

**NEVADA DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
Nevada Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Committee**

**MINUTES
November 29, 2018
12:00 PM**

VIA TELECONFERENCE

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Bologlu	Tina Smith	Andrew Eisen, M.D.
Stephanie Shadduck-Gilbert	David Slattery, M.D.	

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Cheri Sotelo

IN ATTENDANCE

Nicolette Johnston	Fergus Laughridge	Malinda Southard
Michael Klein	Evette Wintermute	Melissa Whipple
Christina Conti	Jay Fisher, M.D.	Yvette Wintermute
Susie Kotchevar		

1. Roll call and approval of June 7, 2018, minutes.

MOTION: Dave Slattery, M.D. motioned to approve the June 7, 2018, minutes.
SECOND: Stephanie Shadduck-Gilbert
PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

Public Comment: No Public Comment

2. Updates from the Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Advisory Committee members.

a. Mike Bologlu, EMSC Program Manager

Mike Bologlu announced that the program was able to hire a new employee that will be dedicating her time to the EMSC grant as the Program Manager. Her name is Nicolette Johnston. She just started last Monday and has started her training. Mike explained that he will maintain the Program Manager position until she gets up to speed on how to manage the grant.

b. Dr. Andrew Eisen M.D., Physician with Pediatric Training

Dr. Andrew Eisen did not have any updates to provide.

c. Dr. David Slattery M.D., Emergency Physician

Dr. David Slattery did not have any updates to provide.

d. Stephanie Shadduck-Gilbert, Paramedic, who is currently a practicing ground level prehospital provider.

Stephanie Shadduck-Gilbert did not have any updates to provide.

e. Tina Smith, EMSC Director/Principal Investigator

Tina Smith did not have any updates to provide.

f. Cheri Sotelo, Family Representative

Cheri Sotelo was not present to provide an update.

g. Secondary EMSC Board Members

Secondary EMSC Board Member did not have any updates to provide.

3. Updates from Mike Bologlu on the National Emergency Medical Services for Children Data and Resource Center, (NEDARC) Hospital Pediatric Preparedness Survey results for Performance Measures 04 through 07.

Mike explained that he just recently traveled to Philadelphia in September to attend the NEDARC meeting. He explained they have been sending out surveys and collecting data since 2013 that helps support performance measures 04 through 07. They completed an EMS Agency survey in 2017. In 2018 at the NEDARC meeting they passed out the hospital emergency department survey results. Mike included those results in the meeting packet for members to review. The results show what percentage has been met for performance measure 06, 78.6%, and performance measure 07, 64.3%. Mike asked the members to start brainstorming ways to increase these percentages in the future. Dr. Eisen asked Mike if there were any funds available to use to increase these percentages up over 90%. Mike clarified that the EMSC grant funds can be used to help support these performance measures, however, it is fairly limited to \$130,000 a year. He explained he is hoping with Nicolette's help they will be able to pursue other funding opportunities and vastly expand this program to meet all the performance measures. Dr. Eisen suggested developing a protocol that can be used as a template to help hospital that do not have a written interfacility transfer guideline in place. He said some of the larger hospitals already have these protocols in place and that could be a good place to start if any are willing to share them. Fergus Laughridge agreed with Dr. Eisen and also suggested working with Nevada Rural Hospitals to help get this information out to the hospitals that need it. Dr. Jay Fisher, M.D. explained he was preparing to attend the American Academy Chapter for Disaster Preparedness in September and completed a local survey to learn more about the interfacility transfer agreements currently in place. He said while he was mapping out different disaster scenarios for his region, he contacted the Clark County Emergency Management department, as well as, Dr. John Fildes and through those conversations he realized that emergency unloading of his facility has not been worked out. Dr. Eisen explained this scenario is another piece of this performance measure but that they are primarily trying to find ways to help the hospitals that do not have an interfacility transfer agreement currently, so they can develop one. He does agree this topic is something the committee should address eventually. Fergus informed the committee that Chris Lake, Preparedness Coordinator with the Nevada Hospital Association has addressed this situation and developed a master level agreement between the hospitals. He suggests reaching out to her for more information. Christina Conti said that even though there is a master level agreement she discourages focusing solely on that. She suggests reaching out to the Healthcare Coalitions because emergency managers and other representatives of healthcare organizations attend these.

4. Updates from Mike Bologlu on progress towards EMSC performance measures.

Mike provided the committee an update on the EMSC performance measures that were not discussed in the last agenda item. EMSC performance measure 01 is the submission of National Emergency Medical Services Information Systems (NEMSIS) compliant version 3.x data. He explained that the EMS program is implementing a new data system, ImageTrend, and it is expected to be live by June 30, 2019. Once ImageTrend is live, EMS staff will provide training EMS Agencies on how to submit data there. After training has been received and Agencies begin submitting their data to the new system, they will be a much better idea of who is submitting and who is not submitting data.

EMSC performance measure 02 relates to EMS Agencies that have a pediatric emergency care coordinator (PECC). Mike explained that according to a survey that was sent out in 2017 we are at 29% and need to be at 30% by 2020.

EMSC performance measure 03 is the percentage of EMS Agencies that have a process that requires EMS providers to physically demonstrate the correct use of pediatric equipment. Mike explained that we are currently at 31% and that exceeds the 2020 requirement of 30%.

EMSC performance measure 04 refers to hospital recognition for pediatric medical emergencies and 05 refers to hospital recognition for pediatric trauma. He explained they are limited on the data available to track this performance measure and asked for the members input if they have any.

EMSC performance measure 08 relates to the permanence of EMSC. Mike informed the committee again that Nicolette Johnston was hired on as the EMSC Program Manager and she will dedicate her time solely to the grant.

EMSC performance measure 09 is the integration of EMSC priorities into statutes or regulations. We have had limited progress on this measure, but it is new and there has been limited information on it.

No public comment.

5. Discuss and make recommendations on reorganizing current EMSC Advisory Committee member positions.

Mike explained that currently Dr. Slattery is serving as the Emergency Physician, but he could also fill another position. Mike suggested moving Dr. Slattery to the EMS State Agency Representative position, which would open up the Emergency Physician position for another interested person. He also informed the committee that the role as a Nurse with emergency pediatric experience is also vacant.

MOTION: Tina Smith made a motion to move Dr. Slattery's appointment to EMS State Agency Representative.

SECOND: Mike Bologlu

PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

6. **Discuss and make recommendations to fill vacant positions on the EMSC Advisory Committee. Candidates will be allotted three minutes to express their interest in joining the committee.**

Dr. Eisen asked Susie Kochevar to explain why she would be a suitable candidate for the EMSC Advisory Committee.

Susie Kochevar is applying for the position for a nurse with emergency pediatric experience and explained that she has been a nurse with several different agencies, including in-hospital, flight agencies, fire departments, school district, trauma centers, and pediatric emergency rooms. She explained she would like to use all of the knowledge she has gained to help improve the pediatric care of patient's here in Nevada. She believes this is a wonderful opportunity to learn more and work with a group of great people for a really great cause.

Dr. Jay Fisher is applying for the emergency physician position and

7. Presentation by Dr. David Slattery on Las Vegas Fire and Rescue's, Resuscitation Quality Improvement (RQI) training mannequins.
8. Discuss and make recommendations for 2019 EMSC Advisory Committee meeting times and locations.
**PUBLIC COMMENT
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
9. Public Comment - No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action will be taken.
10. Adjournment