

CASAC Meeting

Minutes – November 19th, 2025



Meeting called to order by Chairman Rosenberg

Approval of minutes – the minutes from the September meeting were sent out by SOCALR.

Are there any additions or corrections to the minutes? None

Motion to approve: Jonathan Seigel, Seconded by Matt Larrabee.

No objections to the motion – minutes approved.

State Medical Director's Report – Dr. Chizmar

The Protocol Review Committee held their last meeting of the year. Dr. Chizmar would like to pause for a moment and thank John Olivera for his years of service on this committee. John has submitted his letter of resignation as the Commercial ALS Representative and we appreciate all of his time and hard work in this position.

Dr. Chizmar is pleased to report that there are no new medications, procedures, or devices being proposed for 2026. So, from a fiscal standpoint that's a good thing for everyone. The pain management proposal, which was a complete overhaul of pain management, has been tabled. There was going to be removal of some consults, but also add IV acetaminophen potentially, but all of that has been tabled.

One of the largest changes is going to be around seizures, adding ketamine to treat seizures as a second line agent if we are not successful with terminating a seizure with midazolam. We were also discussing expanding the use of labetalol for TPA-eligible stroke patients as well.

We will have some secondary indications for some medications that we already have on the standard list, but no new medications that we would need to budget for.

From the Protocol Review Committee's process, our next steps are to present to CASAC and the State EMS Board in early 2026. Dr. Chizmar will be able to give the CASAC group more information on how that's going at the January CASAC meeting.

In addition, we will need to fill the Commercial ALS Representative position opening. Meg and Dr. Chizmar will share that information with Scott Legore so that he can hopefully assist the Protocol Review Committee with getting the word out to any interested ALS clinicians who are with Commercial Services. And we ask that each service or each medical director with a Commercial Service can nominate one person, if they get multiple nominees to serve on that committee. Just by the way of review, the Protocol Review Committee does have one Commercial ALS Representative, one

Commercial BLS Representative, and one CASAC Representative at large that are all in the PRC.

From a legislative standpoint, there are some legislative bills that we are following, but really the primary one doesn't have much to do with commercial services. It's really more jurisdictionally based in terms of the inspection list of what needs to be on each ALS and BLS ambulance in the state. As many of you know, that in 9-1-1 that's a voluntary process. Commercial Services has had a long-standing mandatory list and a mandatory inspection process. So, depending on how the legislature turns this year, the jurisdictional process may start to look a lot more like the commercial or at least have the list. Aside from the process, they may be required to have a list of required things for 9-1-1 ambulances. I don't know of any big pieces of legislation that are likely to impact Commercial Services at this point.

SOCALR Report

Inspection/License Update – Scott Legore

Marty Johnson did not have anything to report. Scott Legore added that we've concluded the license renewal process for this year. A couple of units are still outstanding that were not available at renewal, but it's only a handful and we are working through them as they come back in service and ready for inspection.

We have two new service applications that are in the process. One is mostly complete. We're waiting for the unit to have radios installed for us to inspect and do the final inspection on the unit. So, we may have two new services to announce next month.

QA Review/Data Import – Scott Barquin

Scott Barquin did not have anything to report. Reminded the CASAC group that if he can be of assistance with clinicians having problems with the licensure or logging in, please let him know.

Equipment Update – Scott Legore

It was proposed to the Protocol Review Committee to remove the OSP for BLS Narcan. SOCALR is not going to require Narcan on the BLS units. However, if your service is carrying it, you will not be required to maintain the OSP or request an OSP now since the training on Narcan is pretty standard. We are going to eliminate the OSP. It is not going to be required for the BLS units. Dr. Chizmar added that he didn't go into the change information as it is still pending the board's approval. It just needs to be finalized with the board.

Clinician Services – Aaron Edwards

Recertification, so we are about 50% through all of our clinicians that expire in January 2026. If you have been reached out to because you are an educational program and were

requested to submit some documentation, we really just want to get a syllabus. We found that it's easier if we go back, go through each of the courses, and give credit there than it is to hit 50 -100 people for the information. If we just do one course, sometimes we can win strike those down. Of the 1, 200 or so that are left of our refreshers, probably 200 of them are nationally registered so they really don't need anything else other than to fill out an application. If you can remind your people to put in an application to recertify, that's pretty much what I have on the recertification thing.

I haven't heard much about reciprocity, so I'm hoping that that's working better for everyone. If you have questions or concerns, reach out to our office.

Committee Reports

PEMAC Report – Cyndy Wright Johnson

Cyndy wants to highlight the STABLE course, which is one of the two handouts she sent out to the CASAC group. Several people have been reaching out to her for information on the registration for this course. We don't have the registration because it's being done through the Winterfest Conference and the Miltenberger Conference. The prices are set by them. She believes the Winterfest course will be \$50 and there is no cost information available to the Miltenberger Conference yet. It is usually a little higher to Miltenberger than Winterfest as they offer the course at the hotel. We have already covered the cost of the books, the online portion. What is new to STABLE is that there is a 2-hour foundation course that must be completed prior to coming to the in-person portion of the course. There are online complete STABLE courses if people want to complete the course that way. She is available to answer any questions.

The new neonatal algorithm was approved by PEMAC and by the Protocol Review Committee. As soon as we have it back from the graphic artists, we can change it. It is not a change in care. It is taking 3 pages to 1 page and making it an algorithm.

PEMAC is updating the newly born protocol and is has been approved.

SEMSAC Report – Danny Platt – No report. Teddy Baldwin – No report.

MIH Report – Deb Ailiff (Not available) Mark Buchholtz - No report.

Old Business – Will Rosenberg

I would like to add that Scott Legore has informed me that he's going to meet with the pediatric neonatal folks next month about the conversations that have been circulated around NRP/STABLE and some other things in the NICU regulations. Will to Scott, anything you want to add? Scott Legore advised we are going to pull in some equipment that came up in the equipment list inspections.

New Business – Will Rosenberg

SOCLAR sent out the 2026 CASAC Meeting Schedule. Please note that the March 2026 meeting date has been changed to the 19th to accommodate those that have another meeting to attend in March.

We will be accepting nominations between now and January 1st for the Commercial ALS Representation position for the Protocol Review Committee so we can vote on them at the January CASAC meeting. Please only send one nominee to Scott Legore. Make sure the representative comes from your service and/or your medical director. If multiple people on your organization want to be involved, remember you can only submit one per service. Also remember, they must be an ALS clinician or higher.

Scott Legore advised that the MIEMSS annual report is out. He did post a link on the Smartsheet dashboard for the pdf version. If your service would like a hard copy, please let him know. We have some that we can distribute if you'd like a hard copy of the report.

For the Good of the Committee - None

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned

Attendance:

In Person: Scott Legore, Will Rosenberg, & Aaron Edwards.

Virtual: Donna Geisel, Lara Snyder, Scott Barquin, John Oliveria, Tyler Stroh, Jonathan Seigel, Claire Pierson, Marty Johnson, Matt Larrabee, Abby Butler, Mary Bell, Rob Weiss, Mike Moretti, Mark Buchholtz, James Pixton, Jeff Kreimer, Steve Rawheiser, John Pierce, Leigha McGuin, Jacquelyn Breeden, Teddy Baldwin, Cyndy Wright-Johnson, Matt Goldstein, & Zach Risoldi.

Caller #1: Will Stinson

Caller #2: Dr. Tim Chizmar