2 <sup>nd</sup> by C. Motes to accept the minutes of March 13, 2013. Motion passed unanimously.
Chair's report	EMS presentations.	Presentations of the EMS awards were made at the Legislative Office Building during EMS week.	Congratulations were expressed to CORC and PI&E for excellence in handling the presentations and the EMS Day proceedings.
	Board appointment	William Schietinger has been appointed by the Governor.	
	Bill 6518	The Chair will defer to the DPH report.	
DPH report.	EMS Week		Thanks to all involved.
	NHTSA	The NHTSA statewide review team will be in CT July 30/31, 2013. The schedule for this evaluation is nearly completed and an agenda will be distributed to Advisory Board members.	
	Legislative, Bill 6518, Amended Bill dated 5.29.13	The bill that was 6518 has become a Legislatively requested Task Force that is specific to the PSAs. The Governor has not signed the Bill to date. Legislators may appoint members to the Task force.	Nominations for the Task Force may be presented from the Board members to John Quinlavin.
		C. VanGelder reported that CCEP looking at the legislative process in general and will be developing a legislative agenda.	Submit issues to C. VanGelder.
		In the future the Legislative Committee and CORC will meet on the same days to assist in	

		coordination of legislative communications and education of legislators.	
	BLS/ALS Guidelines	In discussion in CEMSMAC	
	Ambulance equipment	The list has been updated by OEMS and will go to CEMSMAC for comment.	Once the list is published there will be one year to comply.
	AEMT	The Commissioner does not have the ability to make changes for CT via the protocol process. Discussion. Training should continue to the AEMT level. Clinical opportunities for this program are limited.	Legislation is needed to appeal the AEMT from the statute.
	Website	The website is being updated on a very regular basis. It is an effective way for OEMS to communicate to the EMS community.	Thanks to OEMS staff from R. Barishansky.
Public comment.		None.	
Action items	CPAP	All issues raised from the Paramedic Committee opposing the motion were discussed at length.  Multiple comments in support of the motion were expressed.	Motion was made by A. Romano and 2 <sup>nd</sup> by C. Motes to accept the Connecticut Continuous Positive Pressure (CPAP) Adult Guideline and Competencies for State EMT CPAP Scope of Practice Expansion as approved by CEMSMAC and forwarded by the Training Committee. Motion passed unanimously.
Committee reports	CEMSMAC Meeting minutes submitted.	Work in progress on SSI, the equipment list, Committee By-laws, statewide EMS Guidelines and MOLST/end of life. Discussion.	Refer to national MOLST website.
	Trauma	No report.	

	CORC	No report.	
	EMSC	Recently distributed equipment and child transport seats to state disaster trailers. There will be an EMSC program in Washington in September 2013. In Oct./Nov. there will be a reassessment of EMSC in CT. Included in the evaluation will be performance measures, on line and off line medical direction and pediatric equipment/	All services in CT have policies in place.
	Volunteer Meeting minutes submitted.	No comments.	
	Legislative	Discussed above.	
	Communications	Jeff Merwin and J. Soto will be representatives at a National Conference.  Discussions regarding consolidation are being held. Three services must be combined to receive funding.	Field Ops. Guidelines have gone to the printer.
	Emergency Preparedness	No report.	
	Planning	Working on updating the EMS Plan.	
	Paramedic Written report submitted.	Discussion on Community Para medicine.	
	Clinical coordinators	No report.	
	Data	There have been 4 months of submission to NEMSIS.	Continue to seek a Chair for the Committee.
	By-laws	Have not met.	
	PI&E	EMS does not get recognition in the news. Awardees for year 2013 are on the website. Discussion.	
Additional	PSOB, R. McKeon	A National Legislative benefit of \$328,750.07	Place on legislative agenda.

comments.		for on duty deaths benefits all but for-profit entities.	
	Membership	OEMS will assist in identifying and action upon members with little or no attendance at meetings.	
	Committee Chairs	Assure that they are on the board Email list.	
Board meetings	July and August	Keep meetings.	
Adjournment	1055 hours		Motion to adjourn by C. Motes and 2 <sup>nd</sup> by M. Miraglia. Motion passed unanimously.
Next meeting	<b><u>July10, 2013 at 0900 hours</u></b>	Place to be announced.	

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