

**CT EMS Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2015 9am
Hunter's Ambulance, Meriden**

Attendance: L. Bolton, N. Mayeda-Brescia, W. Campion, J. Best, G. Daggett, M. Daniels, R. Guthrie, J. Lillpopp, M. Miraglia, C. Motes, F. Potter, W. Rochette, A. Romano, F. Rosa, B. Tenney, C. Tufts, M. Zanker, C. Centrella.

Board Chair: J. Quinlavin

Committee Chairs: D. Dole (Paramedic), N. Brunet (Clinical Coordinators), R. Coler (Training), G. Shea (Trauma), B. Ackley (Emergency Preparedness), J. Soto (Communications), J. Paretzky (Volunteer), R. Ziegler (Public Information & Engagement), P. Yeno (Data).

OEMS Staff: Wendy Furniss Regional Coordinators: M. Connelly, J. Reynolds, M. Rivers, J. Speck. Public: D. Bunnell

TOPIC	SPEAKER	DISCUSSION	ACTION/OUTCOMES
Meeting Call to Order: 09:10	J. Quinlavin	Introductions of new and seated members. C. Tufts reports that Chris Gentile is on hospice in Florida	See hand out C. Gentile contact information.
Prior Minutes Approval	N. Brescia	9/30/15 minutes reviewed. Correction under Regulations: Counsel. EMS Plan Review: Add any comments to be forwarded by November 18 th . Motion to accept minutes as corrected by F. Potter; 2 nd by G. Allard.	Minutes approved
Chair's Report	Trauma Committee Chair	From Commissioner Mullen, Dr. Gregg appointed as chair of Trauma Committee effective October 7, 2015.	Dr. Gregg, Chair of Trauma Committee.
	Stroke Task Force	Dr. Kamin, Mr. Quinlavin, Ms.	Stroke Task Force continuing

	<p>MIH DSS/DPH</p> <p>Elections</p> <p>CT Police Chief’s Association</p>	<p>Furniss—John sent minutes—expect to report out Mid-January:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Looking at feasibility of Statewide Stroke Assessment Tool; vast majority using Cincinnati, some Los Angeles. 2. Collection of data and interpreting this. 3. Categorization of hospitals (3 levels of Stroke Hospitals), ?field triage guidelines; exploring proper hospital use, statutory language. 4. Quality Review process. <p>Kate McEvoy from DSS is spearheading MIH project. Preliminary discussions on how to proceed and next meeting to be determined. Wendy Furniss shared the report out date of February.</p> <p>B. Champion will report under Nominating. Discussed the fact that the Advisory Board is a public meeting and thus, no closed ballot for election.</p> <p>J. Quinlavin reports still hopeful to get an appointment</p>	<p>to promote best practices in developing optimal State Plan.</p> <p>? Report out date of February.</p> <p>See nominating report. No closed ballot for upcoming election.</p>
<p>DPH Report</p>	<p>Regulations</p>	<p>W. Furniss, reports that increase of 12.5% EMS rate as of November 1st; incorporates re-adjustment as well as small rate increase.</p> <p>CCR-Review in CEMSMAC.</p> <p>EMS 5 year plan out—p. 8 some confusion—refers to a model plan that would have 2 EMTs, instead of 1 EMT and 1 EMR in statues. EMS plan discussion.</p>	

	<p>Brunet</p> <p>Communications and Interoperability: Soto</p> <p>CORC: Allard</p> <p>Data and QI: Yeno</p> <p>Emergency Preparedness: Ackley</p> <p>Legislative: Tufts</p>	<p>Did not meet</p> <p>No meeting last month. New website up; take a look and comment; any images from services, let regional coordinators know.</p> <p>Meeting 11/10/15 12-1:30pm at Champion Ambulance for next meeting.</p> <p>No meeting 10/2015. Continuing to work on Statewide plan with appropriate community levels: Level 3—foundational knowledge but no specialized equipment; Level 2—work with police and public safety, cold zone work; Level 1—Tactical PPE to work in warm zone, hemorrhage control, etc. Discussion on next meeting times/days. Statewide triage tag system discussion—lack of funding. Discussion on public health preparedness—MCI trailers—all ALS removed, oxygen replaced—trying to standardize them and looking into update of resource list for MCI trailers.</p> <p>C. Tufts reports Susan Keene (Senior Administrator to Appropriations) will do presentation at November Advisory Board Meeting. State website has tools to use and will be reviewed with all at some point.</p>	<p>Send any service images to regional coordinators.</p> <p>Next meeting 11/10/15 at Champion Ambulance.</p> <p>Next meeting at NBEMS Headquarters at 09:30 on 11/12/15. 4/2016-plan to teach pediatric disaster response at NBEMS (4/12 and 4/13), also in Trumbull (4/14 and 4/15), and also offer at EMS Expo.</p> <p>Update MCI trailer resource list Standardize MCI trailer equipment</p> <p>Meeting today.</p>
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	<p>Mobile Integrated Health: Bailey</p> <p>Nominating and Membership: Campion</p> <p>Paramedic: Dole</p>	<p>R. Coler reports no update.</p> <p>Vote is next month. B. Campion presented the following candidates and gave a brief overview:</p> <p>Chairman: Gregory Allard; VP x23 American Ambulance and chair of CORC, paramedic, president region 4 last 6 years, VP CT Amb. Assoc. providers.</p> <p>Vice-Chair: William Schietinger; general manager for AMR Fairfield County, President Region 1, President EMS Expo committee, Former chair of emergency preparedness</p> <p>Secretary: Irene Smith; past EMS Coordinator at Manchester Hospital and current Secretary. Motion made by B. Campion to accept his report; 2nd by C. Tufts; motion carried. B. Campion also motioned to extend outgoing recognition to outgoing board members—John was recognized as efficient, getting information out timely.</p> <p>No meeting in October.</p>	<p>Voting at November meeting.</p> <p>Open vote, no written ballots.</p> <p>Next meeting 11/11/15.</p>
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New Business	C. Tufts	Medicaid rate reimbursement having tough time. Calls to DSS—get different answers.	

	R. Coler	North Central Region—going to send letter on EMSI courses to State—how do we approve them?	
Adjournment	J. Quinlavin	Motion to adjourn by G. Allard, 2 nd by F. Potter; passed.	Adjourned at 11:25
Next Meeting	J. Quinlavin	Next meeting is a voting meeting.	Next meeting November 18 th at 09:00 Respectfully submitted, Nancy Mayeda-Brescia, CT ENA Rep: rydersrehab@aol.com