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Regional Affairs Committee Meeting

Thursday, August 7, 2025

10:00am

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Agenda

- I. Call to order
 - a. Roll Call/Guest Introductions
 - b. Review of Past Minutes – June 5, 2025
- II. Update on FY 2025 Cardiac Devices Grants
- III. Announcements
- IV. New Business
- V. Regional Roundtable
 - a. Region I
 - b. Region II
 - c. Region III
 - d. Region IV
 - e. Region V
- VI. Next Meeting
 - a. Thursday, September 4, 2025 – 10:00am – Virtual
- VII. Adjournment



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In Attendance:

David Chisholm (Chair/Region II-Washington County), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS), Ben Kaufman (Region V-Montgomery County), Dwayne Kitis (MIEMSS), Luis Pinet-Peralta (MIEMSS Region III), Andy Robertson (MIEMSS Region V), Mike Salvadge (Region I-Allegany County), Wane Tiemersma (MIEMSS Region I and II), Christopher Truitt (Region IV-Wicomico County), Zach Yerkie (Region IV-Queen Anne's County)

Minutes

I. Call to order

- a. Chair David Chisholm welcomed everyone to the meeting and roll call was completed. Minutes from the June 5, 2025 meeting was sent to everyone for review and motion to approve. A motion was made from Zach Yerkie and Ben Kaufman. Minutes were approved as written.

II. Update on FY 2025 Cardiac Devices Grants

- a. The following companies/jurisdictions have received purchase orders for their devices:
 - i. Region I: All companies/jurisdictions have received purchase orders. Norther Garrett County Rescue Squad, Inc. are awaiting their cancelled check to submit for their reimbursement.
 - ii. Region II: All jurisdictions/companies have received purchase orders. Clear Spring VFC, Inc.'s order was lost. The AED order has been re-processed.
 - iii. Region III: All jurisdictions/companies have received their purchase orders. Anne Arundel County, Maryland, Baltimore City FD and Baltimore County have yet to receive reimbursements.
 - iv. Region IV: All jurisdictions/companies have received purchase orders or submitted award letters. Sharptown VFD and Marion Fire Department have submitted for reimbursement. North West FC, Inc. have submitted for reimbursement. Community Fire Company of Rising Sun have ordered their devices.
 - v. Zack Yerkie, EMS Chief in Queen Anne's County, will become the Region IV Council Chairman effective July 1st and will become part of the Regional Affairs Committee.
 - vi. Region V: All jurisdictions/companies have received their purchase orders. Hollywood VFD submitted their request for reimbursement. Montgomery County Government has ordered their supplies and has not been shipped.



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- vii. The amount for the FY 2026 cardiac devices grants will remain the same for each region and may change for FY 2027. The FY 2026 grant cycle will be distributed in the next meeting.

III. Announcements

- a. Chris Schafer has retired from Ocean City Fire Department and will work with Worcester County Emergency Services on August 11th.

IV. New Business

- a. No report

V. Regional Roundtable

- a. Region I
 - i. No report
- b. Region II
 - i. Washington County continues to move forward with their whole blood program
- c. Region III
 - i. No report
- d. Region IV
 - i. Somerset County is actively recruiting additional staffing and taken over Princess Anne Fire Department and moving into the county system.
 - ii. Lower Somerset will remain as an independent company.
- e. Region V
 - i. Montgomery County will celebrate one year with the whole blood program tomorrow.

VI. Next Meeting

- a. Thursday, September 4th at 10:00am Virtually.

VII. Meeting Adjourned