



**State EMS Board
Meeting
September 13, 2022
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Virtual Meeting**

State of Maryland

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Emergency Medical
Services Systems**

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- I. Call to Order – Mr. Stamp
 - Call the role
 - Approval of the August 9, 2022
- II. MIEMSS Report – Dr. Delbridge
- III. MSP Aviation Command – Major Tagliaferri
- IV. R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma – Written Report
- V. MSFA – President Kurtz / Ms. Tomanelli
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
 - Perinatal Regulations – ACTION – Ms. Sette
- VIII. Adjourn to closed session

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(b) (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 (b) (13).



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Via Video Conference Call Only
Minutes**

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Board Members Present: Clay B. Stamp, NREMT P, Chairperson; James Scheulen, Co-Chairperson; Mary Alice Vanhoy, RN; Sally Showalter; Stephen Cox; William J. Frohna, M.D.; Molly Marra

Board Members Absent: Dany Westerband, M.D.; Wayne Tiemersma, NREMT P

OAG: Mr. Malizio; Ms. Sette; Ms. McAlister

MIEMSS: Dr. Delbridge; Ms. Gainer; Mr. Bilger; Ms. Chervon; Dr. Chizmar; Mr. Ebling; Mr. Fiackos; Dr. Floccare; Ms. Gertner; Mr. Legore; Mr. Parsons; Ms. Witmer; Dr. Wooster; Ms. Wright-Johnson; Ms. Goff

Chairman Stamp called the meeting to order at 9:03 am and proceeded with calling the role.

Chairman Stamp asked for approval of the August 9, 2022, minutes.

ACTION: Upon the motion made by Dr. Frohna, seconded by Mr. Scheulen, the EMS Board unanimously approved the August 9, 2022, minutes as written.

MIEMSS Report

Emergency Department Advisory System (EDAS)

Dr. Delbridge said that CRISP continues the validation process of the information that flows through CRISP and the data that goes through EDAS. The MIEMSS Regional Coordinators have visited EDs to gauge how EDAS would about the ED if it was online for discrepancy trouble shooting.

Dr. Delbridge said that in conjunction with the @HA dashboard, EDAS will assist EMS clinicians to identify how busy an ED actually is based on bed availability. He added that EMS would be able to monitor how many patients are in the ED vs. how many designated treatment spaces the ED has, allowing the EMS unit to know what they should experience when they arrive at the ED.

Dr. Delbridge said that he and Dr. Chizmar have been visiting nurse managers/directors in hospital EDs across the state. The intention is to visit all Maryland hospitals to tour the ED's, to ascertain bed availability, and to discuss the EDAS with staff.

Medicaid Supplemental Payment Program

Dr. Delbridge provided an update on the Medicaid Supplemental Payment Program for EMS. Thirteen of the fourteen jurisdictions that qualified submitted documentation to be

reimbursed the federal portion of their costs incurred from October 2020 through June 2021 with this year's submissions from July 2021 through June 2022. Federal reimbursements to date is approximately \$80M dollars. MIEMSS is in discussions with additional jurisdictions who did not participate during the first reimbursement period but may do so moving forward.

Critical Care Coordination Center (C-4)

Dr. Delbridge updated the number of patient cases handled by the C-4 to over 3300 in the past 21 months. Pediatric cases have increased over the last few months. The C-4 has CDC grant funding through June 2023. MIEMSS is investigating other avenues for continuing funding to this well received initiative.

Emergency Medical Technician Education Stipend

Dr. Delbridge said that, to date, MIEMSS has enrolled 450 EMT students in the educational stipend program, whereby they may receive up to \$2000 each. Dr. Delbridge gave a breakdown of the educational institutions that the students are attending. The funding will be distributed to students as they complete various milestones, culminating when the student passes the NREMT exam. Online stipend applications opened on April 1, 2022. This stipend is available for up to 500 qualifying students through June 2023.

COMAR 30.04.03.05

Dr. Delbridge highlighted the requirements in COMAR related to BLS Education. Among these are a supervised field intern that includes the practice of skills while functioning in a prehospital BLS environment (COMAR 30.04.03.05 A and B) and requirements for EMT field training coaches (COMAR 30.04.03.09 F). He said that MIEMSS is working with BLS education programs to assure that all requirements are met.

Whole Blood Program

Dr. Delbridge said that Dr. Floccare continues to work with UMMC, Red Cross and RACSTS on a solution to providing Whole Blood to MSP Aviation-transported patients. He highlighted some of the hurdles in arranging field access to the whole blood.

SEMSAC – No report

MSPAC

A written report was disseminated.

Major Tagliaferri highlighted a few of the items in the written report including the Maryland State Police Aviation Command's current numbers of EMS providers and pilots, personnel recruitments, maintenance updates, mission data and ongoing projects and initiatives including the Whole Blood Program.

RACSTC

A written report was provided by Dr. Snedeker.

OLD BUSINESS – N/A

NEW BUSINESS

COMAR 30.08.12- Perinatal Standards

Ms. Sette said that the Perinatal Standards were previously approved by the Board to begin the promulgation process and were published in the Maryland Register (July 1, 2022); no comments were received.

Ms. Sette requested the Board's approval for final adoption of the Perinatal Standards.

ACTION: Upon the motion made by Ms. Showalter, seconded by Mr. Scheulen, the EMS Board unanimously approved COMAR 30.08.12-Perinatal Standards.

Chairman Stamp thanked the EMSOF partner organizations that continue to do the hard work necessary to have a great EMS system in Maryland. He also commended the efforts of Dr. Delbridge and the MIEMSS staff on their efforts to bring new and innovative initiatives that enhance the Maryland EMS system.

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ACTION: Upon the motion made by Mr. Scheulen, seconded by Mr. Cox, the EMS Board unanimously voted to adjourn to closed session.

In closed session:

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In Closed Session:

The Board considered:

- (1) disciplinary matters; and
- (2) an educational program.