

**EMS for Children Advisory Committee  
Professional Development Center  
State Police Academy  
Institute, WV**

**Meeting Minutes  
August 12, 2010**

Members in Attendance	Members Absent	Guests Present
Cindy Cramer Robert Dozier Teresa Evans Daniel Foster Vicki L. Hildreth Debbie Kyle (via conference call) Jerry Kyle Alisha Samples John Thomas Deron Wilkes	Jeff Bowles Penny Byrnside Leisel Caten Alysha Crawford (Alternate) Paula Fields J. Mike Hartzog Amy Johnson-Veazey Nimish Mehta Kenneth McCord Jerry Rhodes Elizabeth Scharman Karen Scheuch Heidi Staats	Dave Cook Drema Mace Rachel Moses

**I. Welcome(Vicki Hildreth)**

Vicki Hildreth called to order the regular meeting of the EMS for Children Advisory Committee at 10:25 a.m.

**II. Approval of Minutes (Vicki Hildreth)**

Daniel Foster made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2010 meeting as presented. Teresa Evans seconded. Motion carried.

**III. General Updates (WVOEMS) (Jerry Kyle)**

Jerry gave an update on the EMS Legislative Rule rewrite. OEMS received over 100 written public comments; of those, OEMS accommodated over fifty percent. The revised EMS rules will go before the Legislature during the spring session.

OEMS is currently working to hire the Workforce Section Chief and to upgrade positions within the Regulatory section.

Drema Mace, Administrative Director for STEMS since May 17<sup>th</sup>, gave the Committee an overview of OEMS structure and explained the evolution of the State Trauma and Emergency Care System to the State Trauma and Emergency Medical System. She introduced the new Medical Director, Dr. Lee Smith, and gave an overview of his position.

#### **IV. EMSC Program Updates (Vicki Hildreth)**

Vicki received over \$200,000 from the Office of Maternal and Child Health to purchase Pedi-Mate Restraints for all licensed ambulances and aircrafts across the state.

NEDARC is currently working on putting together a survey to send to agencies regarding PM 73 – Ambulance Equipment and Supplies.

The 2010 State Fair will focus on ATV Safety and the Hug-a-Tree program. DOH helped fund and covered the cost of lodging and tickets.

Hug-a-Tree is funded by National Association of Search and Rescue (NASAR) and teaches children fundamental survival skills when lost in the woods. The Committee was shown the materials that will be given out at the fair, which include a large orange trash bag, and a whistle with a light. Mirrors will also be given out, but had not arrived to show the Committee.

Andy the Ambulance is in the process of being ordered. The design is currently being laid out and the colors will be blue and gold. Educational materials will accompany Andy the Ambulance.

Vicki is looking to purchase CPAPs with funding help from Office of Maternal and Child Health to be distributed to each agency.

Bob Dozier reported that all agencies are reporting electronically and went over data handouts.

#### **V. School Nurse Emergency Care Curriculum (Teresa Evans)**

Teresa Evans gave an overview of the School Nurse Emergency Care program, which was developed in Connecticut and teaches school nurses how to handle emergency situations. It is a three day course held over the summer with a workshop taught by emergency room and school nurses. It provides 22 contact hours upon completion. Skills lab include trauma, orthopedic, and disaster preparedness. Vicki will talk with the Office of Maternal and Child Health to see if they can help fund this course.

**VI. Committees Updates**

Vicki reported that at the last ARK meeting held May 18, 2010, Committee members developed hospital criteria. Work on the education portion will begin after the State Fair ends.

Jonathan Sapp has started the EMS for Children portion of the OEMS website, and has posted the bylaws, EMSC Advisory Committee members, minutes from past meetings, future and past events with a photo gallery.

A committee is still needed for the Children with Special Health Care Needs Protocols. Heidi Staats, who replaces Cathy Capps-Amburgey on the Committee, has volunteered to serve on this committee.

**VII. Child Passenger Safety Course**

Dave Cook from Governor's Safety Highway went over the course content and distributed educational material. He reported that \$100,000.00 worth of child safety seats will be distributed to needy families across the state. The child safety seat emergency identification sticker will be posted on the webpage.

**VIII. Wrap-Up**

The next EMSC Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Professional Development center, Institute, WV.

**IX. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.