



## Region III Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

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### Region III EMS Advisory Council

November 29, 2017

#### Agenda

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Chair Report Chief Alex Perricone
  - A. Review of Minutes
  - B. Correspondence
  - C. Next Meeting – January 24, 2018
- III. Program Reports Roger Simonds  
Dr. Richard Alcorta  
Jeff Huggins  
Cyndy Wright Johnson  
Randy Linthicum  
Jon Bratt
  - A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update
  - B. State EMS Medical Director Report
  - C. MIEMSS Region III Report
  - D. Maryland EMSC Report
  - E. MIEMSS Emergency Operations
  - F. MIEMSS Regional Programs
- IV. Committees Paul Massarelli  
Christina Hughes  
Tim Chizmar, MD
  - A. Emergency Education Council
  - B. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition
  - C. Region III Medical Directors
- V. Prevention Activities Council Membership
- VI. Old Business
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- VIII. Regional Roundtable Reports
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    1. Annapolis
    2. Anne Arundel
    3. Baltimore City
    4. Baltimore County
    5. BWI
    6. Carroll
    7. Harford
    8. Howard
  - B. Health Depts.
  - C. Hospitals



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1. AAMCB
2. BWMC
3. Bon Secours
4. Carroll
5. Franklin Square
6. Good Sam
7. GBMC
8. Harbor
9. HMH
10. HCGH
11. JHB
12. JHH
13. JHPeds
14. Marcy
15. Northwest
16. Shock Trauma
17. Sinai
18. St. Agnes
19. St. Joseph's
20. Union Memorial
21. UMMC
22. UMMC Midtown
23. Upper Chesapeake

- D. Commercial Ambulance
- E. MSP
- F. MCAC
- G. Training Institutions / MFRI
- H. MEMA

#### IX. Adjourn

#### Call-in information:

Please join my meeting. [REDACTED]

Join the conference call. Phone: [REDACTED]

Conference Code: [REDACTED]



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#### Minutes

##### **In attendance via phone:**

Robert Asamoah (Northwest), Terrance Baker (Good Samaritan), Cynthia Balmaceda (Howard County General), Tracy Barresi (St. Agnes), Joe Brown (Carroll Hospital), Kathi Burroughs (Union Memorial), Marissa Chandler (Harbor), Tim Chizmar (Region III Medical Director), Susan Cochrane (BPMC), Cindy Cohen (Mercy), Christine Deckard (Harford Memorial), Sara Delkhoon (UMMC Midtown), Bill Deloriers (St. Joseph's), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS Region III), Bill Dousa (Harford County), Linda Dousa (Harford County), Mark Dubel (Anne Arundel County), Martha Hill (Sinai), Jeffrey Huggins (MIEMSS Region III), Christina Hughes (Franklin Square), Paula Justice (Johns Hopkins), Richard Lichenstein (Region III Pediatric Medical Director), Rae Oliveira (MIEMSS Licensure & Certification), Jennifer Osik (Upper Chesapeake), Chad Packard (BWI Airport Fire & Rescue), Rich Schenning (Baltimore County), Patty Sherman (AAMC), Laura Taylor (Johns Hopkins Bayview), Alex Perricone (Chair/Baltimore City), Robert Vaccaro (Anne Arundel County), Curtis Wiggins (Carroll County), Jeff Willats (Baltimore County EMS), Cyndy Wright-Johnson (MIEMSS EMSC)

I. **Welcome & Introductions:** Chef Perricone welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. **Chair Report - Chief Alex Perricone:** The minutes from the September 27, 2017 meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made and passed by Terry Baker and Kathi Burroughs. Corrections were noted for EMSC Report after the motion: #4 – Federal EMS Survey, not EMC; #6 – High Performance CPR protocol has been approved by PEMAC and PRC. The expanded protocol will go to the EMS Board in December. This protocol will go into effect July 1, 2018 with all other protocol changes. The training for HP CPR with pediatric pit crews will begin with conferences from January – June of 2018. These corrections have been made and have been posted on the MIEMSS website <http://miemss.org/home/Documents/miemss-open-meetings> as well as distributed in e-mail. Captain Aaron Edwards is now EMS Director for Annapolis City, taking over for Dan Grimes. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 1:00pm in MIEMSS Conference Room 212.

##### III. **Program Reports**

A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update - Roger Simonds:

1. No report; Not present for the meeting

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

1. MIEMSS is currently working on a report for the Legislature on funding for MIH programs and looking at plans to improve admitting times for each hospital to help with overcrowding in their emergency departments.



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2. MIEMSS Executive Director search is ongoing with assistance of a national search firm. The search could last from 6 to 8 months.
  3. Baltimore City is in the process of implementing alternative designation of urgent care
  4. MIEMSS, along with the Maryland Opioid Operational Command Center and the Maryland Behavioral Health Administration, is looking at reimbursement for patients who have been administered naloxone within a certain time frame for approximately \$20-\$50/unit.
- C. MIEMSS Region III Report - Jeff Huggins:
1. The Region III written report was distributed at the meeting and electronically and in meeting. A copy is included in the minutes.
- D. Maryland EMSC Report - Cyndy Wright Johnson:
1. The EMSC report was distributed at the meeting and electronically and in meeting. A copy is included in the minutes.
  2. Applications for Maryland Star of Life Awards and Right Care When It Counts are on the MIEMSS website ([www.miemss.org/home/emsc/right-care](http://www.miemss.org/home/emsc/right-care)).
  3. High-Performance CPR was approved by the Protocol Review Committee and will go to the EMS Board for their approval in December. If approved, it will go into effect in July 2018.
  4. Focus group will meet on December 6<sup>th</sup> at MIEMSS
- E. MIEMSS Emergency Operations - Randy Linthicum:
1. No report; not present for the meeting
- F. MIEMSS Regional Programs - Jon Bratt:
1. No report; not present for the meeting
- IV. **Committees**
- A. Emergency Education Council - Paul Massarelli – Jeff Huggins reported that planning is underway for EMS Care 2018.
- B. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition - Christina Hughes:
1. The Region III Health & Medical Coalition written report was distributed at the meeting and electronically and in meeting. A copy is included in the minutes.
  2. Tom Jeffers will be vice-chair for the Coalition.
- C. Region III Medical Directors - Tim Chizmar, MD:
1. Reminded the group on the upcoming Triage Tag days on January 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
  2. Welcomed Captain Aaron Edwards from Annapolis City; taking over for Captain Dan Grimes.
  3. QA aggregate report will be updated to be more clinically relevant. Stroke is one of the items that will be added to the report.
  4. EMEDs Elite program has begun in some jurisdictions.
  5. Base Station Coordinators meeting was held in October at MIEMSS
- V. **Prevention Activities - Council Membership:** None to report



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VI. **Old Business** – none to report

VII. **New Business** – none to report

VIII. **Regional Roundtable Reports**

A. EMS

1. Annapolis – not present for meeting
2. Anne Arundel
  - a) Operative/IQ Narcotic Inventory and Tracker System hopefully going on line by the beginning of the year.
  - b) Medical Director and EMS Supervisors are utilizing Code Stat to “Hot Wash” PIAs of Cardiac arrest as time and opportunities present.
3. Baltimore City
  - a) Will have an EMS Class starting on March 18<sup>th</sup>
  - b) Working on a program to include a nurse and new ambulance units
  - c) Continue to work on their MIH policy
4. Baltimore County
  - a) Rolling out a new device around mid-January
5. BWI
  - a) Barbara Lowman retired on November 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - b) Awaiting appointment date for an Captain
6. Carroll – nothing to report
7. Harford
  - a) Process of interviewing and testing applicants continues for Surge Unit that will begin on January 1<sup>st</sup>.
8. Howard – not present for meeting

B. Health Depts. – Not present at the meeting

C. Hospitals

1. AAMC
  - a) Yellow alerts have been reduced by 68%
2. BWMC – nothing to report
3. Bon Secours – not present for meeting
4. Carroll – nothing to report
5. Franklin Square – nothing to report
6. Good Samaritan
  - a) Will host a Base Station course on December 20<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 1pm
7. GBMC – nothing to report
8. Harbor – nothing to report
9. HMM – nothing to report
10. HCGH – nothing to report
11. JHB
  - a) Will have a Topics in EMS class on Thursday, May 24 from 7:30am to 4:00pm



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12. JHH – nothing to report
  13. JHPeds – not present for meeting
  14. Mercy – nothing to report
  15. Northwest
    - a) New front-end process to take place
    - b) Donna Hamlet has been named new ED Director and Angela Watkins is the new EMS Director
  16. Shock Trauma
    - a) Hosting an evening broadcast on December 6<sup>th</sup>
    - b) Equipment available for pick-up
  17. Sinai – not present for meeting
  18. St. Agnes – nothing to report
  19. St. Joseph's – nothing to report
  20. Union Memorial
    - a) Reminded everyone that the hospital is not a foot and ankle trauma center
  21. UMMC – not present for meeting
  22. UMMC Midtown – nothing to report
  23. Upper Chesapeake
    - a) Hosting a Base Station class on February 20, 2018; information on the MIEMSS website
- D. Commercial Ambulance – Not present at the meeting  
E. MSP - Not present at the meeting  
F. MCAC - Not present at the meeting  
G. Training Institutions / MFRI - Not present at the meeting  
H. MEMA - Not present at the meeting

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#### MIEMSS Region III Office Written Report to Council November 29, 2017

**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 were distributed and due back by COB November 21<sup>st</sup>. Applications are currently under review for prioritization, and will then be forwarded to Regional Affairs.

**ALS Funding Grants:** FY2018 requests were received, and funding allocated by the Emergency Education Council. Jurisdictions should expect to receive their agreements shortly.

**EMS Care 2018:** EMS Care 2018 will take place April 25-29, 2018 at the Clarion Resort in Ocean City, MD. The planning committee is being assembled to begin work on this year’s conference.

**Voluntary Ambulance Inspection Programs:** Harford County VAIP’s are planned for December. Any jurisdictions needing to schedule VAIPS for 2018 should contact the Region III Office.

**MIEMSS Emergency Operations:** Region III continues to collaborate with Emergency Operations on the regional Ambulance Strike Team (AST).



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#### **Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition Report to the MIEMSS Region III EMS Advisory Council November 29, 2017**

The 2018 triage tag dates will continue quarterly starting in January. The October compilation revealed the same trends as before. Lack of age, chief complaint, medic unit, arrival time, as well as the backs of tags being left blank.

WebFUSION has gone away as most of the Region moves to the State WebEOC system. There is a similar board available to use for health and medical coalition purposes. Work on gaining access for all health and medical partners continues.

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

A subcommittee continues to meet to work on specific items identified as next steps for Coalition development. The final proposal and logistics for support are being finalized.

Ebola tabletop held at the HPP regional meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup>. Partners expressed concerns over waste management procedures still being unclear.

Work has culminated on BP5 HPP projects: a water filtration system, incident rehab pod, resource management plan update, evacuation implementation plan, website sustainment, active assailant kits, and recovery plan.

Many partners attended a training opportunity at the CDP in Alabama November 13-17<sup>th</sup>.

The Coalition has developed a website. It is almost complete. Invites for the member only portal will be sent soon.

The next Region III Health & Medical Coalition meeting is scheduled for December 11, 2017.

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. Initial discussions with CRISP partners have occurred.

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





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**Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition  
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(Continued)**

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. Await delivery of additional materials for the cache.

Members of the UASI and Coalition met with GBMC to discuss the future of the Region III Alternate Care Site at GBMC as GBMC performs a master facility assessment of all space. The Coalition provided further supporting documentation to GBMC and present to their Senior Administration team. At this time, it appears that the ACS will co-exist with the GBMC gym while a new gym is constructed starting in February 2018 and culminating no longer than 24 months from then.

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

Initial feedback received on our HPP regional application.

Tom Jeffers from Carroll Hospital Center has been elected Vice Chair.