



## *Statewide EMS Advisory Council (SEMSAC)*

### *AGENDA*

December 7, 2017

1:00pm – 3:00pm

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- I. Approval of the November 2, 2017 meeting minutes
- II. SEMSAC Chair Report – Dr. Kalish
- III. MIEMSS Report – Dr. Alcorta
- IV. MSFA Update -
- V. MSPAC Update – Major Konold
- VI. National Study Center – Dr. Kerns
- VII. Committee Reports
  - ALS – No Report
  - BLS – Mr. Tiemersma
  - EMD – No Report
  - Regional Affairs – Mr. Smothers
- VIII. Old Business
  - 30.01.02 Incorporation by Reference – Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers – Mr. Magee
- IX. New Business
  - Jurisdictional Advisory Council (JAC) By-laws – ACTION – Dr. Alcorta
  - 2018 Maryland Medical Protocols – Dr. Alcorta



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### **Meeting Minutes**

**SEMSAC Members Present:** Murray Kalish, MD, Chairman; Scott Haas, Vice Chair; Eric Smothers; Steve Edwards; Jeffrey Filmore, MD; Wade Gaasch; Tim Burns; Melissa Meyers; Wayne Tiemersma; Jennifer Anders; Brian Frankel; Linda Dousa (phone); Jason Day; Tim Kerns for Rosemary Kozar; Jim Scheulen (phone); Wayne Dyott; Tim Chizmar; Tom Gianni; Roger Simonds; Lisa Tenney; Karen Vogel

**Members Absent:** Karen Doyle; Jack Markey; Jonathan Lerner; John Filer; Bobby Pattison; Michael DeRuggiero; Jay Fowler; Kathleen Grote;

**Others Present:** Jim Radcliffe; Andy Roberts; Charles Boone; Eva Sehgan; Jennifer Guyther

**MSPAC:** Keith McMinn

**OAG:** Sarah Sette; Fremont Magee

**MIEMSS:** Richard Alcorta; Pat Gainer; Anna Aycocock; Phil Hurlock, Carole Mays, Lisa Myers; Jim Brown; Jonathan Bratt; Barbara Goff

Chairman Kalish opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. He announced that this would be the last SEMSAC meeting for Steve Edwards as he is retiring from MFRI as of January 1, 2018. Dr. Kalish presented Steve with a plaque honoring him for his years of service to SEMSAC and the entire EMS System and wished him well in his retirement.

**Action: A motion was made by Mr. Tiemersma, seconded by Mr. Smothers and unanimously agreed upon to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2017, meeting as written.**

**SEMSAC Report – No report**

#### **MIEMSS Report**

A written report was distributed.

#### **MIEMSS Executive Director Search**

Dr. Alcorta said that the subcommittee of the EMS Board has selected an Executive Search Firm (Witt/Kiefer) and is in the process of finalizing the contract.

Dr. Alcorta highlighted items from the MIEMSS written report.

## CRT

Dr. Alcorta said that the National Registry will cease testing the EMT-I/99 (CRT) after December 31, 2019. MIEMSS will be organizing a summit of jurisdictions and educational programs personnel to discuss the future of the Maryland CRT.

## Opioid Crisis

EMS Naloxone Grant Program: The Maryland Behavioral Health Administration, the Opioid Operational Command Center (OOC), and MIEMSS are partnering to provide financial relief to EMSOPs that are currently carrying the increased burden of providing naloxone without reimbursement from the patient or insurance providers. A \$200,000 grant from the Maryland Behavioral Health Administration will be administered by MIEMSS and granted to EMSOPs based on the number of previous naloxone administrations where the patient was not transported or refused transport to the hospital using eMEDS® data.

In working with the OOC and other state agencies, MIEMSS has assisted in arranging for the bulk purchasing of EMS medications through a statewide contract with Cardinal which will be managed by the Maryland Department of General Services.

Dr. Alcorta said MIEMSS encourages providers to share information on “Before It’s Too Late.” web site at [www.BeforeItsTooLateMD.org](http://www.BeforeItsTooLateMD.org) and the Maryland Crisis Hotline phone number (800-422-0009) with opioid overdose patients who refuse transport.

## Walter Reed National Military Medical Center

Dr. Alcorta said that Walter Reed and MIEMSS have met to discuss the four areas that MIEMSS and Walter Reed are interested in working on: skill and competence retention; disaster / surge response; research; and rehabilitation.

## eLicensure System

Dr. Alcorta said that it is anticipated that the online affiliation process will be available through the e-Licensure system in January 2017. Dr. Alcorta added that disciplinary actions will not be part of the e-Licensure system.

## Legislative Studies

Ms. Gainer said that MIEMSS submitted the MIH Study to the Legislature on November 1, 2017. The Automated External Defibrillator’s study and the ED Overcrowding Study will be submitted to the EMS Board for approval at the December 2017 meeting. Ms. Gainer said that MIEMSS staff was collaboration with HSCRC on the ED Overcrowding Legislative study and gave an overview of some of the findings.

## **MSFA**

Ms. Dousa reported that the MSFA Executive Committee meeting was held on December 2, 2017, at the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department.

## **MSPAC**

A paper copy of the MSPAC report was distributed.

Captain McMinn announced the retirement of Major Konold effective December 31, 2017. He said he would be the point of contact for MSPAC until further notice.

### Flight Training Device

Captain McMinn said the Flight Training Device has been shipped and anticipates delivery and installation the first quarter of 2018.

### Holiday Party and Commanders Awards

Captain McMinn said that MSPAC will hold their annual Holiday Party at Martins on Friday, December 8, 2017. At this event MSPAC will be presenting Commanders Award, recognizing employees of the year of their respective disciplines and presenting several new Command members with their wings.

## **NATIONAL STUDY CENTER (NSC)**

Dr. Kerns said that the NSC, MIEMSS and RACSTC continue to collaborate on Highway Safety Data projects. Dr. Kerns added that the NSC is working on a project with MITRE that will test the effectiveness of several different software packages used for linking large datasets which will run through March 2018. The NSC is working on traffic records data linkages for legacy data.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### ALS Committee

No report

### BLS Committee

Mr. Tiemersma said there was nothing to add to the MIEMSS Report regarding BLS.

### EMD Committee – No Report

### Regional Affairs Committee

Mr. Smothers said that the 50/50 Matching grants were awarded to the jurisdictions in the amount of \$400,000.00. Mr. Smothers added that the Regional Affairs Committee plans to discuss the processes for awarding grants in the near future.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### 30.01.02 Incorporation by Reference – Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers

Mr. Magee said the 2017 Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers was published in the Maryland Register and did not receive any comments.

**Action: A motion was made by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Dr. Anders and unanimously agreed upon to recommend the EMS Board approve 2017 Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers.**

Jurisdictional Advisory Council (JAC) By-laws

A paper copy of the proposed JAC By-laws was distributed.

Dr. Alcorta asked for approval of the JAC By-laws that were presented to SEMSAC at the last meeting.

**Action: A motion was made by Mr. Haas, seconded by Dr. Fillmore and unanimously agreed upon to approve the updated JAC By-laws.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

2018 Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers

A paper copy of the Protocol changes was distributed.

Dr. Alcorta gave an overview of the changes 2018 Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers and asked for SEMSA approval and recommendation to the EMS Board of the proposed changes.

**Action: A motion was made by Dr. Chizmar, seconded by Dr. Fillmore and unanimously agreed upon to approve the proposed changes with one modification on page 282 to the 2018 Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers and recommended the approval of the EMS Board.**

SEMSAC adjourned by acclamation.