



**MEETING MINUTES**

EMS FOR CHILDREN Advisory Committee  
 Thursday, June 09, 2016, 9am  
 Webinar/ Conference Call

Committee Attendees:

- Louis Bellace
- Robert Carpenter
- Michael Guerra
- Stephen Hall
- Robert Hrabar
- Jenine Melo
- Amy Morgan
- Joseph Ponko
- Judy Pople
- Dr. Kimberly Roth
- Terry Snavely
- Duane Spencer

Staff:

Thomas Winkler

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Mr. Winkler called the meeting to order at 9:00am.	Mr. Stuart was unable to attend the meeting due to a family emergency.
<b>Minutes from Last Meeting</b>	No Discussion – moved by Dr. Roth; seconded by Mr. Guerra	Approved as Presented, Unanimous
<b><i>OLD BUSINESS</i></b>		
<b>Pediatric Symposium Webinar Series</b>	Mr. Winkler reported that the next webinar is scheduled for July 06, 2016 at 6pm. Dr. Minoj Mittal from St. Mary Health will be presenting on pediatric sepsis.  Mr. Winkler stated that the next scheduled date for presentation is August 04, 2016 at 6pm and that he was in search of a presenter.	Mr. Winkler will send out notification emails to promote the webinar and will work with the speaker to ensure a smooth show.
<b>Pediatric Voluntary Recognition Program</b>	Mr. Winkler provided an update on the program. Mr. Winkler reported that there were now 156 EMS agencies recognized under the program. Mr. Winkler reported that he has approved a significant number of new applications, that he has a handful of new applications awaiting approval, and that the annual review is scheduled for November.	The current list of recognized services is available under the “Current Projects” tab of the PA EMSC website ( <a href="http://www.paemsc.org">www.paemsc.org</a> ).

<b>CPR/First Aid Training in Schools</b>	Mr. Bohr was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Winkler reported that the AHA is working hard to get CPR training required for all high school students. Additionally, Mr. Winkler reported that there is pending legislation to require CPR training of high school students.	Mr. Winkler asked the Committee if they would support legislation or a specific program and the Committee answered in the affirmative.
<b>STABLE for the EMS Provider</b>	Mr. Winkler reported that another offering of the STABLE for the EMS Provider course will be offered on June 23, 2016 at Cetronia Ambulance Corps. Mr. Winkler thanked Cetronia and Mr. Spinnato for their support.	Mr. Winkler will send out notifications.
<b>A/T EMS Interaction Video</b>	Mr. Winkler reported that concrete progress is being made on the development of the video. Mr. Winkler reported that the goal is to have the video completed prior to the start of the fall school year.	Mr. Winkler will work with Dr. Shank to continue progress on the video.
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>		
<b>QI Collaborative &amp; ENA/EMSC Pilot Project Update</b>	Mr. Winkler and Ms. Morgan provided an update on the Collaborative. Mr. Winkler reported that he, Ms. Morgan, and Joyce Foresman-Capuzzi, RN, MSN, attended the collaborative session that included a dozen states working to create a pediatric facility recognition program for medical care in the E/D. Mr. Winkler reported that there was a plethora of information presented and that there is much work to be done. Ms. Morgan added that she was very excited to be working on the collaborative and would be reaching out to some of her contacts at Hershey Medical Center to assist with the development of the recognition program.	Mr. Winkler, with the assistance of Ms. Morgan and Ms. Foresman-Capuzzi will provide updates to the Committee on the progress of the development of the recognition program.
<b>Pediatric Safe Transport Device Considerations</b>	Mr. Winkler presented a draft VTR for the Committee's consideration that recommended the addition of the 'availability of a pediatric safe transport device' on all EMS vehicles capable of patient transport. Mr. Winkler reported that while PA EMSC has been strongly dedicated to pediatric safe transport, this specific recommendation has never been formally submitted to the Department of Health. Mr. Spencer asked about data related to EMS agencies already carrying a device – Mr. Winkler reported that the data is available and that he will add it to the VTR. Mr. Guerra asked about financial considerations and Mr. Winkler acknowledged that there is a financial concern related to this VTR but that the safety of the pediatric patient and the EMS provider outweigh the overall minimal costs to the EMS System.	Mr. Bellace moved to approve the VTR as amended, second by Dr. Roth, unanimous. Mr. Winkler will revise the VTR for presentation at the June 15 BOD Meeting.

<b>CPAP for Pediatric Patients in EMS</b>	Dr. Roth presented the topic as related to utilizing CPAP on the pediatric patient. Dr. Roth stated that she had two instances where providers were hesitant to utilize CPAP on pediatric patients because the protocol indicates that it is for patients age 14 years and older. Dr. Roth stated that the age consideration was only placed in the protocol as the MAC did not want to burden EMS agencies into having to purchase multiple sizes of CPAP masks that would be rarely used. Mr. Spencer suggested that perhaps a position paper or some other form of guidance be developed to give to both EMS providers and E/D staff to remind them that CPAP can be used on pediatric patients. Mr. Spencer offered to assist with the development of the paper using physicians at St. Christopher's.	Mr. Winkler will work with Mr. Spencer to develop the position paper and have a draft version ready for the next Committee meeting.
<b>Narcan use in Pediatric Patients</b>	Dr. Roth presented the topic and wondered about prescription Narcan for pediatric patients who have previously overdosed or who are at-risk of overdose. She wondered what the practice was across the state regarding prescription Narcan and if there are any reference guides. Mr. Bellace stated that he will reach out to his contacts at CHoP to get a clarification.	Mr. Winkler will distribute the document once he receives it from Mr. Bellace.
<b><i>PARTNER REPORTS</i></b>		
<b>BEMS</b>	No representative from the Bureau of EMS was present.	No report provided.
<b>PEHSC</b>	Mr. Winkler provided the report. Mr. Winkler reported that the conference is coming up in September and that registration is open. He reported that the EMS Awards nominations are due by June 30. He reported that the next BOD meeting is June 15.	
<b>SPROC</b>	No report provided.	
<b>EMS for Children Family Rep.</b>	No report provided.	
<b><i>OTHER BUSINESS</i></b>		
<b>Child Protector App</b>	Mr. Winkler asked the Committee members to review the app and provide opinions on if it would be beneficial to EMS personnel.	
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	MEETING ADJOURNED at 10:00am by Mr. Winkler (moved by Dr. Roth, second Mr. Spencer, unanimous). Next meeting will be on September 01, 2016 at 10am in person.	

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