



Region III Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

Providing Emergency Medical Care to Metropolitan Baltimore

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July 24, 2024 | 1:00 PM

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Minutes

Attendance

Todd Abramovitz (MIEMSS), Ami Ayers (Baltimore Washington Medical Center), Mark Bilger (MIEMSS), Lorrin Barton (Sinai Hospital), Joseph Brown (Carroll Hospital Center), Kathi Burroughs (Union Memorial), Tim Chizmar, MD (MIEMSS EMS State Medical Director), Eric Cohn (Howard County), Elwood Conway (Johns Hopkins Bayview), Lauren Cox (St. Joseph's Medical Center), Christine Deckard (Upper Chesapeake Medical Center – Aberdeen), Jennifer Denault (Johns Hopkins Peds), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS), Ethan Freyman (BWI Airport Fire & Rescue), James Gannon, Ashlyn Gill (Mercy Medical Center), Rebecca Gilmore (Shock Trauma), Lauren Greer (Union Memorial), Miranda Hartman, Christina Hughes (Franklin Square), Dwayne Kitis (MIEMSS), Danielle Knatz (Baltimore County), Anna Lennox (Good Samaritan), James Matz (Baltimore City), Amanda McCartney (Johns Hopkins Hospital/Johns Hopkins Bayview), Raymond McRae (Annapolis City), Jonathan Moles (Lifebridge Health), John Ortlieb (Annapolis City), Jennifer Osik (Upper Chesapeake), Luis Pinet-Peralta (MIEMSS Region III), John Richter, Laura Roth (St. Agnes), David Sabat (Chair/Howard County), Linas Saurusaitis (BWI Airport Fire & Rescue), Christopher Shannon (Howard County), Mustafa Sidik (MIEMSS Region III), Douglas Sward, MD (Upper Chesapeake), Trish Tuck (Mercy Medical Center), Shawn Turtle (Acute Care Solutions), Robert Vaccaro (Anne Arundel County), Danielle Warren (Carroll County), Mary Ellen Wilson, Cyndy Wright-Johnson (MIEMSS EMSC), Eric Zaney (Carroll County)

I. **Opening Remarks – Christopher Shannon:** Chief David Sabat welcomed everyone to the meeting. Minutes from the May 22, 2024 meeting was distributed to everyone to review and approve. The minutes were motioned to approve by Danielle Knatz and Ethan Freyman. Minutes were approved as written.

II. **Chair Report - Christopher Shannon:** There are no correspondences for the meeting. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 1:00pm and will be held virtually.

III. Program Reports

A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update – Danielle Knatz

1. SEMSAC did not meet this month. The next meeting will take place on Thursday, August 1st.

B. State EMS Medical Director Report – Dr. Chizmar

1. Dr. Chizmar thanked everyone in the region for their patience during the Microsoft outage last Thursday evening and Friday morning.



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2. eMEDs system was down from overnight Thursday until 9:30am Friday morning. Clinicians were not able to enter reports at the time and were able to after the outage ended.
 3. Protocols are now out and they are also printed. Spiral copies are also available. No pocket protocols are available.
 4. BDLS Committee of SEMSAC has done tremendous work on state content for the next research cycle for ALS, CRTs and paramedics.
 5. Currently interviewing for the new Director for Office of Clinician Services.
 6. EMT renewal date has been moved to July 31st. For the next two renewal cycles, the continuing education cycle will not change.
 7. Several hospitals have done significant work on transfer of care times.
 8. Protocol Review Committee have come up with proposals for 2025: antibiotic for open fractures, treatment for hypertensive emergencies of pregnant patients, alcohol withdrawal of using Midazolam.
 9. Clinicians are to be encouraged to run monitor self-tests after the monitor is checked for DSD and the monitor still works.
 10. Discussion to be discussed in the August JAC meeting about House Bill 404 – Gabriel’s Law – when a person calls a PSAP and request a wellness check and the dispatch process and it’s identified that there is a life threatening condition, police and Fire and EMS are sent.
 11. eMEDs Steering Committee met recently and looking to clean up with the primary and secondary impression lists.
- C. MIEMSS Region III Report – Luis Pinet-Peralta
1. The Region III Report to the Council was distributed electronically and to those in attendance. A copy is attached in the minutes.
- D. Maryland EMSC Report – Cyndy Wright-Johnson
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- E. EMS Preparedness and Ops – Randy Linthicum/Jeff Huggins
1. Todd Tracey is the new MIEMSS Emergency Preparedness Operations Coordinator.

IV. Committees

- A. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition - Christina Hughes
1. The Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition was distributed electronically and to those in attendance. A copy is attached in the minutes.
- B. Transportation – Christopher Shannon
1. The Transportation Committee did not meet this month.
 2. Chief Shannon asked the committee for their feedback on putting the Region III Transportation Committee on hold for now. Chief Danielle Knatz is the Chairperson of the new Metro Chiefs Committee.
- C. Region III Medical Directors - Matt Levy
1. No report
- D. Emergency Education Council of Region III - Jeff Sexton



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1. Not present for report

V. Old Business

- A. No report

VI. New Business

- A. No report

VII. Regional Roundtable Reports

A. EMS Operations

1. Baltimore County

- a) Most of the Region III's Transportation .Committee are represented in the Metro Chiefs Committee meeting
- b) Working on CPR life kits and will have more information in the next council meeting.
- c) Having CAD backlog issues and some eMEDs reports are not appearing
- d) Recently graduated a class of EMT Firefighters. Currently have 2 classes and are being tested this week
- e) Currently have a class of 7 paramedics going for background checks and medicals. They will start in early September.

B. Hospitals

1. Union Memorial

- a) Staff has to turn off all medic units when inside the ambulance bay for the exhaust going straight into the waiting room.

2. Shock Trauma

- a) EMS broadcast on Saturday, August 3rd at 6:00pm on Resuscitation Under Pressure.
- b) Johns Hopkins Hospital/Johns Hopkins Bayview
- c) Please pick up pediatric backboards from area hospitals.

C. Commercial Ambulances

1. Not present for report

D. Commercial Ambulance Services

1. Not present for report

E. MSP

1. Not present for report

F. Training Instructions/MFRI

1. Not present for report

G. MDEM

1. Not present for report

VIII. Meeting Adjourned