

ALS Subcommittee

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ALS Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

15 July 2020

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the ALS Subcommittee was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on 15 July 2020 by chairman Dr. Jeff Fillmore.

Motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting was made by Chris Touzeau. Seconded by Doug Beitzel. Motion carried.

Old Business

National Registry Psychomotor Testing

National registry psychomotor exams are continuing to run as scheduled since the pilot exam in June. These groups are still limited to approximately 8 students at a time with different groups coming in throughout the day.

Some programs have had problems with the number of items they ordered from the National Registry not arriving with the exam materials and leaving stations short. When you make a request for this through NR, please send Melissa Meyers a copy of that as well so that she can

double-check that all of the materials you requested come in the order.

Please order more exam materials that you normally would for your exams so that are different materials for each group of students who are testing.

2020 State Renewal Courses Released

The courses for the required state renewal hours were released June 1st. These courses/hours are required for all clinicians expiring in 2021/2022.

If a paramedic renews by exam, then they should still complete the required state content.

If needed due to the pandemic, EMSOPs can host the face-to-face courses in an F5 format, which National Registry already approves as an acceptable form of face-to-face learning.

Protocol Orientation

The Protocol Orientation is now scheduled to be released September 1st. It will go through two rounds of beta testing prior to release.

After the Protocol Orientation is released, students will log into the Online Training Center to complete the course after submitting their application for initial paramedic licensure.

New business

Update committee membership

There is an ongoing discussion with SEMSAC about what it means to be a part of the ALS Subcommittee (i.e., participating, voting, etc.). Dr. Fillmore will check back with SEMSAC again about this issue so that we can determine how to expand the membership to more equally represent the EMSOPs across the state.

Potential Project for Committee: FTO Program for ALS - David Stamey

David Stamey is soliciting interest around the state regarding the development of an FTO training program that could be used around the state. This would be a hybrid course with some online content and a face-to-face component. Ideally, there would be trainers in each

jurisdiction who can help train those interested in being an FTO. This program would be more oriented towards how to train new employees, volunteers, etc., in the system rather than how to precept paramedic students. The course would assess a higher level of knowledge and skills than students during the training.

Rae Oliviera brought up that MIEMSS created a program previously that was put out to help guide jurisdictions. This program was developed around 2012.

Melissa Meyers will send information on this topic to Dwayne Kitis to poll the jurisdictions in their region. It will be addressed to the training officers.

If there is enough interest from the regions across the state, David Stamey will put an outline together for what this program might look like to present at the next meeting.

Option for Early National Registry Testing - Discussion Only

MIEMSS is considering the option for early National Registry testing. This option would allow students who have completed everything except the capstone project of the paramedic program to take the cognitive exam early. Students would still need to complete the capstone prior to taking the psychomotor exam.

Discussion:

- May be doing students a disservice by taking away from their learning in the field and ability to apply cognitive information, make learning connections, etc. prior to taking the exam.
- Students also would not have had the opportunity to complete normal requirements prior to obtaining their certification. Chris Touzeau suggested that it be worth revisiting the minimum requirements instead of allowing this exception for early testing
- The push to get students into the field because of personnel shortages should not override the need for a solid education
- CoA has already made several adaptations to help get students through the course faster, so early testing would not be needed at this time

Consensus among the group is that there is not interest in adopting an early testing policy.

**Best Practices for classroom skill training with distancing and precautions
- EMSC Discussion (Cyndy Wright and Danielle Joy)**

How are you holding in-person courses and lessons or do you have a resource to share for holding in-person courses?

- Paramedic Program Directors Consortium has been working on this subject since the beginning of the pandemic and will discuss with EMSC. Cyndy Wright will reach out to Kyle Bates for more information.
- Numbers of students are based on the size of the room.

If you have other information you would like to share, please share with EMSC directly: pepp@miemss.org

Announcements

ALS clinicians on extension - Upcoming renewal period

Many ALS clinicians were affected by the pandemic and unable to renew their National Registry certification prior to the April 30, 2020 deadline. Those who did not renew or apply for extension were placed on an automatic extension until October 31, 2020.

The renewal period for those clinicians who expire on October 31, 2020 will open at the beginning of August. Clinicians will not automatically be renewed. They must fill out and submit the application online at www.miemsslicense.com

At this time, there is no discussion regarding additional extensions. If necessary, this discussion would occur based on how the pandemic evolves.

Change to Transcript System for State Renewal Content

To access a training record/transcript, log into the main licensure page, and go to training. There is an option to download a PDF that displays the hours breakdown as well as all courses listed during the specified timeframe.

The MIEMSS transcript system now breaks down the required state training on the transcript. Each course is listed under the State/Local hours as a separate requirement so that clinicians can see specifically where they have/have not met a requirement.

The National and Local hours are not affected by this change.

PEPP 4th Edition Courses

EMSC is in the process of replanning the summer and fall continuing education courses.

Course coordinator access codes are out for PEPP, but a written document on how to hold in-person courses has not been released from the American Academy of Pediatrics.

EMSC is unsure of when the online modules will be available (possibly August) so the hybrid option may not be available until then

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Adjournment

Motion for adjournment made by Kyle Bates. Motion seconded by Doug Beitzel.
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Appendices

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Present: None

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Tina Clark

Chris Touzeau

Rae Oliviera

Kyle Bates

David Timms

Dwayne Kitis

Danielle Joy

Doug Beitzel

Jeffrey Fillmore

David Stamey

Cyndy Wright

Melissa Meyers

Jamie Philpott

Pete Fiackos