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State Emergency Medical Services Board

December 13, 2016

Meeting Agenda

- I. Call to Order – Mr. DeVries
- II. Approval of Minutes from October 11, 2016
- III. MIEMSS Report – Dr. Alcorta
- IV. R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Update – No report
- V. MSP Aviation Update – Major Lowman
- VI. MSFA Update
- VII. Old Business
 - 2017 Protocol Updates – ACTION - Dr. Alcorta and Mr. Reynolds
- VIII. New Business
- IX. Adjourn to closed session to carry out administrative functions, to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on pending disciplinary actions under General Provisions Article §3-305(a) (7), and to maintain certain records and information in confidence as required by Health Occ. Art. §14-506 (b) under General Provisions Article §3-305 (a) (13).
- X. Reconvene in Open Session



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Minutes**

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Board Members Present: Donald L. DeVries, Jr., Esq. Chairman; Vic Broccolino, Vice-Chairman (phone & in person); Fred Cross; Kyrle Preis; (phone); E. Albert Reece, MD; David Hexter, MD; Sherry Adams; Sally Showalter (phone); Mary Alice Vanhoy (phone).

Board Members Absent: Jim Scheulen; Dany Westerband, M.D.

Others Present:

MIEMSS: Dr. Alcorta; Ms. Gainer; Ms. Abramson; Ms. Aycock; Ms. Mays; Ms. Myers; Ms. Gilliam; Mr. Schaefer; Ms. Goff; Mr. Brown.

OAG: Mr. Magee; Ms. Sette.

RACSTC: Dr. Erin Hall.

MSFA: President Mike Davis (phone); 2nd Vice President Rick Blair.

MSPAC: Major Lowman; Captain Beck.

Mr. DeVries opened the meeting at 9:10 am.

ACTION: Upon the motion Mr. Cross, seconded by Ms. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to approve as written the minutes of the November 15, 2016, meeting of the State EMS Board.

MIEMSS Report

Paper copies of the report were distributed.

Dr. Alcorta highlighted a few items from the written report including:

Licensure System.

MIEMSS is requesting that all EMS providers access the on-line Licensure System to update provider profiles. How-to videos are located on the MIEMSS website homepage. Dr. Alcorta added that the following tools can be accessed after creating a profile:

- Initial Provider applications - for new providers/students or for current providers to upgrade their provider level
- Renewal applications for current providers
- Change of Information, e.g., address
- Extension Request
- Reciprocity Application - for new Maryland providers

- Reinstatement Application – for lapsed providers
- Request to Surrender Licensure or Certification
- Replacement Card Request

Additionally, other features, such as applications, including Affiliation Requests and ePINS, will be available.

CARES.

Dr. Alcorta said that all Maryland Hospitals are now reporting Cardiac Arrest Data into CARES. Current data reveals a Maryland survival rate of Utstein 27% and Utstein with by-stander CPR or public access AED use survival increases to 35%.

Dates of Note

Dr. Alcorta announced that the following EMS and Prevention Education Programs have been scheduled in 2017:

- 2017 EMS Education Symposium "Education from a New Perspective" - January 12, 2017 from 8:00 AM until 3:30 PM.
- Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue's Training Academy 2200 Scott Wheeler Drive, Marriottsville, MD 21104
- Winterfest EMS Conference 2017- January 27 – 30, 2017 – Tilghman Island, Md.
- Miltenberger Emergency Services Seminar – Pre-conference - March 10, 2017 - Conference –March 11, 2017 – Rocky Gap Conference Center
- Public Fire and Life Safety Educator Seminar – March 25, 2017 – MFRI Headquarters, College Park, MD.
- Statewide Volunteer Recruitment Day Open House 2017– April 23, 2017
- EMS Care 2017- April 26 – 30, 2017 – Ocean City, MD
- Point/Counterpoint 2017 – May 11-12, 2017 – Baltimore, MD. Please go to: www.mdcot.org
- MSFA Annual Conference and Convention – June 17 – 23, 2017 – Ocean City, MD
- 2017 Mid-Atlantic Life Safety Conference – September 26, 2017 - The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, 11100 Johns Hopkins Rd, Laurel, MD

Dr. Alcorta added that MIEMSS continues to participate on the Governor's Opioid Taskforce.

MSFA

2nd Vice President Blair said that the next MSFA Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for February 25 & 26, 2017.

On behalf of the MSFA Presidents and membership, 2nd Vice President Blair wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

Mr. DeVries thanked 2nd Vice President Blair and asked that he convey to the MSFA membership the Board's gratitude for all they do for EMS and said we could not do what we do without the volunteers in Maryland. Mr. DeVries wished the MSFA leadership and members a safe and happy holiday.

MSP Aviation Command

Paper copies of the report were distributed.

Major Lowman said the MSP Operations Budget Hearing at the Department of Budget & Management was held on November 30, 2016, and went well.

Flight Training Device (FTD)

Major Lowman said the FTD is awaiting shipment pending final resolution of issues detected during pre-delivery inspection in July 2016. Delivery of the FTD is being coordinated with Leonardo (formerly Agusta Westland). It is anticipated that delivery will be made in May 2017.

OLD BUSINESS

Maryland Medical Protocols for EMS Providers

Dr. Alcorta highlighted the major changes in 2017 Maryland EMS Medical Protocols which included the following:

- Terbutaline has been removed from the Advanced Life Support formulary.
- The Pediatric Section of the Termination of Resuscitation has been modified to allow providers in consultation with a Pediatric Base Station to stop efforts in rare circumstances.
- A new Syncope protocol has been added for adult and pediatric patients.
- A new Overdose/Poisoning: Carbon Monoxide/Smoke Inhalation exposure protocol has been added which includes more formal direction for referral to the Hyperbaric Chamber replacing the Overdose: Inhalation protocol.
- The Fibrinolytic checklist has been removed in the evaluation of Stroke patients at the recommendation of the State Stroke Committee. The Fibrinolytic checklist should still be used in the STEMI patient evaluation.
- The site identification criteria for Intraosseous (IO) insertion has been improved.
- The optional Pelvic Binder protocol has been expanded to allow for pediatric appropriately size Pelvic Binder use.
- The Medical Consultation requirement has been removed for the administration of midazolam for the Bucking Endotracheal Intubated Patient Protocol.
- Freestanding Medical Facility (FMF) Pilot protocol has been expanded to allow EMS to transport stable priority 2 patients to the FMF with a required medical consultation.
- The Mark I/Duodote Optional Supplemental Program have been revised in order to reflect consistency with the standardized dosing that is delivered with the CHEMPACK.

Dr. Alcorta gave an overview of the pertinent requirements in phases 1 and 2 of the proposed Montgomery County Pilot Protocol for an EMS transport to an alternative destination.

Paper copies of the proposed pilot protocol were distributed.

ACTION: Upon the motion Mr. Broccolino, seconded by Dr. Reece, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2017 EMS Protocols.

NEW BUSINESS – N/A

ACTION: Upon the motion Mr. Broccolino, seconded by Ms. Adams, the Board voted to go into closed session.

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MSFA President Michael Davis, participating by phone after the open session adjourned but before the closed session business commenced, noted that Old Town Volunteer Fire Department will no longer be providing ambulance services in Allegany County due to a lack of volunteers willing to become EMTs. He also reported that western Maryland volunteers were experiencing delays in scheduling EMT exams with NREMT and those who passed were experiencing delays in obtaining EMT cards from MIEMSS. Chairman DeVries stated that MIEMSS would look into those areas carefully to improve them. President Davis noted the MSFA social would be Sunday at North Beach and invited those at the meeting to attend.

Chairman DeVries asked President Davis to convey to the members of the MSFA his sincere gratitude for all that the volunteers do for the Maryland EMS system and wished them a happy and safe holiday. President Davis departed the meeting.

In closed session the Board:

1. Reviewed a hospital disciplinary matter;
2. Selected two members of SEMSAC subject to approval by the Governor;
3. Discussed educational issues related to the transition to NREMT testing and the steps taken to facilitate the transition; and
4. Considered EMS provider disciplinary actions.

The EMS Board returned adjourned by acclamation