



EMS for Children Advisory Committee

Days Hotel and Conference Center
 Meeting Minutes
 March 19, 2014

CORE Members Present	CORE Members Absent	Attended
Nurse with Emergency Pediatric Experience	▪ Marty Hurley, RN, Co-Chair	No
Physician with pediatric training (e.g. pediatrician or pediatric surgeon)	* Melvin Wright, DO	No
Emergency physician (a physician who primarily practices in the emergency department; does not have to be a board-certified emergency physician)	▪ Nimish Mehta, M.D.	No
Emergency Medical Technician (EMT/Paramedic who is currently a practicing, ground level pre-hospital provider (i.e., must be currently licensed and riding in a patient care unit such as an ambulance or fire truck)	▪ Karen Scheuch, Chair	No
EMS State agency representative (e.g., EMS medical director, EMS administrator)	▪ Michael Mills, M.D.	No
EMSC Principal Investigator	▪ Beth Jackson	Yes
EMSC Grant Manager	▪ Vicki L. Hildreth,	Yes
Family Representative	▪ Todd Rundle, Secretary	Yes

HRSA RECOMMENDED Members		Attended
Hospital Association Representative	♦ Samantha Stamper	No
State Trauma Manager	♦ Vacant	N/A
EMS Training Manager	♦ John Thomas	No
Tribal EMS Representative	♦ N/A	N/A
Data Manager	♦ Robert Dozier	Yes
School Nurse	♦ Teresa Evans	No
Ambulance Association Representative	♦ Vacant	N/A
Child death review representative	♦ Trish McCay	Yes
Fire-based EMS representative	♦ Alisha Samples	No

Police representative	♦ Sgt. David Nelson	No
Bioterrorism representative	♦ Vacant	N/A
Disaster preparedness representative	♦ Vacant	N/A
Parent teacher association representative	♦ Vacant	N/A
Recipient of MCH block grant for CSHCN	♦ Mekell Golden	Yes
Highway Representative	♦ Cindy Cramer/Chris Kinsey	No

Guests		
EMS Field Provider	Mike Cunningham, EMT-P	No
Injury Prevention Program	Michelle O'Bryan	Yes
State Fire Marshall's Office	Timothy Provaznik	Yes
EMS Advisory Council	Stephen McIntire	Yes
WVEMSTSN	James Donathon	Yes
WVEMSTSN	Rocki Loudon	Yes
WVEMSTSN	Gail Dragoo	Yes
WVEMSTSN	Nancy Price	Yes
ASPEN – Prevent Suicide WV	Barri Faucett	Yes
WVOEMS	Kathy Honeycutt	Yes
WV Poison Center	Elizabeth Scharman	Yes

Welcome (Todd Rundle)

Todd Rundle, Secretary, acted as Chair in Karen Scheuch's absence. The meeting was called to order. There was an introduction of all members present and additional participants. A copy of the December 2014 meeting minutes were reviewed by all present. Beth Jackson made a motion to accept the minutes as written with a second by Vicki Hildreth. All was in favor and the motion carried.

Pediatric Symposium (Dr. Kappel via conference call)

Dr. Kappel discussed the Pediatric symposium. EMSC funds were utilized to conduct the February 16, 2014 Symposium. Approximately 50 individuals statewide participated. Both hospital and EMS personnel were invited to participate. It was a one day conference to discuss various communication disorders. The conference was well received and evaluations were excellent. Interest has been expressed to conduct this again in the future if funding permits.

Office of Emergency Medical Services Update (Beth Jackson)

The report was given by Beth Jackson in the absence of Melissa Kinnaird. The report is as follows:

Melissa Kinnaird has been appointed as the Interim WV OEMS Director effective March 1, 2014. This appointment will be a minimum of 120 days. She is working on new and innovative direction within the Office of Emergency Medical Services.

Vicki Hildreth and Beth Jackson both attended the National Association of State Emergency Medical State Officials (NASEMSO) meeting in Orlando, FL in February. Vicki Hildreth served on the Pediatric Emergency Care Council and Beth attended the Trauma Program Managers portion.

EMSC Updates (Vicki Hildreth)

BLS/ALS Skillset DVD

The DVD has received both WVOEMS and WVDHHR approval. The production company is in the process of printing 300 copies of the DVD. The DVDs will be distributed to EMS Agency Squad Training Officers, RESA, and WVEMSTSN. The DVD segments will also be placed on the EMSC webpage.

EMSC Grant FY 2014-2015

The EMSC Program has received the NGA for FY 2014-2014 for \$130,000. This is the fifth successful grant award for the Program.

HRSA Updates

The only HRSA update is a change in the financial officer at the federal level. Linda Kittrell has replaced Mickey Reynolds as West Virginia's representative.

Educational Materials

A number of educational materials have been purchased and will be distributed to both hospitals and EMS provider agencies. Wong-Baker pain scales in bookmark size have been purchased to place in each ambulance. Large Wong-Baker pain scales have been purchased for hospitals to place in emergency departments. These pain scales will assist EMS providers and hospital personnel in communicating the level of pain a child is experiencing.

National EMSC Day

EMSC will be participating in a safety event on May 22, 2014 at Pleasant Hill Elementary School in Grantsville, WV. EMSC will be presenting Hug-a-tree to approximately 250 children. If anyone would like to participate, please let Vicki Hildreth know.

EMS Advisory Council Update (Steve McIntire)

Steve McIntire discussed the bill that went before the Legislature. He feels as though the general consensus is that there needs to be consistency of rules and regulations, protocols, recertification, etc. Even though the Bill did not pass, he felt as though we need to look at the future and what we can do to change the situation.

Steve discussed issues regarding pediatrics such as the test for recertification does not include pediatric questions. He feels as though we should be tested on what we require and are taught, such as PEPP and PALS. He also feels we should be looking at community paramedicine, as that is the move of the nation.

Steve discussed the pediatric protocols and the group that is reviewing them. Six to ten members are on each Committee. Areas being reviewed are cardiac, pediatrics, trauma, and medical. The next committee meeting will be held on April 2nd. Pediatric protocols have not been reviewed since 2000. We are also looking at the addition of Children with Special Health Care Needs protocols.

Family to Family F2F Project of West Virginia (Todd Rundle)

Todd Rundle spoke about the F2F project which is governed by HRSA and National Family Voices. The goal of this group is to make certain children have health care services. Todd will mail out information to EMSC Advisory Committee Members. Family to Family has six staff housed regionally in West Virginia. WV Parent Training and Information is one of F2F's partners.

Child Fatality Review Team Update (Trish McCay)

Trish McCay: The Child Fatality Review Team (CFRT) will be hosting a Southeast Coalition on child fatalities in July 2014. Nationally renowned speakers will be meeting with them. Trish will be sending out invitations. Twelve states will be participation from West Virginia to Texas. This coalition has been in existence for several years. A CFRT retreat is being planned for May or June. OCME has just finished all 2012 deaths with a couple cases lingering, with 2013 case reviews beginning next month. The goal is to begin reporting out yearly. Child deaths are up by 100. Drug overdoses in 1998 were 21 overdoses. Overdoses are now running 600-700 a year.

West Virginia State Fire Marshall Update (Tim Provaznik)

Tim Provaznik provided an update for the West Virginia State Fire Marshall. In West Virginia is #1 in the nation per capita in fire deaths. We must determine how to change how the public is provided education. How do you get individuals that get the smoke detector installed to change the batteries? How do you educate the public regarding 9 volt batteries and that they can start a fire if they come in contact with metal? WVFSM Office is also looking at working with local DHHR office to educate to low income families.

Tim gave out a dual sensor smoke detector to the EMSC Advisory Committee. Michelle O'Bryan won the smoke detector. Per Michelle, the Violence and Injury Prevention Program Action groups are looking at fire prevention, as well.

WV Violence and Injury Prevention Update (Michelle O'Bryan)

Michelle O'Bryan – VIPP – Strategic Planning meetings have occurred over the past year. The intention is to connect professionals in order to coordinate prevention efforts. Four (4) classification workgroups: intentional injuries and violence, unintentional, suicide, and child abuse and neglect. The action group is brainstorming ideas regarding prevention activities. Future meetings are scheduled. At the completion, a strategic plan with goals and objectives will exist. The workgroup will develop a plan of action regarding trends, data, and filling in the gaps that may exist on other injury prevention initiatives. The purpose of this is to obtain more resources, people, and volunteers to reduce duplication of efforts. West Virginia is now a state leader in Safe Kids Worldwide. This organization focuses on childhood unintentional injuries from ages 0 – 19. Safe Kids can also assist EMS agencies in developing their own Safe Kids Coalition. EMS agencies/hospitals can benefit from the resources. WV was the only state in the United States that didn't have one. There is no cost involved, material can contain their logo or your own safe kids logo. For more information visit www.Safekids.org website.

VIPP and the EMSC Program are working on a safe driving video. Details are being worked out. This initiative includes DMV, Governor's Highway Safety, VIPP, and EMSC. This will be an excellent opportunity to educate kids.

TSN Updates (James Donathan)

James Donathan discussed some structure changes related to field operations and field work activities. The primary goal is to improve OMS and field communication. They intend on having more presence at meetings and committees in the future. Updates were given on recertification by regions. In addition squad visits including new policy and trainings are in process.

WVEMSTSN assisted with the February Pediatric Symposium and Ethics Seminars are being conducted across the state. WVEMSTSN has a representative on the Protocol Development Committee, as well. Gail Dragoo and Rocki Loudon are working on crisis education such as deaths. Per Gail, EMSC, Dr. Kappel and all of the positive things happening are helping to provide better skills to pediatric patients and providers. Peer to Peer training was discussed. Susie Wilson will e-mail the link of crisis counselors statewide to Vicki Hildreth.

Safe Driving Video (Natalie Harvey)

Natalie Harvey was unable to attend.

WV Governor's Highway Safety Program (Trish Anderson)

Trish Anderson was unable to attend.

ASPEN – Suicide Prevention (Barri Faucett)

Barri Faucett, Director of ASPEN Project – Suicide Prevention spoke about her program. This program has been in existence since 2006. Over 10,000 adults and 8,000 children have been trained. Barri also presented at the ESCAPe Conference in Pipestem. Suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death of adolescence in our state. Material was distributed to the EMSC Advisory Committee. There are currently only three trainers in the State of West Virginia.

Wrap-Up and Future Dates

Dates for next year's council meetings were discussed and agreed upon. The group agreed to move the meetings to Flatwoods area. Exact locations for the meetings will be given at a future date. All meeting will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

June 18, 2014	MCC	Flatwoods, WV
September 17, 2014	Bridgeport Conference Center	Bridgeport, WV
December 10, 2014	Days Hotel and Conference Center	Flatwoods, WV