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STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMS

Lake Ozark, MO

April 22, 2008

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Ruby Mehrer, RN  
Joan Eberhardt, RN  
Randy Davis, EMT-P  
Mark Alexander, EMT-P  
Vicki Groce, EMT-P

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Sam Schneider, EMT-P  
Wally Patrick, RN  
Ben Chlapek, EMT-P  
Judith Landvatter, RN  
Randall Sammons, EMT-P  
David Tan, MD  
Lynthia Andrews, DO

**GUESTS**

Jimm Murray  
Ken Koch  
Carol Pikey  
Heather Seemann  
Mark Malmberg  
Troy Mihalevich  
Michael McCart  
Gary Prasuhn  
Angela Elgin  
Jeff Hawkins  
David Allan  
John Romeo

Jay Faulkner  
Ken Smith  
Bob Patterson  
Jerry Kirchhoff  
Rande McCrary  
Tim Flake  
Marilyn Raulston  
Jay Faulkner  
Malissa Hembree  
Michael Krtek  
Sue Allen

Doug Randell  
Sharon Smith  
Eric Mills  
Jason White  
Ralph Hellebusch  
Gary Carmack  
Jim Cox  
William Breshears  
Chris Wilkens  
Marilyn Miederhoff  
Taz Meyer

**DHSS STAFF PRESENT**

Bill Jermyn, DHSS EMS Medical Director  
Jane Drummond, DHSS Director  
Paula Kempf, Unit of EMS  
Greg Natsch, Unit of EMS  
Jody Hyman, Unit of EMS  
Kelly Jenkins, Unit of EMS  
Jennifer Evans, Unit of EMS  
Karen Connell, DHSS

**Call to Order**

Mark Alexander called the meeting to order at 4:30.

**Approval of Minutes**

Could not approve the minutes from March at this time.

Jane Drummond discussed emergency preparedness planning. Nancie McAnagh would like to attend the next meeting to discuss special needs shelters, which is our most critical need in planning. Received guidance from the Federal level on our emergency plans. Ms. Drummond mentioned that

emergency units fall under a separate emergency support function from The Department of Health and Senior Services in an actual event. Nancie would like to get a work group together to discuss these items.

Dr. Joe Wackerly, who is working with SEMA in a consulting basis, has asked to come and discuss what SEMA has asked him to do and what his role is in working with SEMA and how it connects to emergency medical units.

## **SUBCOMMITTEES**

### **Legislative – Mark Alexander**

Met before the SAC meeting. Mentioned that the Legislature is in session. Subcommittee discussed several House Bills and Senate Bills, these were presented to SAC for support, they include:

Senate Bill 1790 – Stroke/Stemi – doing very well on both sides. Should pass out of Senate side next week. Jane mentioned that there have numerous news stories on this bill. Possible to get the news stories and send them to the local representatives.

Senate Bill 915/House Bill 1454 – Peer Review-waiting debates in the Senate. Potential to move forward this year.

Senate Bill 1044 – Modifies provisions regarding minimum ambulance staffing for ambulances staffed with volunteers. This affects 6 ambulances services in the state.

House Bill 2346 – Federal Reimbursement Allowance for Ground Ambulance Services. This will be an amendment to an existing Senate Bill.

Medicaid – EMS industry ground and air ambulance have been given additional General Revenue funds for fiscal year 2009, monies to be split 60% ground 40% air.

Changes were made to 19 CSR 30-40.303 involving the Scope of Practice.

### **Air Ambulance – Ruby Mehrer**

On April 12, 2008, an all day training class was held in Warrensburg, MO, with 5 Air Ambulance Units and 60 personnel in the audience. Some topics covered were: downed air craft and how to get the EMS personnel out, landing zone information, why the use of Air Ambulances, and a table top exercise on multiple air craft. The committee continues to work on Weatherturndown.com, just a few things that need to be worked out, have become aware that there is a need for a Memorandum of Understanding with the Highway Patrol to be able to use the frequencies that the personnel on the ground when there is multiple air craft incident. Next meeting will be May 27, 2008 at 9:00 AM.

### **Trauma – Dr. Jermyn**

Held an 8-hour session Monday Aprils 21, 2008, on Level IV Trauma Centers and the committee is ready to move forward to draft language for the Level IV Trauma Centers.

### **Education – Doug Randall**

A large number of things are happening in the education world, which is going to affect us in ways in the future for the better. Gathering information so in May the subcommittee hopes to have a conference call to get more personnel involved and move on some of the items that the committee is looking at today.

### **Public Information- Randy Davis**

Will be sending out a reminder about EMS Week, have a proclamation and Jane will try to get the proclamation on the Governors' calendar.

### **Communication Committee – Vicki Groce**

No meeting since the last SAC.

### **Pediatric Committee – Paula Kempf**

The pediatric committee met and discussed the sticker program with the pediatric equipment and protocols. The committee is working on setting language that will be more consistent so that we are all looking at it in the same fashion, and coming up with a checklist. The committee went over ideas on the EMS-C Grant on a pediatric conference in the future. Paula Adkison is in San Diego learning EMS-C data programs so she will be able to manipulate the data to share with all.

### **Time Critical Diagnosis Task Force – Dr. Bill Jermyn**

House Bill 1790 passed off the floor of the House and went to the Health and Mental Health Committee on the Senate side, with a hearing last Tuesday. It is currently still in committee. If this bill is successful, Missouri will be the first state to create through statute STEMI and Stroke centers.

Angela Elgin is on the committee for the National Advisory Council on EMS and would like to encourage personnel to join in a subcommittee or meeting to have state representation. Encouraged personnel to visit the FEMA website to see what committees are out there. The next National Meeting is May 12-14, 2008 in Chicago, IL.

Rande McCreary talked about the pledges made to the EMS Memorial. The Memorial committee has made a decision, but have not been told what that decision is. Rande thanked Jason White and Ruby Mehrer, for their tremendous effort to bring the EMS Memorial to Missouri.

## **REGIONS**

No updates at this time.

### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

### **Adjourn**

Mark Alexander adjourned the meeting at 5:00.

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Lynthia Andrews SAC Chair

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Date