

Region I EMS Advisory Council Meeting

April 21, 2022

The Region I EMS Advisory Council Meeting was held virtually on October 21, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Members on the call included: Doug Beitzel, Jeff Hobbs, Wendy Helms, Kim Gordon, Dr. Stephanie Sisler, Shannon Adams, Wayne Tiemersma, Diane Lee, Todd Dyche, Rick DeVore, Al Ward, Jennifer Ritchie, Dwayne Kitis and Alex Kelly.

The meeting was called to order by Doug Beitzel at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of January 20, 2022 Minutes

The minutes were reviewed and approved as written.

Welcome Guests

Dr. Chizmar and Cyndy Wight Johnson from MIEMSS; Megan Roderick, Region I & II Health Care Coalition.

President's Report – Doug Beitzel; No report

Committee Reports

Prehospital Care System – No meeting held since last Council meeting

Quality Improvement – No Report

Bylaws/Membership

ALS Advisory Committee / Garrett College – Doug Beitzel

- An update on ALS training in the Region was provided, please see attachment.

Region I Emergency Services Education Council, Inc. – Dwayne Kitis

- The Education Council partnered with Winterfest to supply courses from the Miltenberger Seminar to provide classes online at the MIEMSS Learning Management System (LMS) for Clinicians to obtain CEU's this year. Nursing credits are also available after signing up with the LMS. The classes will be online until the end of the year.
- The Miltenberger Committee will probably start meeting again in July to start planning for the 2023 seminar.

Garrett County Activities

Garrett Regional Medical Center – Kim Gordon

- Things are winding down some at the hospital now providing a little break from COVID 19.
- They are working on finishing up the Base Station application.

Garrett County Emergency Management – No Report

Garrett County Communications – No Report

Garrett County ESB and EMS – Wayne Tiemersma

- The EMS Board is working with Northern Garrett County Rescue Squad looking at the health of the organization; looking at the system as a whole for gaps and needs.
- New chase vehicle for the County is in service now.

Garrett County Health Department – Diane Lee

- The Health Department had a small group of people travel down to Atlanta to attend the National Prescription Drug and Heroin Summit.
- They will be having some Town Hall meetings in the County; also can watch their Facebook page for things going on in the area.

Allegheny County Activities

Allegheny County Emergency Management / Communications / EMS – No Report

Allegheny County Emergency Services Board

- Chief Shannon Adams shared that the Board is updating some committee bylaws; also updated officer standards in Allegheny.
- They are working on getting the committees within the organization back up and running after COVID.

Allegany County Health Department – No Report

UPMC Western Maryland – Wendy Helms

- The hospital is status quo now, recovering from COVID; current COVID admission numbers for the hospital are in single digits. They also took the tent down at the end of February.

Allegany College of Maryland – No Report

Regional Reports

Regional Medical Director - No Report

Regional Pediatric Medical Director – Dr. Stephanie Sisler – No updates to report.

Region I Specialty Centers – Jeff Hobbs

- They have received their Stroke Designation for the center now.

MFRI – Todd Dyché

- A handout was provided on EMS classes in the Region; a lot of BLS classes in both counties; please see attachment.
- Renovation of the Training Center is progressing very well.
- Goal in the Region is to centralize some training; deviating away from Fire and EMS stations. The CCTE facility at Garrett College and the EOC will be used for training.

MDEM – No report

Medevac – Rick DeVore

- Always give them a call for any patient that needs flown.
- If anyone has ideas on training for their department as far as Medivac goes, please get in contact with him.

CISM – Al Ward

- They had two diffusing and a debriefing since the last Council meeting.
- An additional mental health person has been recruited.
- Their next meeting is next Monday evening.

AGCVFRA – No Report

Region I & II Healthcare Coalition – Megan Roderick

- The coalition is getting back to regular programs.
- A table-top exercise on Burn Surge was held April 14 at Allegany County EMS Services and was open to all their regional partners; after-action discussion will be at next meeting on May 4.
- There resources in their warehouse for EMS, if anyone needs something.

Career Fire & EMS – Shannon Adams

- They are slowly working on changes around the department; staffing policies for the County is a major one. They are working on Mutual Alarm Box staffing with the County so that the Fire Department can free up ambulance crews to use as firefighters on incidents. The County will back them up with ambulance coverage as needed.
- One open position has been filled and hopefully will fill another this summer.

Commercial Ambulance – No Report

MIEMSS

Cyndy Wright Johnson

- Cyndy emailed handouts to the members.
- They are gearing up for EMS Care and the Firemen's' Convention.
- May 1st is the official Heatstroke Prevention Day; one of the handouts she provided was on the displays available for this topic.
- She recognized Garrett County Health Department for participating in the EMS for Children Safe Sleep Campaign.
- She highlighted the online courses from Miltenberger Seminar and Winterfest; 13 courses all have nursing credits in MD and WV, along with ALS and BLS credits.
- Cyndy recognized Dr. Sisler, Doug Beitzel and Sue Clark Cecil who all will be in the Spring edition of the Maryland EMS News in April. They are featured in the Pediatric Champion Resources article.

Dr. Chizmar

- Protocol updates are being worked on; a video on the protocols will be ready by mid-May.
- Everybody was given a year to get people trained on albuterol usage and get it on BLS units; this needs done by July 2022.
- The Medical Director Symposium was held virtually last week.
- Encourage people to make use of the EMS Stipend; for new people the stipend is \$2000 which is spread out over the training process; runs January 2022 through July 2023.

Region I Report – Dwayne Kitis

- Allegany County received some extra Cardiac Grant funds from a group in Region V who did not use their allotted money. Oldtown, Frostburg Fire Department, and Midland received AEDs with these funds.

Old Business - None

New Business

- Possible restarting of Triage Tag functional exercises in the future.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.



Garrett College
ALS Training report for
Region 1 EMS Advisory Council meeting

April 21, 2022 - 1900 hours – online

2020-2022 cohort – 23 students are finishing the last semester which ends on May 5th. We will take a class trip to MIEMSS and the Anatomy Board for a cadaver lab in Baltimore on May 3rd. This cohort will have an in-person graduation the evening of May 12th which will be open to the public at the main campus in the auditorium at 7pm. NREMT psychomotor testing will take place on May 14th. Also 6-8 students are currently taking the program for a degree. Three students will be graduating from Garrett College on May 21st with their A.A.S. Degree in Paramedic Studies. They are Destiny Jackson (Garrett County), Brett Thomas (Allegany County) and Karen Tingle (Garrett County).

A.A.S. Degree in Paramedic Studies – Any current Paramedic can earn half their degree at Garrett College. The other half can be done online. In county tuition is available for anyone in Maryland as well. Please reach out to Doug Beitzel for additional information if interested.

Accreditation – Our 5-year reaccreditation will begin with our self-study due to arrive in November. We will have 6 months to complete, then a site visit team will schedule a 2 day visit to inspect the program. Annual reports are due May 15th.

2022-2024 cohort – Planning for the next cohort is underway. Applications will be open in a month and due by the end of May with the course beginning the first part of September. Providers must be an EMT by the first session of class, but may apply and be working through the process while in EMT class or testing.



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EMS Class Update in Allegany/ Garrett County

Report Date: April 2022

Class	Log Number	Location	Start Date	Days	# Students	Status
EMT	-	Cresaptown	8/17/21	T/Sat	13	Completed
EMR	-	Rawlings	11/7/21	Sun	2	Completed
EMR	-	Orleans	1/9/22	Sun	12	NREMT Testing
EMT	-	SGCRS Station 9	1/18/22	W/Sun	12	Active
EMR	-	Kitzmiller	2/17/22	M/Th/Sat	6	Active
EMT Refresher	-	Cresaptown	2/20/22	Sun	14	Completed
EMT	-	Cresaptown	3/12/22	W/Sat	15	Active
EMT Skills	-	Cresaptown	3/21/22	M/Th	(4)	Canceled
EMT Refresher	EMS-203-S062-2022	GCCTTC	5/21/22	Sat/Sun	(10)	Open/ Active

Notes:

1. Numbers in parentheses indicate total preregistered students
2. *red color, bold, and italicized font indicates additional enrollment needed for class to start

Additional Information

1. Renovation project at WMRTC is progressing well. On target for completion in fall 2023
2. Fall Courses will soon be posted on the MFRI website.
3. We will be starting to use the Garrett County EOC from more training.



Emergency Medical Services for Children

Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems



Maryland EMS for Children Department Update: March 2022

What's NEW:

	<p>EMSC Updates</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2022 National EMS for Children EMS Survey launched on January 5, 2022. Maryland EMSC is holding "Office Hours" to provide clarification and support to the JEMSOP and look forward to the Pediatric EMS Champions completing the survey. 2. C4 Pediatrics launched on October 1, 2021 to provide 24/7 consultation and assistance with transferring pediatric patients to both acute and critical care beds.
	<p>Safe Kids Buckle Up (CPS): CPS Technician courses are scheduled for 2022; both in person and virtual car seat checks continue.</p> <p>Bike Safety Project: New displays have been distributed and spring helmet orders will start.</p> <p>Safe Kids Maryland Meetings will be March 2, 2022 & Sept. 7, 2022 following PEMAC.</p>

Advocacy:

- **Right Care When It Counts & Star of Life:** 2022 Awards nomination form is online www.miemss.org on the Documents tab. Online SmartSheet format is "LIVE" and easy to use. **DUE DATE: Friday, March 25, 2022.**
- **#MDPANDAFAN – (EMSC Family Advisory Network Council):** FAN council is developing an educational project to increase awareness of SUID risks and steps to create a Safe Sleep Environment.
- **Risk Watch Injury Prevention –EMSC, Safe Kids MD and Risk Watch teams** are planning for the 2022 MSFA Convention "Steps to Safety". **April 2, 2022** (Saturday) is the date for the Public Fire & Life Safety Educator seminar that is currently scheduled to be in person at MFRI.
- **CPS Resources and Training:** are available for EMS, ED and Nursery/ NICU. Contact cps@miemss.org.
- **Outdoor Temperature Displays –**The displays are kept at MIEMSS, Cecil County DES, Prince George's County Fire & EMS, and Meritus Medical Center/ Safe Kids Washington County. Email cps@miemss.org for more information and check out the You Tube short training on how to utilize the displays.
- **Bike Safety/ Helmets** grant from MHSO continues to work with Safe Kids Coalitions & Partners providing educational materials and bike helmets (all ages). A new outdoor safety display has been received for in person or drive through helmet education and distribution. Email bikesafety@miemss.org for more information.

Pediatric Education EMS and Emergency Department Professionals:

- ✍️ **2022 EMS Conferences** dates and platforms are under discussion. EMSC will offer PEPP 4 hybrid course @ Winterfest conference and is scheduling more courses to occur quarterly in 2022. As of 1/14/2022 both conferences will have virtual online lectures for the main conference programs available through MIEMSS Online Training Center.
- ✍️ **ENA CPEN** review courses for 2021 were "On Demand" and "Virtual". EMSC is planning an in person course in the fall of 2022.
- ✍️ **PEPP 4th Edition (2020) Hybrid** instructor / faculty webinar was held in September and will be posted in early 2022.

Pediatric EMS Champions: Full 2022 schedule of meetings has been distributed. Champion Workshop will be held in Ocean City May 12 & 13 2022 prior to EMS Care 2022 (both In Person!) Moulage course that was scheduled for January 21, 2022 has been postponed again due to safety concerns and staffing needs for EMS & ED. Email pepp@miemss.org for more information about Champions.

EMSC National Assessments (Surveys): **NPRP (Hospital) Assessment 2021** was open from May– July with 100% of Maryland EDs participating. Maryland EMSC is gathering the names for the Pediatric ED Champions, nurse and physician, and will schedule quarterly meetings starting this spring.

For more information please call the Maryland EMS for Children office at 410-706-1758
Website: www.miemss.org look under departments, Click on EMS for Children

Never leave your child alone in cars/heatstroke prevention display



- 80" display can be borrowed from MIEMSS and other locations. Or, can be purchased through www.safekidsdisplays.com for approximately \$2,000 (old display shown here; new design is a tripod).
- Magnet signs for on the vehicle: can be borrowed from MIEMSS. Or can be purchased for approximately \$35 each; contact cps@miemss.org for details.
- Also needed: 100 foot extension cord. Handouts– master copies available from cps@miemss.org



Car magnet designs:

