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### Region III Jurisdictional Medical Directors September 27, 2017

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### Region III EMS Advisory Council Meeting September 27, 2017 \*REVISED\*

#### Minutes

#### In Attendance:

James Brothers (Howard County), Rebecca Canter (Shock Trauma), Tim Chizmar (Region III Medical Director), Susan Cochrane (BWMC), Diana Clapp (Shock Trauma), Bill Dousa (Harford County), Linda Dousa (Harford County), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS Region III), Mark Dubel (Anne Arundel County), Joe Gamatoria (Commercial Ambulance), Phil Hurlock (MIEMSS), Wai-Kwong Lau (GBMC), Richard Johnson (Consumer Representative), Richard Lichenstein (Region III Pediatric Medical Director), Kathy Noll (Johns Hopkins Adult), Alex Perricone (Chair/Baltimore City), Rich Schenning (Baltimore County), Judy Schroeder (Johns Hopkins Adult), Robert Vaccaro (Anne Arundel County), Curtis Wiggins (Carroll County), Jeff Willats (Baltimore County), Cyndy Wright-Johnson (MIEMSS EMSC), Robert Yacynych (Harbor)

#### On Line:

Terry Baker (Good Samaritan), Tracy Barnes, Joe Brown (Carroll Hospital Center), Kathi Burroughs (Union Memorial), Marissa Chandler (Harbor), Cindy Cohen (Mercy), Christine Deckard (Harford Memorial), Sara Delkhon (UMMC Midtown), Bill Deloriers (St. Joseph's), Tracy Ellis (St. Agnes), Ericka Gray-Wylie (Northwest), Dan Grimes (Annapolis City), Kathleen Grote, Anita Hagley (Baltimore City), Martha Hill (Sinai), Christina Hughes (Franklin Square), Paula Justice (Johns Hopkins Adult), Matt Levy (Howard County), Jennifer Osik (Upper Chesapeake), Cathy Park (Johns Hopkins Peds), Lisa Puett (Johns Hopkins Peds Trauma), Lashawn Scott (Mercy), Roger Simonds (Consumer Representative), Marie Taylor, Dianne Whyne (Johns Hopkins CEPAR), Tami Wiggins (Harford County)

- I. **Welcome & Introductions:** Chief Perricone welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were done in the room and for those who were on the phone.
- II. **Chair Report - Chief Alex Perricone:** The minutes from the May 24, 2017 meeting was reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made and the motion passed by Diana Clapp and Curtis Wiggins. Rich Schenning is now the EMS Director for Baltimore County. Robert Vaccaro has replaced Chief Wilkinson for Anne Arundel County. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm via conference call only.
- III. **Program Reports**
  - A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update – Roger Simonds
    1. SEMSAC met in a closed session in the last meeting to discuss the agency's budget.



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- B. State EMS Medical Director Report - Dr. Richard Alcorta
  1. Two candidates were interviewed in August for the MIEMSS Executive Director position. EMS Board did not select either candidate. A search organization will be used to find an Executive Director.
  2. Protocol Review Committee approved authorization for EMRs to have naloxone
  3. Pre-hospital crisis hotline cards are available in each jurisdiction in response to naloxone
  4. The EMS Board has approved a pilot for Baltimore City to implement the large vessel acute stroke protocol. It has improved survival rates.
  5. MIEMSS along with MFSA and MFRI have worked and succeeded in helping students pass the tests for EMTs to National Registry. This has also impacted recruitment. Staff is asked to send the positive message and were thanked for everyone's patience in the process.
  6. Elite transition – Talbot and Queen Anne's counties to join the Elite pilot in November/December and will soon phase into the EMS operational programs.
  7. Carroll County hosted a first responder appreciation dinner focusing on thanking law enforcement, fire and EMS in managing overdoses.
  8. All Anne Arundel County Fire and EMS fire stations are designated as a safe station for counselling of rehabilitation of overdoses.
- C. MIEMSS Region III Report - Jeff Huggins:
  1. The Region III written report was distributed at the meeting and electronically and in meeting. A copy is included in the minutes.
  2. An update of the written MEMRAD contact list is in progress,
  3. The Region III Associate Administration position will be open for one more week.
  4. An updated base station contact list will be sent out to everyone. Jeff has requested from the hospitals to send their updated medical director and contact information to Charles Dorsey.
- D. Maryland EMSC Report -Cyndy Wright Johnson:
  1. The Maryland EMSC Report was distributed at the meeting and is available electronically at [www.miemss.org](http://www.miemss.org). A copy is included in the minutes.
  2. The Annual Research Forum will take place on November 1<sup>st</sup> at MIEMSS Room 212. The focus will be on EMS/emergency department research. Those who want to attend must RSVP.
  3. Washington County will host a PEPP course on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  4. The federal EMS survey has been completed. Many jurisdictions have identified an EMS provider/pediatric champion. There is no expectation from the federal government to help with salary support. As funding is available Maryland EMSC will provide training and resources for these Pediatric Champions.
  5. Cyndy has asked the group for letters of support to provide pediatric education through their conferences as there will be competitive grants for next year.



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6. High-performance CPR has been approved by PEMAC and PRC. The expanded protocol will go to the EMS Board in December. This protocol will go into effect July 1, 2018 with all other protocol changes. The training for HP CPR with pediatric pit crews will begin with conferences from January – June of 2018.

#### E. MIEMSS Emergency Operations - Randy Linthicum:

1. Currently working on an Ambulance Strike Team project to put together pre-identify teams to go if an EMAC mission for the state happens.
2. Stress management personnel deployed for a 10-day mission to work with people with difficult conditions and shelters after recent hurricanes.
3. A HCID (High Consequence Infections Disease) Table Top Exercise will be held October 13<sup>th</sup> for the Region III area at Martin's East. The flyer is attached to the minutes and was distributed to everyone in the meeting.
4. The Center for Disease Control has made changes to the hospital Chempack caches due to a nationwide shortage of Mark I and Duodotes. Mark I was removed; Atropine and Chloride was replaced.

#### F. MIEMSS Regional Programs - Jon Bratt: not present

### IV. Committees

#### A. Emergency Education Council – Jeff Huggins:

1. ALS funding for Fiscal Year 2018 was distributed to the training officers last week. Once received they will go to Licensure and Certification.
2. A doodle poll for the first EMS Care 2018 meeting will go out for everyone to choose their availability. Jeff asked if anyone know of any speakers and topics to let him know.

#### B. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition - Christina Hughes:

1. The Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition report was distributed at the meeting and electronically and in meeting. A copy is included in the minutes.

#### C. Region III Medical Directors - Tim Chizmar, MD

1. The group is looking to stream-line QA reporting focusing on national compass initiatives.
2. Protocol Review Committee has completed business for the year, as the November meeting has been cancelled. Protocols for 2018 have been approved but not yet in text.

### V. Prevention Activities - Council Membership:

1. Walk to School Day on October 4<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday in October annually). Jurisdictions in Region III participating are Carroll, Baltimore City, Harford County through Safe Kids Program. There may be additional activities based on grants from law enforcement. Anne Arundel County is having Bike to School Day on October 4<sup>th</sup>.



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2. Trauma centers celebrated National Fall Prevention Day on Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

VI. **Old Business** – none to report

VII. **New Business** - The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 201 at 1:00pm via conference call only.

VIII. **Regional Roundtable Reports**

A. EMS

1. Annapolis – nothing to report
2. Anne Arundel
  - a) Safe Station program began on April 19<sup>th</sup>. They have seen 189 visitors
  - b) The county has gained extra funds to hire an EMS supervisor
  - c) RSI program concluded training with 58 personnel
3. Baltimore City
  - a) Working with mobile integrated health for a comprehensive stroke center for Johns Hopkins Bayview, Johns Hopkins Hospital and University of Maryland
4. Baltimore County
  - a) Christian Griffin transitioned into his new position
  - b) Promoted two new EMS Captains
5. BWI – not present
6. Carroll – nothing to report
7. Harford
  - a) Surge Unit will begin January 1<sup>st</sup>. Currently in process of interviewing and testing applicants. Hiring will be held on December 1<sup>st</sup>
8. Howard
  - a) Resuscitation Academy will be held on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Registration is almost closed
  - b) 17 ALS providers graduated
  - c) Academy class scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup> and an additional class to start in July
  - d) Three fire stations are scheduled to open in the next 3 years

B. Health Depts. – not present

C. Hospitals

1. AAMC – not present
2. BWMC
  - a) Hired a new Nurse Manager
3. Bon Secours - not present
4. Carroll - not present
5. Franklin Square – no report
6. Good Samaritan
  - a) Staff are meeting weekly for yellow and red alerts and looking for ways to address them



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- b) Will offer base stations courses every two months with the information posted on the MIEMSS website ([www.miemss.org](http://www.miemss.org)).
- 7. GBMC - no report
- 8. Harbor
  - a) Staff is asked not to leave containers at the main lobby
- 9. Harford Memorial
  - a) To participate on triage tag days on October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
  - b) Will have ED nurses celebration with Upper Chesapeake the week of October 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>
- 10. Howard County General - not present
- 11. Johns Hopkins Bayview
  - a) Education Evening on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Registration begins at 7:15pm and can be completed on their website
- 12. Johns Hopkins Adult
  - a) Will conduct quarterly case conferences with ED trauma next Friday and the invitation has been extended to all EMS providers
- 13. Johns Hopkins Peds - no report
- 14. Mercy
  - a) Will participate in triage tag days October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>
- 15. Northwest - not present
- 16. Shock Trauma
  - a) Education broadcast will be held October 4<sup>th</sup> on upper extremities. The topic in December's broadcast will be Stop the Bleeding. A topic is being worked on for November's class. The classes are posted online
  - b) Staff is asked to pick up equipment
  - c) Final testing is being done on the helipad by the Fire Marshall. The helipad is estimated to be back in operation is early October. Non-emergency patients should use the Redwood Street entrance to keep the emergency ambulance bay clear
- 17. Sinai - not present
- 18. St. Agnes- no report
- 19. St. Joseph's - not present
- 20. Union Memorial
  - a) Will host a community input session along with Good Samaritan on October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. Those who would like to RSVP should call 410-554-2500
- 21. UMMC - no report
- 22. UMMC Midtown - no report
- 23. Upper Chesapeake - not present
- D. Commercial Ambulance
  - 1. Looking to update their bylaws and are asking for input from the group
- E. MSP – not present
- F. MCAC – not present





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- G. Training Institutions / MFRI – not present
- H. MEMA – not present

IX. Meeting Adjourned

#### MIEMSS Region III Office Written Report to Council September 27, 2017

**Triage Tag Days:** Jurisdictions are requested to participate in the quarterly triage tag days to enhance provider familiarity with the tags. Participation continues to increase throughout the region. All region III hospitals should be prepared to receive the tags and may use the EPTS equipment to scan incoming tags if so desired.

**HC Standard Hospital Contact List:** All hospitals are reminded to continue to update their contact numbers in HC Standard. Hospitals can do so by going under their facilities workspace and clicking on the matrix entitled ‘Contacts-‘Hospital Name’.

**50/50 Matching Grants:** FY2018 applications have been distributed. Applications are due back to the Region III office by November 21<sup>st</sup>.

**EMS Care 2018:** EMS Care 2018 will take place April 25-29, 2018 at the Clarion Resort in Ocean City, MD. The planning committee is being assembled to begin work on this year’s conference.

**MIEMSS Emergency Operations:** Region III continues to collaborate with Emergency Operations on the regional Ambulance Strike Team (AST).



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#### **Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition Report to the MIEMSS Region III EMS Advisory Council September 27, 2017**

The 2017 triage tag dates will continue. Oct. 3rd and 7th, or variation within those timeframes. The July compilation revealed the same trends as before. Lack of age, chief complaint, medic unit, arrival time, as well as the backs of tags being left blank.

WebFUSION has gone away as most of the Region moves to the State WebEOC system. There is a similar board available to use for health and medical coalition purposes. Work on gaining access for all health and medical partners continues.

Allocation of Scarce Resources framework development is complete and has been submitted to MDH for review, approval, and next steps.

A subcommittee continues to meet to work on specific items identified as next steps for Coalition development. The final proposal and logistics for support are being finalized.

Ebola tabletop will occur at the next HPP regional meeting on October 13<sup>th</sup>. EMS and EM are encouraged to attend.

Work has culminated on BP5 HPP projects: a water filtration system, incident rehab pod, resource management plan update, evacuation implementation plan, website sustainment, active assailant kits, and recovery plan.

Working on a training opportunity at the CDP in Alabama for November 13-17<sup>th</sup>. Registration has been opened and courses are filling.

The Coalition has developed a website. It is almost complete. Invites for the member only portal will be sent soon.

The next Region III Health & Medical Coalition meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2017.

The Region culminated work with a subgroup on establishing active shooter kits for partner agencies along with training implementation.



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The Coalition continues to work with the DHMH Comm Group to move forward with a radio purchase for partners in the Region.

Await additional feedback from MIEMSS on the future of patient tracking. Initial discussions with CRISP partners have occurred.

#### **Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition Report to the MIEMSS Region III EMS Advisory Council September 27, 2017 (Continued)**

Coalition members participated in the UASI 2 day JCTAWS (Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series) on April 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at MITAGS. Many lessons learned and areas for improvement were identified. We just received the official report back to the Region and will begin to work on corrective action items.

The UASI Alternate Care Site cache at the USAR warehouse has been relocated to Carroll County and Bayview's storage warehouse.

Members of the UASI and Coalition met with GBMC to discuss the future of the Region III Alternate Care Site at GBMC as GBMC performs a master facility assessment of all space. The Coalition provided further supporting documentation to GBMC and present to their Senior Administration team. In addition, an alternate site is being looked at on the campus.

The Coalition has begun discussions with MSP to ensure that consistent processes are in place regarding healthcare worker expectations for road travel during emergencies.

Await final feedback on our HPP regional application.