



# Region III Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council

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## Region III EMS Advisory Council September 26, 2018

### Agenda

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Chair Report Chief Perricone
  - A. Review of Minutes
  - B. Correspondence
  - C. Next Meeting – January 23, 2019 – 1:00pm, MIEMSS Room 212
- III. Program Reports
  - A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update Roger Simonds
  - B. State EMS Medical Director Report Dr. Richard Alcorta
  - C. MIEMSS Region III Report Jeff Huggins
  - D. Maryland EMSC Report Cyndy Wright Johnson
  - E. MIEMSS Emergency Operations Randy Linthicum
  - F. MIEMSS Regional Programs Andrew Naumann
- IV. Committees
  - A. Emergency Education Council Paul Massarelli
  - B. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition Christina Hughes
  - C. Region III Medical Directors Tim Chizmar, MD
- V. Prevention Activities Council Membership
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Regional Roundtable Reports
  - A. EMS
    - 1. Annapolis
    - 2. Anne Arundel
    - 3. Baltimore City
    - 4. Baltimore County
    - 5. BWI
    - 6. Carroll
    - 7. Harford
    - 8. Howard
  - B. Health Depts.



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### C. Hospitals

1. Anne Arundel Medical Center
2. Baltimore Washington Medical Center
3. Bon Secours Hospital
4. Carroll Hospital Center
5. Franklin Square Hospital
6. Good Samaritan Hospital
7. Greater Baltimore Medical Center
8. Harbor Hospital
9. Harford Memorial Hospital
10. Howard County General Hospital
11. Johns Hopkins Bayview Hospital
12. Johns Hopkins Hospital
13. Johns Hopkins Hospital Pediatrics
14. Mercy Medical Center
15. Northwest Hospital Center
16. R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center
17. Sinai Hospital
18. Saint Agnes Hospital
19. Saint Joseph's Hospital
20. Union Memorial Hospital
21. University of Maryland Medical Center
22. University of Maryland Medical Center Midtown
23. Upper Chesapeake Medical Center

D. Commercial Ambulance

E. MSP

F. MCAC

G. Training Institutions / MFRI

H. MEMA

### IX. Adjourn

Call-in information:

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Join the conference call. Phone: [REDACTED] Conference Code: [REDACTED]



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### Region III EMS Advisory Council Meeting September 26, 2018

#### Minutes

#### In Attendance:

Alex Cardella (MCAC), Tim Chizmar, MD (MIEMSS Assistant State EMS Medical Director), Susan Cochrane (Baltimore Washington Medical Center), Charles Dorsey (MIEMSS), Bill Dousa (Harford County), Linda Dousa (Harford County), Mark Dubel (Anne Arundel County), Brian Frearson (MFRI), Rebecca Gilmore (Shock Trauma), Kathleen Grote ( ), Jennifer Guyther (Baltimore City Fire Department), Jeffrey Huggins (MIEMSS Region III), Richard Johnson (Consumer Representative), Rick Leonard (Howard County), Matt Levy, MD (Howard County), Richard Lichenstein, MD (MIEMSS EMSC), James Matz (Baltimore City), Amanda McCartney (Johns Hopkins Bayview), Chad Packard (Vice Chair-BWI Fire & Rescue), Alex Perricone (Chair-Baltimore City), Marian Rongione (St. Joseph's), Richard Schenning (Baltimore County), Laura Taylor (Johns Hopkins Bayview), Curtis Wiggins (Carroll County)

#### On-Line:

Richard Alcorta, MD (MIEMSS State EMS Medical Director), Robert Asamoah (Northwest), Terrance Baker (Good Samaritan), Cynthia Balmaceda (Howard County General), Marissa Chandler (Harbor), Nancy Cimino (Union Memorial), Cindy Cohen (Mercy), Christine Deckard (Harford Memorial), Marie Dieter (Johns Hopkins Bayview), Anita Hagley (Baltimore City), Christina Hughes (Franklin Square), Paula Justice (Johns Hopkins Adult), Kathy Noll (Johns Hopkins Adult Trauma), Jennifer Osik (Upper Chesapeake)

- I. **Welcome & Introductions:** Chief Perricone welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were conducted in the room and for those on the phone.
  
- II. **Chair Report - Chief Perricone:**  
Due to computer error, the minutes from the May 23, 2018 meeting were lost. Members are asked to submit their report and notes to the Region III office to produce the minutes. There was no correspondence to report. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 23, 2019 at 1:00pm at MIEMSS Conference Room 212.
  
- III. Program Reports
  - A. SEMSAC/Legislative Update Roger Simonds
    1. SEMSAC Committee met this past month and discuss testing and certification process/national registry. The committee approved to continue the registry process
  - B. State EMS Medical Director Report - Dr. Richard Alcorta
    1. Dr. Tim Chizmar will serve as the Assistant EMS State Medical Director until November 1<sup>st</sup>



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2. Interviews are scheduled with two candidates for the MIEMSS Executive Director will take place on October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  3. Phase 1 of the MIEMSS communications upgrade is going according to plan
  4. Recent medicine shortages have increased recently to include fentanyl, morphine, cardizem, acedamine, magnesium sulfate and calcium
  5. The Office of Opioid Control Center has reactivated the \$200,000 grant from the Behavioral Health and Administration. Region III will be the lead contact. Jurisdictions will have to submit invoices in order to be reimbursed.
  6. MIEMSS is working with health departments and jurisdictions on the Naloxone leave behind program
  7. Data set for CRISP/EMEDS integration is complete. Talbot, Queen Anne's and Anne Arundel counties has signed MOU agreements and will use their data to test upload. Next step will be to get authorization for the medical directors to get access to reports
  8. Temperature and start time for IV fluids fields have been added to the short forms
  9. Co-Acting Executive Director Pat Gainer is working collecting data to justify the care and work EMS does in the healthcare arena and to get compensated in reference to SB 682, which requires MIEMSS with other agencies to generate a report on how can EMS be compensated for work on treated release of patients.
  10. Shock Trauma and Johns Hopkins submitted a grant application to build a partnership for disaster health response. The grant is for 2 years at \$3 million per year as part of the Maryland Ready Project
  11. MFRI and MSFA subcommittee will meet on the future of the ENR testing process and usage of the national registry
- C. MIEMSS Region III Report - Jeff Huggins
1. The Region III written report was distributed electronically and to those in attendance. A copy is included in the minutes.
- D. Maryland EMSC Report – Dr. Richard Lichenstein
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- E. MIEMSS Emergency Operations - Randy Linthicum
1. Continuing to work on the Ambulance Strike Team and Fleet Week, scheduled for next week
- F. MIEMSS Regional Programs - Andrew Naumann
1. Base Station Coordinators meeting will be held on October 16<sup>th</sup> at MIEMSS Conference Room 212. Each hospital must have a representative to attend
- IV. Committees
- A. Emergency Education Council – Jeff Huggins
1. Planning for EMS Care 2019 is underway. Staff that have any ideas for the conference to contact Paul Massarelli or Jeff Huggins.
- B. Maryland Region III Health & Medical Coalition - Christina Hughes



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1. The Region III written report was distributed electronically and to those in attendance. A copy is included in the minutes.
- C. Region III Medical Directors -Tim Chizmar, MD
  1. Discussion on Advanced EMT (AEMT) and what the preference was moving forward among the jurisdictions. Other regions are taking a look at whether AEMT will be useful. A consensus was not reached during today's meeting amongst the group. Discussions will continue on the regional level and with the new Executive Director
  2. Medical shortages to include injectable Benadryl. There is sufficient supply out in the field at this time.
  3. VAIP Committee will meet tomorrow from 9am-11am at MIEMSS
  4. Search for a new Region III Medical Director – there are two interested and qualified candidates. Dr. Chizmar has requested CDs and will forward to the Council Leadership for review and approval
- V. Prevention Activities - Council Membership: none to report
- VI. Old Business – none to report
- VII. New Business
  - A. Dick Johnson inquired about ballistic ambulances and whether the state is looking into them.
  - B. Nominations for Council Elections – Chief Perricone asked for volunteers in the Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary positions of the Council. James Matz from Baltimore City has volunteered. Others who were interested may e-mail Jeff Huggins at [jhuggins@miemss.org](mailto:jhuggins@miemss.org).
  - C. Election Cycle – Roger Simonds and Dick Johnson suggested with these elections to carry a 3-year term through 2021
- VIII. Regional Roundtable Reports
  - A. EMS
    1. Annapolis – not present
    2. Anne Arundel
      - a) Active shooter training to roll out within 2-3 months
    3. Baltimore City
      - a) Fleet week October 3-9
      - b) Elite Migration to take place on October 22<sup>nd</sup>
      - c) Academy of 33 EMTs began last week and new academy to start soon
    4. Baltimore County
      - a) Working on hiring recruits
      - b) Working with their health department for recovery specialist on opioids and Naloxone Leave Behind Program
    5. BWI
      - a) 6 new paramedic firefighters have completed training



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- b) Looking for a place to store 2 pallets of bleed control kits they have received
  - c) Setting up CPR classes
  - d) Preparing for Elite
  - e) The CPR kiosks have reached 10,000 people completing the training
  6. Carroll - nothing to report
  7. Harford
    - a) The Department of Emergency Services' 2<sup>nd</sup> paid unit to be in service after 1/1/2019 and will bring the total units to 10
    - b) Active shooter training ongoing; had their 2<sup>nd</sup> active shooter event in a year
  8. Howard
    - a) Elite training for providers beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>
    - b) Paramedic program has 13 EMTs that will be paramedics and will be that will be transitioning
    - c) Training Class #31 to begin on February 4<sup>th</sup>
    - d) Stop the bleed kits have been distributed to government buildings
    - e) Howard County has partnered with the schools and all 9<sup>th</sup> graders will have the Stop the Bleed training class as part of their curriculum
- B. Health Depts.- not present
- C. Hospitals
1. Anne Arundel Medical Center – not present
  2. Baltimore Washington Medical Center - nothing to report
  3. Bon Secours Hospital – not present
  4. Carroll Hospital Center – not present
  5. Franklin Square Hospital – nothing to report
  6. Good Samaritan Hospital –
    - a) Dr. Terry Muns has left as Chairman of Emergency Services
    - b) Dr. Scruggs to stay as Chairman of the hospital
    - c) Dr. Karl will take over as Vice Chairman of Emergency Department
    - d) Base station class will be held on October 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am to 12:30pm
  7. Greater Baltimore Medical Center – not present
  8. Harbor Hospital – nothing to report
  9. Harford Memorial Hospital – nothing to report
  10. Howard County General Hospital
    - a) Base station course will be held on October 18<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 12pm
  11. Johns Hopkins Bayview Hospital
    - a) EMS Education Class scheduled for October 15<sup>th</sup>
  12. Johns Hopkins Hospital
    - a) Chem drill exercise to be held Friday morning. EMS staff is asked to use caution on the bay entrance, as there will be lots of activity.



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13. Johns Hopkins Hospital Pediatrics – not present
  14. Mercy Medical Center
    - a) Epic will go live Saturday at 4am
  15. Northwest Hospital Center
    - a) Robert Asamoah asked if there is a policy on collecting sharps. Baltimore City, Howard County and Carroll County have 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendors, Chief Schenning is having discussions with Baltimore County
  16. R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center
    - a) EMS education class to be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>
    - b) Airway class to be held on October 5<sup>th</sup> and October 26<sup>th</sup>
  17. Sinai Hospital – nothing to report
  18. Saint Agnes Hospital – not present
  19. Saint Joseph's Hospital - nothing to report
  20. Union Memorial Hospital – nothing to report
  21. University of Maryland Medical Center – not present
  22. University of Maryland Medical Center Midtown – not present
  23. Upper Chesapeake Medical Center
    - a) Heather Beauchamp has been named Associate Vice President of Critical Care
    - b) The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Emergency Manager Nursing Conference will be held on October 11<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 5pm at Level Firehouse. For information, call 443-643-2120
    - c) Base station class on October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10am to 1pm at MIEMSS
- D. Commercial Ambulance – not present
- E. MSP – not present
- F. MCAC
  1. Planning a future liaison training – will be a 8-hour class
- G. Training Institutions / MFRI – nothing to report
- H. MEMA – not present
- IX. Meeting Adjourned



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#### MIEMSS Region III Office Written Report to Council September 26, 2018

**EMS Care 2018:** Save the date! April 24-28, 2019. EMS Care 2019 planning is already underway, we look forward to seeing everyone next year.

**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'.

**ALS Funding Grants:** FY2019 funding request guidelines have been distributed to the EMS Operational Programs. Funding requests are due to the Region III Office by COB Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.

**State Homeland Security Grant Program:** FY2018 applications have been reviewed and approved by regional affairs. Award letters have been distributed, and should be returned if not done so already.

**Voluntary Ambulance Inspection Programs:** Fall VAIP's are in the process of being scheduled.

**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 26, 2018**

The 2018 triage tag dates will continue quarterly. The next dates are October 3-7. The July compilation revealed the same trends...missing age, vital signs, treatment, and unit number.

There is a Coalition board available to use for health and medical coalition purposes on the state WebEOC system. Access for all health and medical partners is complete.

Allocation of Scarce Resources framework is being looked at by the Hopkins team.

Members of the Coalition participated in the CCTA project assessment with other UASI partners.

The Coalition continues to keep the website current.

The Coalition continues to work with the MD First to move forward with a radio purchase for partners in the Region.

Discussions with CRISP partners have continued. Await access for regional hospital reps.

Many lessons learned and areas for improvement were identified from the 2 day JCTAWS (Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series). We continue to work on corrective action items.

The UASI Alternate Care Site cache as the USAR warehouse has been relocated to Carroll County and Bayview's storage warehouse. Work continues to sort through the equipment and relocate some.

The ACS will co-exist with the GBMC gym while a new gym is constructed. Await official letter from GBMC officials that has been completed. Timeline for return of the building to the Coalition is 24 months from 2/18.

The Coalition is continuing discussion with MSP to ensure that consistent processes are in place regarding healthcare worker expectations for road travel during emergencies.

HPP regional projects for the last budget period are complete. Active assailant kits were procured and distributed as well as radiation monitor portals.

The Coalition is collaborating with the new fire and EMS rep at the MCAC.



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**Maryland Region III Health and Medical Coalition  
Report to the MIEMSS Region III EMS Advisory Council  
September 26, 2018  
(Continued)**

The group is collaborating with the MDH Ebola Planner to work on training opportunities for regional partners. Await feedback on next steps.

Await feedback from MDH as to guidance from CDC for hospital CHEMPACK needed supplies to be stocked since auto injectors have been removed. MedStar has convened a team to work on this on behalf of CHEMPACK hospitals.

The Coalition has begun to discuss concerns regarding PPE expiration and need for replacement with MDH.

BP-1 supplemental HPP regional application approval received. We will be hiring a training and exercise coordinator. Our regional coordinator position is currently vacant at MDH. The next Region III Health & Medical Coalition meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2018.