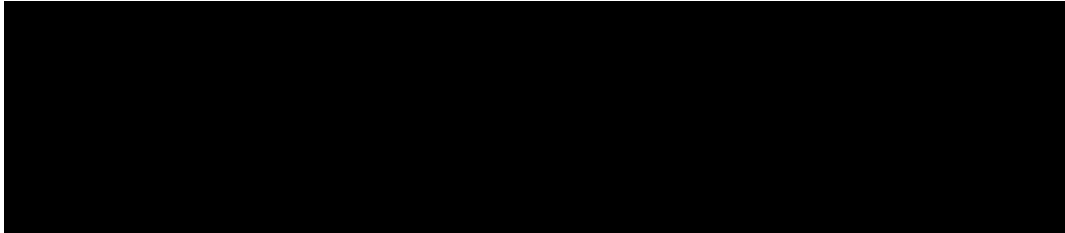


**JURISDICTIONAL ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Wednesday, Oct 8, 2025
10:00am – 12:00pm**



AGENDA

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| I. | Call to Order | Chief Christian Griffin |
| | A. Welcome and Introductions | |
| | B. Approval of the August 2025 JAC Meeting Minutes | |
| II. | Office of the EMS Medical Director Updates | Timothy Chizmar, MD |
| | A. EMS Protocols: Glucagon for BLS Providers | |
| III. | Office of Clinician Services Updates | Mr. Aaron Edwards, MS, NRP |
| IV. | EMS Preparedness and Operations Update | Mr. Jeff Huggins, NRP |
| V. | EMS For Children Updates | Ms. Cyndy Wright-Johnson, MSN, RN |
| VI. | EMS Jurisdictional Roundtable | Chief Christian Griffin |
| VII. | Good of the Committee | Chief Christian Griffin |
| | A. Bylaws Review: Required Attendance | |
| | B. Chair/Vice-Chair – Nominations Process | |
| VIII. | Closing Remarks and Adjournment | Chief Christian Griffin |
| IX. | Action Items | Stephanie Ermatinger |
| | A. Updated Contact List | |
| | B. Nominations Process | |

Next Jurisdictional Advisory Committee Meeting is **Dec 10, 2025**. Additional details to follow

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JURISDICTIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, October 08, 2025
MIEMSS Room 212 – In-Person with Virtual Option**

Attendance

In-Person:

Stephanie Ermatinger (MIEMSS)

Virtual:

Chief Salvage; Chief Cvach; Chief Matz; Chief Knatz; EMS Captain Glaze; Capt. Freyman; Chief Saurusaitis; Chief Howes; Chief Marvel; Chief Griffin; Chief Wheedleton; Chief Phillips; Chief Cole; Director Orendorf; Chief Buchanan; Captain Cohen; Chief Mayne; Chief Kaufman; Chief Dugan; Chief Buckson; Chief Yerkie; Chief Truitt; Lt. Dennis; Deputy Chief Polidore; Chief Davidson; Chief Kintop; Director Chisholm; Ms. Donaway (HJO); Ms. Gilmore; Mr. Tome; Dr. Levy

MIEMSS: Dr. Chizmar; Mr. Tiemersma; Mr. Kelly; Mr. Sidik; Mr. Edwards; Ms. Wright-Johnson; Mr. Kitis; Mr. Huggins; Mr. Bilger

Excused:

Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute

Absent:

City of Annapolis; Charles Co; Kent Co; Ocean City; Worcester Co

Meeting Overview

Chief Griffin called the meeting to order at 1001 hours. After introductions, the August 13, 2025 minutes were approved as written following a motion by Captain Freyman and second by Chief Buchanan.

Reports and Updates

1. Office of the EMS Medical Director (Dr. Timothy Chizmar)

Dr. Chizmar provided updates on ongoing protocols and pilot programs including: Whole Blood, TXA, Cefazolin, and the Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) programs. He discussed upcoming 2026 protocol revisions (proposed) including expanded use of Labetalol, seizure management updates, and Glucagon IN for BLS providers. He requested committee input on Glucagon IN and Intranasal Epinephrine, noting that Mrs.

Ermatinger will distribute a survey. Additional updates included Pain Management, Abuse/Neglect Reporting, State Quality Measures, and CARES Data analysis.

2. Office of Clinician Services (Aaron Edwards, MS, NRP)

Mr. Edwards reviewed EMT Renewal requirements, National Registry pathways, and compliance standards. He encouraged jurisdictions to submit renewals early and offered to review refresher programs for alignment with state standards.

3. EMS Preparedness and Operations (Jeff Huggins, NRP)

Mr. Huggins reported updates on EDAS, MEMRAD, MCI and Stop the Bleed Kits, CRISP access, and Duodote Kit availability. He noted continued work on the EMS Task Force and a statewide resource survey evaluation.

4. EMS for Children (Director Wright-Johnson, RN)

Ms. Wright-Johnson provided pediatric updates including upcoming Pediatric Champions Meetings for EMS and Nursing and Physicians, the 2026 quarterly meeting schedule for all three groups is available and has been shared. EMSC is hosting an Interdisciplinary Pediatric Readiness Symposium on Wednesday February 25, 2026 @ MITAGS with more information to follow. STABLE newly born stabilization course will be offered as preconference at Winterfest 2026 & Miltenberger 2026. Dr. Anders introduced a new Pediatric Trauma destination QI project to the EMS Pediatric Champion with training module to follow. Newly born algorithm in the Protocols will be updated with the release of the ILCOR guidelines later this month and a new AAP online training for newly born care is anticipated in spring 2026 (4 hours online).

Jurisdictional Roundtable

I. EMS Jurisdictional Roundtable (Chief Griffin)

A. Allegany County (Chief Mike Salvage)

1. Chief Salvage stated the county is absorbing an additional volunteer station
2. He stated they are currently hiring for coverage

B. Baltimore City (Chief Matz)

1. Chief Matz stated they started a class on 09/24/2025 of about 20 people and have another one starting in December
2. He discussed the Nurse Navigation Line through their PSAP, similar in concept to a program in DC
 1. They are able to direct the 'right person to the right resources'

C. Baltimore County (Chief Knatz)

1. Fall Prevention Program in conjunction with Enterprise Properties and their Department of Health
2. They currently have a class slated to end on Oct. 30

3. They have (3) new units which are staffed at the BLS level in service from 0900-2100 hours; these units are stocked for ALS level care if an upgrade is available
 4. Chief Knatz stated they received their Cyano-kits and are working on their training programs; they will be placed on their EMS Officer cars
 5. They are working on their budget requests
- D. BWI Airport (Captain Freyman)
1. They have their E-PLEX programs on November 1st and appreciate those who volunteered to participated
- E. Calvert County (Chief Howes)
1. Chief Howes reported they have approval to start their Whole Blood program
 2. She stated they anticipate the start date to be Oct. 15th (approx.)
- F. Caroline County (Chief Marvel)
1. No report
- G. Cecil County (Chief Griffin)
1. Chief Griffin stated they are continuing with their MIH programs expanding their client contacts
 2. He stated they are hiring for Paramedic positions
- H. Dorchester County (Chief Phillips)
1. Chief Philips stated they are down a few paramedics
 2. He stated they received (2) new ambulances this month
- I. Frederick County (Chief Cole, report given by Chief Griffin)
1. Chief Cole shared they graduated (9) new paramedics
 2. He stated they are implementing their Tele911 Program to start training in the next few weeks
 3. He stated they are starting a field trial of monitors to see which is best for their jurisdiction – testing Life Pak 35s and Zoll Monitors
- J. Garrett County (EMS Director Orendorf)
1. No report
- K. Harford County (Chief Buchanan)
1. Chief Buchanan stated they started their Whole Blood program
- L. Howard County (Chief Mayne/Captain Cohn)
1. Chief Mayne stated they closed applications for their QA/QI officer position and expect to have the qualified list soon
 2. She stated they are conducting internal ALS classes for a QA process in with training
 3. Application process is about to close for the next internal paramedic class – she stated they expect up to (40) candidates
- M. Montgomery County (Chief Dugan)

1. Chief Dugan thanked Caroline County for hosting the LifePak 35 training
 2. He congratulated the jurisdictions with their Whole Blood programs
 3. He stated their program is about a year old and they are about to exceed (100) units of blood transfused
 4. He stated they just completed their year trial with the AHP300 Ventilator
 - i. He stated they are beginning with (2) new ventilators, the O-Two e700 and the Ventis ventilators
 - i. He asked for feedback from the group if anyone has used the Ventis
- N. Prince George's County (Chief Buckson)
1. Chief Buckson stated they are conducting ALS skills with Children's Hospital
- O. Queen Anne's County (Chief Yerkie)
1. Chief Yerkie stated they have (2) new paramedics starting at the end of the month
 2. He stated they received (2) new ambulances delivered from FESCO
 3. He reminded everyone of the Bay Bridge Run scheduled for 11/9
 4. He asked the group if they know of anywhere to get (2) Ambulances for standby and Gator 4x4s, please contact him
- P. City of Salisbury (Lt. Dennis)
1. He stated they just finished VAIP inspections which went well
 2. They are hosting a paramedic refresher
- Q. Somerset County (Dep Chief Polidore)
1. He stated they are finalizing hiring processes
 2. They received funding for part time EMTs
 3. They placed their 3rd unit in service and about ready to please a 4th daywork unit in service soon
 4. They have placed this L35s and UE2 video laryngoscopes in place
 5. Going through skills competency evaluations
- R. St. Mary's County (Chief Davidson)
1. Chief Davidson announced John Gosford at the new Deputy Director of EMS
 2. He stated they have several open communications positions including career Chief, Deputy Chief, etc.
 3. He stated they have one (1) paramedic position open
 4. He said the LifePak 35 program is going well
- S. Talbot County (Chief Kintop)
1. Chief Kintop stated their new assistant medical director, Dr. Eric Klotz started October 1st

2. She stated the new standalone station groundbreaking in the Cordova area on 09/29 and should be a 6-month build
 3. She stated their Alternative Destination program started October 1st
 4. She said they have (5) paramedics going through class now and are looking to hire additional paramedics
- T. Washington County (Director Chisholm)
1. Completed their VAIP inspections and cleaning up some minor issues
 2. Blood Program rollout is progressing – field providers are adapting to changing out the modules, hope to be online by Nov. 1st
 3. They just graduated a paramedic class and just seated another paramedic class
- U. Wicomico County (Shari Donoway)
1. She stated they are always looking for EMS provers
 2. They are in the process of finishing up their VAIP inspections
- V. UM Shock Trauma (Ms. Gilmore)
1. Stated they have a significant number of backboards at their facility
 2. Please come and retrieve yours or send another jurisdiction to pick up their area's equipment
 3. She stated if they are not picked up by the next week or so, they will be disposed of
 4. Chief Phillips posted in the chat they may be able to do a run to pick up boards for their jurisdictions – contact him if interested
- W. MD State Fireman's Association (Mr. Tome)
1. They have been advertising on how to get recertified without taking the whole course again and have been successful with a few cases
 2. Discussed RN to Paramedic programs
 3. Discussed Active Assailant Workgroup guidance for ballistic protections for EMS; they are also working on training
 4. Working on recruiting more clinicians

Good of the Committee

Chief Griffin reviewed attendance requirements per JAC Bylaws and reminded members that annual reviews are due in December 2025. He opened nominations for Chair and Vice Chair, with Chief Christian Griffin nominated for another term. Nominations will remain open until the December 10, 2025 meeting.

Action Items

1. Mrs. Ermatinger to send out a list of all JAC HJO's for review and corrections.
2. Mrs. Ermatinger to distribute a questionnaire regarding medication use discussed by Dr. Chizmar.

3. Dr. Chizmar to follow up with Chief Dugan regarding other states' Glucagon IN practices.
4. Mrs. Ermatinger to provide jurisdictions with EMS Grant information from Dr. Chizmar's presentation

Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Chief Griffin reminded attendees of the next meeting scheduled for December 10, 2025, at 1000 hours. Meeting adjourned at 1121 hours following a motion by Chief Howes.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Ermatinger
MIEMSS Administrator