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## Region V EMS Advisory Council General Membership Meeting Agenda

MFRI Southern Maryland Training Center  
10375 Audie Ln, La Plata, MD 20646  
20 December 2018  
1300-1500

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### Meeting Agenda:

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Review of Minutes
- III. Report of Chairman
- IV. Medical Director's Report
  - a. State Medical Director
  - b. Region V Medical Director's Report
- V. MIEMSS Report
- VI. Old Business
  - a. AEMT Consensus Statement
- VII. New Business
  - a. 2019 Region V EMSAC Meeting Schedule
  - b. Matching Grant Recommendations (50/50 grants)
- VIII. Announcements
- IX. Regional Round Table



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### **In Attendance:**

Mark Pettit, Rebecca Vasse, Dr. Terry Jodrie, Danielle Lewis, Craig Smith, Chief John Dimitriadis, Chief Alan Butsch, Paul Baker, Paul Alsobrooks, Capt. Nicole Duppins, BTC. Leonard Simmons, Dawn Leukhardt, Emily Dorosz, Cyndy Wright Johnson, Michael Cooney, Dr. Luis Pinet Peralta, Dr. David Lane, ADC Ernest Linqvist

### **By Phone:**

Dr. Chizmar, Meg Hanley Medstar Montgomery, Priay Kuppusamy Laurel, Shady Grove Dr. Buzy, Erin Parks, Dr. Mike Millin, Kevin Reed, Mestar Southern MD. Marissa Trantin, Paul Baker, Holy Cross; Suburban Hospital, Roger Stone, Mike Oxenford, Patricia Gabriel, Suburban; Rebeca Hazel, Calvert; Susan Gonzales & Dr. Karen Keller-Baker, PGHC

### **I. Welcome & Introductions**

- a. Chief Butsch detained as well as Chief Frankel. Mark Pettit moved to appoint Michael Cooney to preside over the meeting until Chief Butsch can arrive. Seconded by Captain Lori Cherry, Approved by verbal vote.

### **II. Review of Minutes from 09/20/2018 Meeting: Accepted.**

### **III. Report of Chairman, Chief Alan Butsch: Deferred to later due to Chief's inability to attend.**

- a. Worked on the legislature stuff. Able to provide valuable data on MIHC.
- b. New Chair & Vice-Chair
  - i. Butsch: Honored & humbled to serve and is willing to continue but is more than happy to yield.

### **IV. Medical Directors' Reports:**

- a. State Medical Directors: Dr. Tim Chizmar
  - i. Memo on providence: Teating it like an urgent care. No 911xports
  - ii. As of January 1, Laurel Regional Hospital will convert to a freestanding medical facility. Memo forthcoming.
  - iii. New 2019 Protocols coming: Most significant: Needle decompression moving to anterior axillary line
  - iv. 50/50 grants: Including Mechanical CPR Devices Still evaluating whether to include
  - v. EMEDS ELITE Rollout nearly complete and by and large successful.
  - vi. NREMT: Frederick County Academy has had success rates at 82-100%. Working with MFRI to pilot 3 different course using their model.
  - vii. All requests for Scene aviation should go through SYSCOM (Reminder)
    - 1. ALL commercial services meet the same weather conditions as MSP.



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- viii. EMEDS-CRISP Integration: Data will be available to EMSOPs after they sign. Valuable for MICH
  - ix. Naloxone Leave Behind: Charles St. M & Calvert Anyone else?
    - 1. Dr. Stone: On board via Montgomery Department of Health
    - 2. Heather Howes: Calvert is not participating
    - 3. Chief Lindqvist: PGFD not participating
    - 4. Email Forthcoming from Mike Reynolds for deployment numbers, dosages, etc. quarterly on number of doses & Number of Kits.
      - a. Chief Davidson: St. Mary's added a service defined question about Leave behind
      - b. Dr. Chizmar: That's fine. We chose not to do it state-wide due to other jurisdictions not wanting it. It is totally acceptable for St. Mary's to do it.
    - 5. Reimbursement Naloxone Grant: Renewed next Year. Managed by Charles Dorsey.
    - 6. Provide & ensure you're sharing data with Health Depts. on overdoses: Vetted through AGs office as not a HIPPA violation and the state is encouraging the sharing to help follow up with the patients for treatment.
  - x. Dr. Delbridge will be joining Feb 13<sup>th</sup>. Intend to bring him to the March meeting.
- b. Region V Medical Director Report, Dr. Roger Stone: Thank you for coming in person. Good showing for the meeting, happy holidays and happy New Year.
- i. Old Business
    - 1. Opioid Command Center: Leave behind Narcan :Covered by Chizmar
    - 2. Nationwide shortages:
      - a. We're waiting for Ketamine: any word Dr. Chizmar?
      - b. Dr. Chizmar. Shortages are rotating: we're trying to keep track
    - 3. Work group SB 682 in new session: Report to legislators due in December
      - a. Interested in the progress (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of January) Subcommittee's favorable verbal approval of the no transport pay, ALS intercept & MIHC. Bill was put into the study committee.
      - b. Report was due in Dec: Can Dr. Chizmar enlighten us?
      - c. Dr. Chizmar: Group is still meeting. Last meeting was cancelled. Will continue to meet to support the mandate. Pat Gainer attends & she & Dr. Chizmar can continue to provide updates.
    - 4. BCFD newest MIHC trial of treat and release is limited in its enrollment thus far
      - a. Came to the PRC to get approval of their alternate destination: A trial of advanced practice providers in EMS to treat & release. Might help to monitor their practice.
    - 5. AEMT → We are releasing our position statement for review
    - 6. MSFA Support of rescinding of national initial certification exam (EMT)? Next steps: Clarify the news from Frederick on the push to remove NREMT
      - a. Dr. Chizmar: MFRI, MSFA & MIEMSS are now meeting longitudinally to ensure all three agencies are on the same page



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- b. MSFA meeting in November. Some board members oppose.
  - c. Several members have stated that they don't think the problem is the test itself but the programming & logistics to support candidates in preparing and taking the tests. Director Michael Cox of MFRI will look into making MFRI sites Pearson-VUE testing sites.
  - d. Overwhelming consensus is that the test is acceptable but the logistical barriers are onerous with success rates dropping after 120 days.
  - e. Biggest step forward by Frederick has been introduction of computer based and adaptive learning from the first module and all the way through the course w/ instructors monitoring their progress and quizzes.
7. Executive Search: Dr. Delbridge: Got to know Dr Delbridge through the national EMS association. One of the "Fathers" of EMS oversight. Involved since the 80s in increased Physician involvement. Key mover & shaker for the EMS Agenda for the Future in the 80s. "He's just a darned nice guy: approachable, accessible and a good listener."
  8. Monthly Montgomery County Health Partners Meetings 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays, Next 1/24/19 2PM
  9. Still invited to Montgomery County QA Officer Swap and Share 2nd Thurs of even months 11AM
- ii. **New Business**
1. EMS Agenda 2050 National Implementation forum: Two sessions on website
    - i. <http://emsagenda2050.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/EMS-Agenda-2050-National-Implementation-Forum-Agenda-FINAL.pdf>
    - ii. Caroline County EMS Med Director, Dr. Krohmer, as well as Dr. Delbridge, are leaders in this field
  2. Mandatory Counseling for patients prescribed maintenance meds for Drug Dependence: Amongst other things: proposal would limit the prescribed amount of opioids to a 6 day supply: mostly suboxone
  3. Executive order: Creating the Heroin/Opioid Coordinating Council (HOCC) Several stakeholders involved to coordinate a more comprehensive policy making. Amendment of the original declaration
  4. Proposed Detention of Individuals in Danger of Overdosing: Do we have a thought? A version of an emergency psychiatric order to hold pts against will: Does that have a big effect on EMS/ED overcrowding? We should be aware of this upcoming legislation proposal. Do we want to take a tone (Cautionary) on this matter, Dr. Chizmar?
    - a. Chizmar: We don't know where the bill actually stands. There are a lot of bills early but we need to find out if it will live past the initial session.
    - b. Dr. Stone: EMS should be at the table when that comes up. There is a well-intentioned push but EMS will be affected and we should have a voice in the decision
  5. ACEP EMS Chairperson: ACEP EMS Physician's committee: Dr. Chizmar has taken



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the chair.

6. Telephone CPR by RA/RQI: the practitioners of EMD in Cardiac Arrest have role in 4/5 links of the Chain of survival; Meeting took place last Thursday at Howard Co FRS one week ago. Introductory session on the value of the application of HPCPR & RA to Dispatch operations. How can we help support the roles of Dispatchers? All programs are welcome to participate as well as hospitals involved in the process as they may receive the ROSC patients.
7. Conversion of Hospitals to FEMF: Laurel set, Harford and Dorchester in pipeline
8. Tessa Smith? HOCC vs OOCC: Stone Chizmar: MEMA runs the OOCC. HOCC is a new council of stakeholders to help shape policy.

### **V. MIEMSS Report**

- a. **Dr. Pinet Peralta:** We continue to work with several councils in the NCR. Several upcoming events that will impact beyond Prince George's & Montgomery Counties because they impact the entirety of Region V.
- b. **Chief Davidson:** Specific to NREMT: Maryland handled the transition in a "spectacularly ham-handed fashion" largely in part due to friction among participants at MIEMSS, MSFA & MFRI. Negatively affects the impression on field providers as we fix these things. NREMT is not a problem. The problem is how Maryland handled the transition. Recognizing it will help move towards fixing.

### **VI. Old Business**

- a. AEMT Consensus Statement Final Vote
  - i. Correction: Remove "Assistant" In front of Dr. Chizmar.
  - ii. Moved by Dr. Geary Unanimous approval.

### **VII. New Business**

- a. 2019 Region V EMSAC Meeting Schedule
  - i. June 20 is a travel day for MSFA Convention
  - ii. December is a close to holidays
- b. Chief Davidson: Move to change meeting date to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday. Seconded by Dr. Geary. Carried.
- c. Calvert County offered to host the March Meeting.
- d. Matching Grant Recommendations (50/50 Grants)
  - i. Distribution agreed upon as below



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Agency	Request Equipment	Total Cost	50/50 Amount	Proposed Equip.	Proposed Distribution
Calvert County ALS	LP 15 (2)	\$ 87,272.56	\$ 43,636.28	LP 15 (0)	\$ -
St. Leonard VFRS (Calvert County)	LP1000 AED (10)	\$ 24,336.70	\$ 12,168.35	LP 1000 (7)	\$ 12,168.35
MCFRS	Lucas (2)	\$ 35,156.58	\$ 17,578.29	Lucas (2)	\$ 17,578.30
St. Mary's County ALS	LP 15 (5)	\$162,175.00	\$ 81,087.50	LP 15 (3)	\$ 51,229.05
Prince George's FD	LP 15 (1)	\$ 36,048.66	\$ 18,024.33	LP 15 (1)	\$ 18,024.30
<b>\$344,989.50</b>					<b>\$ 99,000.00</b>
<b>\$172,494.75</b>					<b>\$ 99,000.00</b>
<b>Total Available:</b>					<b>\$ 99,000.00</b>
<b>Remaining:</b>					<b>\$ -</b>

### VIII. Announcements

a. EMS Today is at National Harbor. Chief Butsch will be speaking about MIHC

### IX. Regional Round Table:

- Prince George's Health Department – New health officer. t
- Montgomery County Health Department - Not Present
- Charles County Health Department - Not Present
- Calvert County Health Department - Not Present
- St Mary's Health Department - Not Present
- Laurel Regional Hospital – Nothing to add.
- Prince George's Hospital – Susan Gonzales. Dr. Baker is taking over as Base Station Director. Laurel Regional is closing.
- Doctors Community Hospital – Nothing to report
- Fort Washington – Not present
- Medstar Southern MD – Dr. Reed: Nothing new. Continuing as base station Medical Director. Heads up: Possibly September: Major renovation of ED & Hospital. Will not change EMS Pts.
- Charles Regional –Not present
- Calvert Health – Not present
- Medstar St. Mary's Hospital – Not present Danielle Joy Back from Maternity Leave.
- Washington Adventist Hospital – Nothing to report
- Holy Cross Hospital – Nothing to report.
- HCH Germantown – Nothing to report
- Shady Grove Adventist – Dr. Buzy had to drop off.



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- Suburban – Nothing to report.
- MedStar Montgomery– Dr Jilson(sp?) will be taking over as Base station medical director. Application Pending to MIEMSS. New Computer documentation system. Thanks to the EMS providers.
- Children’s National Medical Center – August Pediatric EMS Symposium decided to do it again. Propose august 10 2019: Please alert to conflicts. Looking for topics & skill station suggestions. Please email Emily.
- EMSC – see attached report and handouts
  - Reports are online
  - Education conference list updating
  - PEMAC EMS Providers are welcome though this is heading towards being a Doctors & Nurses conference
  - Investing HP CPR With federal funds
  - Meritus is having a conference with CEUS available
  - HP CPR Rollouts are going on. Scores & Performance is dramatically improved. Location & Times will be forthcoming. Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of January and wed the 30<sup>th</sup> of January, Feb 15<sup>th</sup> at Calvert. Pares course is going on immediately after. Feb dates in Salisbury & Easton. Just before Miltonberger in Rocky Gap. PARES Will be Pre-Conference at Winterfest.
  - EMS Champions: Friday of EMS Care (April 26<sup>th</sup>) is the next training.
- Shock Trauma –
  - Not present
  - Pick up your backboards.
- Malcolm Grow – Not present
- Walter Reed – Not present
- MSP – Not Present
- US Park Police – Nothing to Report.
- MSFA – Not Present
- MFRI- Not present
- Prince George’s County Fire/EMS – ALS Service enhancements in January: Adding 3 Paramedic Ambulances. In discussion with Capitol Health to enhance MIH program to get NP and data analyst with undergrad interns and graduate research assistant.
- Montgomery County Fire/Rescue –
  - Able to roll out Leave behind Narcan program. Bulk of it is Duty officers. Only a “couple times’
  - MIEMSS: Concerns discussed with the Health information over consult channels. Full disclosure: issue in MCFRS with radio interface with State
  - Handtevy implementation in spring & roll into
  - MIH Positions hiring process are ongoing for program manager and data analyst.
  - Retired after 43 years: Records Management. Position is open.
  - Suburban hospital: Has a lot of accumulated equipment not from MCFRS.
- Calvert County EMS – final state of hiring division chief for career EMS.
- Charles County EMS – Flyer for advance CONTOMS course.
- St Mary’s County EMS – Working on converting decommissioned ambulance for mas casualty response with Charles County’s help.



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X. Adjourned.