



Region III Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

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March 28, 2018

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4. Carroll
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8. Harbor
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10. HCGH
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12. JHH
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14. Marcy
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17. Sinai
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E. MSP

F. MCAC

G. Training Institutions / MFRI

H. MEMA

IX. Adjourn

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Minutes

In Attendance:

Richard Alcorta, MD (MIEMSS State Medical Director), Robert Asamoah (Northwest), Sean Britton (MIEMSS), James Brothers (Howard County), Kathryn Burroughs (Union Memorial), Tim Chizmar, MD (Region III Medical Director), Susan Cochrane (BWMC), Christine Deckard (Harford Memorial Hospital), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS), Bill Dousa (Harford County), Linda Dousa (Harford County), Mark Dubel (Anne Arundel County), Brian Frearson (MFRI), Randy Linthicum (MIEMSS), Jeffrey Huggins (MIEMSS Region III), James Matz (Baltimore City), William McCarran (Baltimore City), Jennifer Osik (Upper Chesapeake), Chad Packard (BWI Fire and Rescue), Alex Perricone (Baltimore City), Marian Rongione (St. Joseph's), Linas Saurusaitis (BWI Fire and Rescue), Rich Schenning (Baltimore County), Brittany Spies (MIEMSS Region III), Robert Vaccaro (Anne Arundel County), Curtis Wiggins (Carroll County), Jeff Willats (Baltimore County), Cyndy Wright-Johnson (MIEMSS EMSC),

On Line:

Cynthia Balmaceda (Howard County General), Tracy Barresi (St. Agnes), Joe Brown (Carroll Hospital), Marissa Chandler (Harbor), Nancy Cimino (Union Memorial), Diana Clapp (Shock Trauma), Cindy Cohen (Mercy), Sara Delkhood (UMMC Midtown), Marie Dieter (Johns Hopkins Bayview), Aaron Edwards (Annapolis City), Anita Hagley (Baltimore City), Paula Justice (Johns Hopkins Adult), John Lau (GBMC), Elizabeth Nash (St. Joseph's), Cathy Park (Johns Hopkins Pediatrics), Lisa Puett (Johns Hopkins Peds Trauma), Judy Schroeder (Johns Hopkins Adult Trauma), Roger Simonds (Consumer Representative), Roger Stone (Region V Medical Director), Laura Taylor (Johns Hopkins Bayview),

I. **Welcome & Introductions:** Chief Alex Perricone welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were done in the room and online.

II. **Chair Report - Chief Perricone:**

The minutes from the January 24, 2018 meeting was distributed for review. Correction to be made to the minutes under Maryland EMSC Report: #3: The Physician APLS Course to be held in July and December at MIEMSS should be the Physician ABLS Course. A motion to approve the minutes with the correction was made and the motion passed by Kathi Burroughs and Roger Simonds. There was no correspondence to report. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at 1:00pm at MIEMSS Conference Room 212.

III. **Program Reports**

A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update - Roger Simonds: Not present

B. State EMS Medical Director Report - Dr. Richard Alcorta:

1. Executive Director search is ongoing. MIEMSS hopes to have a list for the EMS Board within the next two months next 2 months



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2. Dr. Alcorta will be retiring effective November 1st. Currently looking a contractual representative to learn and transition into the position on November 1st.
 3. Fentanyl and Cardizem are some of the medical shortages that the hospitals and EMS are currently facing. A copy of letter was distributed to everyone.
 4. Lactated ringers are improving with Puerto Rico is slowly getting power restored.
 5. Jason Cantera and the Regional Administrators will be meeting with each of the EMS operational programs for implementation of EMEDS Elite. The target date to begin the process is July 1, 2018.
 6. MIEMSS is working on Medical Directors and Quality Assurance Officers having access to CRISP and uploading of jurisdictions service into CRISP. Each jurisdiction, through the Regional office, will receive a Business Associates Agreement that needs to be signed through their legal office.
 7. Over 30 pieces of legislation were introduced this year to help or address the opioid crisis including EMS to use 4 mg/0.1 intranasal. For those who want to put the intranasal administration process on trucks for ALS and BLS may do so.
 8. The Naloxone Leave Behind pilot protocol was approved by the EMS board. The counties that have expressed interest and have funding to allocate for the program are: Allegany, Frederick, St. Mary's, Wicomico and Baltimore City. Interest have been shown from Anne Arundel and Howard counties. Applications are needed before operations begin.
 9. Naloxone compensation process through the Opioid Operation Command Center – Data from the jurisdiction is needed by April 5th in order for proper compensation for treat and release.
 10. As of January 1, 2020, the national registry will no longer test new students in the I-99 level in any state. CRTs can maintain existing license. Town Hall meeting will be held on April 17th at 1pm in Howard Training Academy.
 11. Learning Management System should be up at the first or second week of April
 12. HB682 that allows EMS to bill for alternate designation, mobile integrated health and treat and release – may end up in summer session. There is another bill that requires reporting by EMS to OD map, run by the High Incident Tracking Administration, to record all overdoses by location and if Narcan was given.
 13. Medical Director Symposium will be held on April 11th at the Sykesville Volunteer Fire Department
- C. MIEMSS Region III Report - Jeff Huggins:
1. The Region III written report was distributed electronically and to those in attendance. A copy is included in the minutes.
- D. Maryland EMSC Report Cyndy Wright Johnson
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 2. Advances in Pediatric Emergency Medicine Conference will be held on April 13th at Holy Cross Hospital Education Center



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3. In May and June a reassessment of all hospitals in Maryland will be done on two of the nine performance measures on inter-facility guidelines and inter-facility transfer agreements.

E. MIEMSS Emergency Operations - Randy Linthicum:

1. Last month the Governor issued an Executive Order for active assailant preparedness and response. MIEMSS looking to reinvigorate the active assailant workgroup.

2. CISM training will be held in Washington County in May – a three-day class and will be working with Cecil County to have a class there in June.

3. There will be CISM courses at EMS Care as part of the Pre-Conference: one-day CISM Refresher for existing members and a one-day resiliency course for all responders.

4. A 17 member CISM/Mental Health team was sent to the US Virgin Islands in January and February as part of an EMAC request. The mission was to train and outreach for government employees and first responders who have been impacted and still recovering from the hurricanes. The mission was well received.

5. MIEMSS coordinate with CISM a team for the school staff and teachers at Great Mills High School. An 18 member team was coordinated making up with members from ICISF, Jeff Mitchell, Baltimore County Police Department, Calvert County, Charles County, Carroll, County, Frederick County Public Schools, Montgomery County Fire and Rescue, St. Mary's County and private sector mental health providers.

6. Early planning has begun for the NDMS exercise at BWI tentatively scheduled for Fall 2019.

7. Jeff Huggins will be working with the Region III jurisdictions for participation in the Ambulance Strike Team.

8. Vigilant Guard exercise will be held in Edgewood on May 1st through May 7th with the full scale exercise on May 8th and May 9th and a hot wash on May 10th. Ambulances are needed for the full exercise. Jurisdictions are asked to any support they can provide.

F. MIEMSS Regional Programs - Jon Bratt: Not present

IV. Committees

A. Emergency Education Council - Paul Massarelli – reported by Jeff Huggins:

1. EMS Care preparations

2. Jurisdictions who have not done so are asked to submit their agreements

B. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition - Christina Hughes:

1. The Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition Report was distributed electronically and to those in attendance. A copy is included in the minutes.

C. Region III Medical Directors - Tim Chizmar, MD:

1. A new format for the meeting began today with the leadership and the medical directors meeting on the same day in two separate locations in January, March, May and September 11am-1pm with the plan to have the joint meeting in January.



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Dr. Geither, Deputy Medical Director for Baltimore City was introduced to the group.

2. There will be a LMS package on how to handle acute stroke patients after 6 hours for providers and base stations as part of the LMS update this year.

V. Prevention Activities - Council Membership:

A. State Trauma Centers will be hosting a distracted driving event on April 4th. Drowsy driving information and materials were sent to all the centers. The presentation that was done at the February EMS Broadcast will be shown again at the MSFA Convention and the Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference.

B. A bill that repeals the motorcycle helmet and a bill that was introduced by a Delegate at the request of a parent that everyone all children be rear faced until age 2 are currently sitting in committees and have not moved to the Senate.

VI. Old Business: None to report

VII. New Business

A. New format for the Region III Medical Directors meeting: The Medical Directors will meet in one conference room and the Council of Transportation Committee and Jurisdiction Authority will meet in room 212. The format will continue and meet in January, March, May and September.

VIII. Regional Roundtable Reports

A. EMS

1. Annapolis: no report
2. Anne Arundel
 - a) Struggling through drug shortages and seeking alternatives to handle the shortages
3. Baltimore City
 - a) New recruits to start soon
 - b) Dealing with drug shortages
4. Baltimore County
 - a) 40 recruits graduated, 12 firefighter recruits to graduate next week
 - b) Partnering with CCBC to do ALS training and paramedic program, sending supervisors to Sinai for training
5. BWI
 - a) 6 paramedics to be hired soon and go through training
6. Carroll: No report
7. Harford
 - a) 1st career ambulance went into effect in January
 - b) Moving forward with Mobile Integrated Health plan, in its early planning stages
8. Howard
 - a) Hosting a resuscitation academy May 23-24



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- b) Recruit class of 17 personnel to graduate at the end of May-early June
- c) Progress with Stop the Bleed program in high schools in Carroll County

B. Health Depts.: Not present

C. Hospitals

1. AAMC: Not present
2. BWMC: No report
3. Bon Secours: Not present
4. Carroll: No report
5. Franklin Square: Not present
6. Good Samaritan: Not present
7. GBMC: No report
8. Harbor: No report
9. Harford Memorial: No report
10. Howard County General:
 - a) Base station Course scheduled for June 15th
 - b) Named a new Medical Director
11. Johns Hopkins Bayview:
 - a) Will host a Distractive Driving Class on April 4th
 - b) Trauma centers will be partnering with AT&T in distractive driving information from 11am-1:30pm
 - c) EMS Education Day on May 24th
12. Johns Hopkins Adult:
 - a) Will host a Distractive Driving Class on April 4th from 11am to 1pm
 - b) Reaching out to EMS providers to attend quarterly trauma conferences that are combined ED/Trauma related
13. Johns Hopkins Peds: No report
14. Mercy: No report
15. Northwest: No report
16. Shock Trauma
 - a) Will host a Distractive Driving Class on April 4th
 - b) April 4 EMS Education Evening broadcast on April 4th from 7pm to 9pm
 - c) Equipment available for pick up
17. Sinai: Not present
18. St. Agnes: No report
19. St. Joseph's
 - a) Elizabeth Nash named new ED Interim Manager
 - b) Marian Rongione is now the hospital's Base Station Coordinator
 - c) Amy Miles will be the EMS Liaison
20. Union Memorial
 - a) Recently had helivad training for Baltimore City



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- b) Preparations for EMS Week
 - 21. UMMC: Not present
 - 22. UMMC Midtown
 - a) Thanks to Captain Hagley for attending the ED staff meeting
 - 23. Upper Chesapeake
 - a) Continuing the search for a new Director
 - b) The position will be reformatted into an Assistant V. President position that will incorporate the ICU, Emergency Department for both Upper Chesapeake and Harford Memorial hospitals
 - c) Daniel Wright is leaving the hospital, the search for a new Clinical Nurse Manager to begin
 - d) First Friday for EMS will begin on April 6th at the 5:30pm in the Chesapeake Conference Center
 - D. Commercial Ambulance: Not present
 - E. MSP: Not present
 - F. MCAC:
 - 1. Alex Cardella from DC fusion center will be attending future meetings as their representative
 - 2. Currently working on fusion liaison program within the EMS community
 - G. Training Institutions / MFRI: No report
 - H. MEMA – No report
- IX. Meeting Adjourn



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MIEMSS Region III Office Written Report to Council March 28, 2018

EMS Care 2018: EMS Care 2018 will take place April 25-29, 2018 at the Clarion Resort in Ocean City, MD. Registration is currently open, and courses are beginning to fill up. The full brochure can be found on the MIEMSS website (www.miemss.org)

Triage Tag Days: Jurisdictions are requested to participate in the quarterly triage tag days to enhance provider familiarity with the tags. Participation continues to increase throughout the region. All region III hospitals should be prepared to receive the tags and may use the EPTS equipment to scan incoming tags if so desired.

HC Standard Hospital Contact List: All hospitals are reminded to continue to update their contact numbers in HC Standard. Hospitals can do so by going under their facilities workspace and clicking on the matrix entitled ‘Contacts-‘Hospital Name’.

50/50 Matching Grants: FY2018 applications have been reviewed and approved by regional affairs. Award letters have been distributed, and should be returned if not done so already.

State Homeland Security Grant Program: FY2018 applications have been received and are currently being reviewed and prioritized by regional affairs.

Naloxone EMS Grant: The FY2018 Phase 1 Naloxone grant has been distributed, and reimbursements are being processed.

Voluntary Ambulance Inspection Programs: Spring VAIP’s are in the process of being scheduled.



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Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition Report to the MIEMSS Region III EMS Advisory Council March 28, 2018

The 2018 triage tag dates will continue quarterly. The next dates are April 3-7. The January compilation revealed the same trends...missing age, vital signs, treatment, and unit number.

There is a Coalition board available to use for health and medical coalition purposes on the state WebEOC system. Access for all health and medical partners is complete.

Allocation of Scarce Resources framework development is complete and has been submitted last summer to MDH for review, approval, and next steps. Continue to await their feedback at this time.

Work has culminated on BP5 HPP projects: a water filtration system training and incident rehab pod demo is pending.

Members of the Coalition are participating in the UASI training and exercise planning workgroup to determine next steps forward.

The Coalition has developed a website. Invites for the member only portal have been sent.

The Coalition continues to work with the MDH Comm Group to move forward with a radio purchase for partners in the Region.

Await additional feedback from MIEMSS on the future of patient tracking. Discussions with CRISP partners have continued. Region is compiling a list of initial hospital participants to be given training and access.

Many lessons learned and areas for improvement were identified from the 2 day JCTAWS (Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series). We continue to work on corrective action items.

The UASI Alternate Care Site cache as the USAR warehouse has been relocated to Carroll County and Bayview's storage warehouse. Work continues to sort through the equipment and relocate some. Additional materials for the cache have been received.

At this time, it appears that the ACS will co-exist with the GBMC gym while a new gym is constructed. Await official letter from GBMC officials.

The Coalition is continuing discussion with MSP to ensure that consistent processes are in place regarding healthcare worker expectations for road travel during emergencies.



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HPP regional projects for the current budget period are underway. There will be a Regional Surge/Evac Tool Workshop on April 30th. Planning is underway for the evacuation exercise as well. Active assailant kits are currently being procured.

The Coalition is collaborating with the new fire and EMS rep at the MCAC.

The group is collaborating with the MDH Ebola Planner to work on training opportunities for regional partners.

Await feedback from MDH as to guidance from CDC for hospital CHEMPACK needed supplies to be stocked since auto injectors have been removed.

The Coalition has begun to discuss concerns regarding PPE expiration and need for replacement with MDH.

The next Region III Health & Medical Coalition meeting is scheduled