



**MEETING MINUTES**

EMS FOR CHILDREN Advisory Committee  
 Thursday, March 03, 2016, 9am  
 Webinar/ Conference Call

Committee Attendees:

- Louis Bellace
- Stephen Bohr
- Conlen Booth
- John Englert
- Joyce Foresman-Capuzzi
- Kathy Gertler
- Ashley Graves
- Michael Guerra
- Stephen Hall
- Judy May-Bennett
- Jenine Melo
- Carla Miller
- Teresa Olsen
- Dr. Kimberly Roth
- Dr. Robert Shank
- Terry Snavely
- Duane Spencer
- Josh Stuart

Staff:

- Thomas Winkler
- Janette Swade

Other Guests:

- Dr. Peter Antevy
- Dr. Russell Bieniek
- Patrick Bavaro

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	Mr. Stuart called the meeting to order at 9:06am.	
<b>Minutes from Last Meeting</b>	No Discussion – moved by Dr. Roth; seconded by Mr. Bohr	Approved as Presented, Unanimous
<b><i>OLD BUSINESS</i></b>		
<b>Pediatric Symposium Webinar Series</b>	Mr. Winkler reported that there were two webinars held since the last meeting. The first presentation was on December 03, 2015 by Joyce Foresman-Capuzzi, entitled “When Mr. Yuk Meets Mr. Bubble” on pediatric decon, which had 78 attendees. The	

	<p>second presentation was on February 11, 2016 by Josh Stuart, entitled “The Choking Game: What EMS Providers Need to Know”, which had 161 attendees.</p> <p>Mr. Winkler reported that the next presentation is scheduled for April 07, 2016 and that he was still in need of a speaker.</p>	<p>Mr. Winkler will send out notification emails to promote the webinar and will work with the speaker to ensure a smooth show.</p>
<b>Pediatric Voluntary Recognition Program</b>	<p>Mr. Winkler provided an update on the program. Mr. Winkler reported that there were now 138 EMS agencies recognized under the program. Mr. Winkler reported that he has a significant number of new applications that he would be working to get through and that the annual review is scheduled for the November meeting.</p>	<p>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>).</p>
<b>Equipment Distributions</b>	<p>Mr. Winkler reported that the EMSC Program continues to distribute the pediatric-capable fingertip pulse oximeters. He asked that if any Committee member’s EMS agency is in need of pulse oximeters to contact him as there are about half a dozen left.</p>	<p>Mr. Winkler will continue on the distribution program.</p>
<b>CPR/First Aid Training in Schools</b>	<p>Mr. Bohr reported that there are multiple bills in draft form in the House and Senate that he is currently monitoring. He reported that there is a national push for requiring CPR in the high school. He also reported that a small E/R in the area had issues with not being prepared for an infant cardiac arrest.</p>	<p>Mr. Bohr will send Mr. Winkler the package. Mr. Winkler will notify Committee members of the package.</p>
<b>STABLE for the EMS Provider</b>	<p>Mr. Winkler reported that another offering of the STABLE for the EMS Provider course will be offered on March 24, 2016 at EMMCO West. Mr. Winkler thanked EMMCO West and Mr. Spinnato for their support.</p>	<p>Mr. Winkler will send out notifications.</p>
<b>Child Passenger Safety Technician Course</b>	<p>Mr. Winkler reported that he was contact by Pennsylvania Traffic Injury Prevention Project about offering a joint CPS Technician course specifically for EMS providers. Mr. Winkler reported that it will be offered at Cranberry Township EMS from April 5-8, 2016, and, if successful, EMSC may partner with other TIPP programs.</p>	<p>Mr. Winkler will send out notifications and continue to work with PA TIPP.</p>
<b><i>NEW BUSINESS</i></b>		
<b>Pediatric Trauma Lift Support</b>	<p>Mr. Winkler introduced Dr. Russell Bieniek, chairperson of the PTLS committee within ITLS. Mr. Bieniek presented to the Committee and reported that the PTLS course used to be offered regularly in PA but the number of instructors has dropped of significantly. To increase the number of instructors and begin to offer the course more regularly, Dr.</p>	<p>Moved by Dr. Shank, seconded by Mr. Bellace, unanimous, to provide financial support to the PTLS program.</p>

	<p>Bieniek requested funds to offer an instructor course to bring together instructors from across the state so that the course may be offered statewide. He also reported that they would offer the course at the state EMS conference.</p>	
<b>Core Content</b>	<p>Mr. Winkler reported that the Bureau of EMS requested both the EMSCAC and the PESHSC Education Task Force to make recommendations on the core content hours for EMS providers. The Education Task Force met first and provided a recommendation of a minimum of two hours of pediatric hours per registration cycle. Dr. Shank, co-chairperson of the task force, reported that this recommendation was the maximum the task force wished to recommend and this came after significant discussion.</p>	<p>Moved by Mr. Bohr, seconded by Dr. Shank, to support the recommendation made by the Education Task Force.</p>
<b><i>PARTNER REPORTS</i></b>		
<b>BEMS</b>	<p>Mr. Englert provided the report. Mr. Englert stated that there has been ongoing discussion about the core content. He reported that there is an EMS Safety Project rolling out statewide to offer the Traffic Incident Management course, as well as wellness programs. He reported that VTR responses have been returned to PEHSC and that there is now a third recognized program for CC-EMT-P.</p>	
<b>PEHSC</b>	<p>Ms. Swade provided the report. Ms. Swade reported that the next BOD meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2016. She reported that the MAC has approved the use of ketamine for the use in excited delirium. She reported that PEHSC is working on funding issues including providing testimony to a joint session of the House and Senate. She also reported that the VLAP program is being reviewed and there are multiple pieces of legislation that are being monitored by PEHSC.</p>	
<b>SPROC</b>	<p>No report provided.</p>	
<b>EMS for Children Family Rep.</b>	<p>No report provided.</p>	
<b>SCAN</b>	<p>Ms. Olsen reported that the SCAN EMS program remains in high demand. She thanked Mr. Winkler for sending out the program announcement via the PEHSC list.</p>	
<b>PA Safe Kids</b>	<p>Ms. Graves reported that their annual conference is upcoming on May 16, 2016, and that PEHSC will be sponsoring the EMS con-ed again this year.</p>	<p>Mr. Winkler will send out information about the conference.</p>
<b>ATS, PA Chapter</b>	<p>Ms. May-Bennett reported that the ATS conference is upcoming on April 20-21.</p>	<p>Mr. Winkler will send out information on the conf.</p>

***OTHER BUSINESS***

<b>Handtevy System</b>	Dr. Antevy provided a presentation on the Handtevy System for the Committee's consideration.
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<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	MEETING ADJOURNED at 10:30am by Mr. Stuart (moved by Mr. Bellace, second Dr. Shank, unanimous). Next meeting will be on June 09, 2016 at 9am via conference call/webinar.
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