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AGENDA

October 3, 2019

1:00pm – 3:00pm

- I. Call to Order – Dr. Kalish
- II. Approval of the September 5, 2019 meeting minutes – Dr. Kalish
- III. MIEMSS Report – Dr. Delbridge
- IV. SEMSAC Chair Report – Dr. Kalish
- V. MSFA Update
- VI. MSPAC – Captain McMinn
- VII. Committee Reports
 - ALS
 - BLS
 - Regional Affairs – Mr. Smothers
- VIII. Old Business
 - MIH Update – Dr. Chizmar
- IX. New Business
 - Volunteer Ambulance Inspection Program – Mr. Naumann
 - SEMSAC Chairperson and Vice Chairperson – Ms. Goff



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Meeting Minutes

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SEMSAC Members Present: Murray Kalish, MD, Chairman; Kristie Snedeker for Karen Doyle, Vice Chair; John Filer (phone); Eric Smothers; Michael Cox; Tim Kerns; Jim Matz (phone); Lisa Tenney; Karen Vogel; Brian Frankel; Michael Millin, MD; Michael DeRuggiero (phone); Kathleen Grote (phone); Tim Burns; Scott Haas; Keith McMinn; Wayne Dyott; Melissa Meyers (phone)

Members Absent: Jeffrey Fillmore, MD; Rosemary Kozar, MD; Wayne Tiemersma; Linda Dousa; Habeeba Park, MD; Wade Gaasch, MD;

MSPAC: Major Tagliaferri; Mr. Wood

Others: Kristie Snedeker

OAG: Mr. Magee; Ms. Sette

MIEMSS: Ted Delbridge, MD; Tim Chizmar, MD; Jeannie Abramson; Jim Brown; John Barto; Michael Parsons; Mark Bilger; Anna Aycocock; Carole Mays; Dave Balthis; Barbara Goff

Dr. Kalish called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

Dr. Kalish asked for corrections to be made to the September 5, 2019 meeting.

Dr. Kalish called for the approval of the minutes from the September 5, 2019 meeting with corrections.

ACTION: A motion was made by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Doyle and unanimously agreed upon to approve the minutes of the September 5th meeting, as amended.

SEMSAC Chairman's Report

The Board approved the September 2019 SEMSAC By-laws with the last sentence in the first paragraph under Terms of Office reading: "Prior to seeking the Chair or Vice-Chair position, the individual must be a member of SEMSAC for at least two years."

Mr. Tiemersma provided the Board a presentation on the 50/50 grant. Dr. Kalish advised the Board that SEMSAC had approved recommending a \$200,000.00 increase to the 50/50/grant. MIEMSS has already added an additional \$25,000.00 to the grant. MIEMSS staff will work with the RAC to address the Board's questions regarding justification for the increase request. It is anticipated that the results will be presented at the December EMS Board meeting.

The EMS Board approved Northwest Hospital as a Primary Stroke Center for a 5-year designation; Suburban Hospital, UM Prince George's Medical Center and MedStar Union Memorial Hospital for 5-year designation as a Cardiac Interventional Centers and Sinai Hospital for the remaining 4 years of a 5-year designation as a Level II Adult Trauma Center.

MIEMSS Report

Dr. Delbridge gave an update on the following initiatives:

CHATS

Dr. Delbridge said that due to the integrity of the current software, a new hospital alerting system is necessary. The Hospital Emergency Services Forum, to discuss with hospital personnel the future of the CHATS hospital alerting system, was held on September 24, 2019, at MIEMSS.

A lengthy discussion on the current and future of the alerting system ensued.

EMS Plan 2020

A copy of the first draft of the EMS Plan was distributed.

Dr. Delbridge said that MIEMSS staff has met with stakeholders, including SEMSAC members, to update the draft of the EMS Plan. The EMS Plan Steering Committee has met and is reviewing the draft Plan for any suggested changes or additions. Dr. Delbridge will be presenting the draft Plan to additional stakeholders including Regional EMS Advisory Councils.

MSFA

Mr. Bilger said that the MSFA Executive Committee met September 20-22, 2019 at the Bay District Volunteer Fire Department. Partners had the opportunity to meet with committees prior to the Executive Committee meeting.

Mr. Bilger gave an overview of the upcoming legislative initiatives.

MSPAC Update

A paper copy of the MSPAC IFR presentation was distributed.

Captain McMinn said that for approximately two weeks each month, the Salisbury Section is covering dayshifts only (0700–1900) due to staffing shortages.

Captain McMinn gave a presentation on the IFR capabilities being initiated by the Aviation Command.

A discussion followed regarding clinician criteria for aviation request and the avoidance of any abuse when requesting a medevac.

MSPAC also discussed the challenges presented by drones.

Committee Reports

Regional Affairs Committee

Mr. Smothers said that the 50/50 grants were discussed, including the need for additional information for data on jurisdictional monitors. He said that a dedicated timeline has been established for grant applications and completion. The grant application has been streamlined online. He added that the funding source for the 50% needed by jurisdictions and departments should be determined prior to them submitting their application.

OLD BUSINESS

Mobile Integrated Health (MIH)

A copy of the presentation was distributed.

Dr. Chizmar gave an update on the current Maryland MIH Programs. MIH programs link high utilizers of 911 to community resources that can better meet their health care needs, and work to help avoid hospital re-admission. He highlighted the target populations in each MIH jurisdiction along with the corresponding partnerships and the services provided. Dr. Chizmar also provided pre/post analysis of 911 calls in Charles, Prince Georges and Wicomico Counties and the risk-adjusted readmission rates in Baltimore City. Dr. Chizmar said that plans for Maryland MIH programs include data monitoring, quarterly meetings, sharing best practices and reimbursement.

NEW BUSINESS

Volunteer Ambulance Inspection Program (VAIP)

A copy of the proposed updated program was distributed.

Mr. Naumann gave an overview of the proposed changes to the VAIP. A discussion followed regarding the securing of controlled substances. Mr. Naumann will distribute a clarification memo on the DEA requirements for securing controlled substances.

Having no further business to discuss, the SEMSAC adjourned by acclamation.