

**State EMS Advisory Board – Executive Committee Meeting**  
**Courtyard by Marriott – Glen Allen, VA**  
**February 4, 2016**  
**11:00 AM**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Members Absent:</b>	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>Others:</b>
<b>Gary P. Critzer, Chair</b> <b>Central Shenandoah EMS Council</b>	Bruce W. Edwards (Excused) Board of Health EMS Representative	Gary R. Brown	<b>Heather Davis</b> <b>CJW – Chippenham Hospital</b>
<b>Genemarie McGee, Vice Chair</b> <b>Tidewater EMS Council</b>		P. Scott Winston	<b>Paul Sharpe</b> <b>Henrico Doctors Hospital</b>
<b>David Hoback</b> <b>Virginia Fire Chiefs Association</b>		George Lindbeck, MD	<b>Marsh Cuttino</b> <b>Henrico Doctors Hospital</b>
<b>Marilyn McLeod, MD</b> <b>Blue Ridge EMS Council</b>		Michael Berg	<b>Christopher Lindsay</b> <b>Henrico Doctors Hospital</b>
<b>Christopher L. Parker</b> <b>VA Emergency Nurses Association /</b> <b>Virginia Nurses Association</b>		Warren Short	<b>Chad Blosser</b> <b>Central Shenandoah EMS</b> <b>Council</b>
<b>Ronald Passmore</b> <b>Southwest Virginia EMS Council</b>		Robin Pearce	<b>Allen Yee, MD</b> <b>Chesterfield Fire-EMS</b>
		Irene Hamilton	

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<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	The Chair, Gary Critzer, called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.	
<b>Approval of the Agenda</b>	The draft agenda was approved as presented.	
<b>Approval of the December 18, 2015 and January 7, 2016 Minutes</b>	The draft minutes from the December 18, 2015 meeting and the January 7, 2016 meetings were approved as presented.	
<b>Legislative Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• REPLICA - Mr. Critzer reported that the REPLICA bill has passed the Health, Welfare and Institutions (HWI) committee and the full House and is on the docket for the Senate. They do not anticipate any issues with the bill passing in the Senate.</li> <li>• HB311 - Gary Brown discussed HB311, which was introduced by Delegate Orrock. Mr. Brown explained that since REPLICA requires 10 states to enact legislation before it goes into effect, which could take a while, Delegate Orrock would like to see EMS establish collaborative agreements with our border states that would allow EMS providers to cross state lines. Mr. Brown said that this is a Section 1 bill and they have to report back to the General Assembly regarding their efforts on this bill by November 1. Mr. Brown is hopeful that REPLICA will be enacted by 10 or more states, especially Virginia's border states, which would make this bill unnecessary.</li> <li>• Mr. Brown said that any other bills that affect EMS have been included in his weekly</li> </ul>	

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	<p>legislative reports that he sends out in weekly emails.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal Legislation Related to DEA – Mr. Critzer asked the meeting attendees to encourage their representatives at the federal level to support the DEA legislation. He said that Central Shenandoah EMS Council (CSEMS) has sent a letter to the delegate in their area and he offered to share the template with anyone interested.</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Lindbeck elaborated explaining that the National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP) put together a tool kit for stakeholders. He sent the tool kit to Chad Blosser and asked him to send them out to all the Regional EMS Council Directors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Safe Haven Law – David Hoback explained that the Safe Haven Law allows a mother or family member to drop an infant off. The law indicates that they can drop the infant at a 24 hours emergency room or a rescue squad staffed by EMTs. They are trying to change the law so that it also includes fire departments staffed with EMTs.</li> </ul>	
<b>VPHIB Status</b>	<p>Mr. Brown said due to the departure of Paul Sharpe, the former Manager of the Trauma and Critical Care Division, OEMS has been assessing the program. They have been meeting internally with the Trauma and Critical Care staff; and conferencing with ImageTrend and the VDH Office of Information Management (OIM).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on the Migration to NEMESIS v3 – Mr. Brown explained that the Office of EMS has decided to use the national hardcore deadline dates instead of the implementation plan with the groupings and timelines that has been published on the OEMS website.</li> </ul> <p>He said that as of December 31, 2016 Version 2 will no longer be accepted. As of January 1, 2017, data must be submitted in Version 3 format. Therefore, all groups will get until December 31, 2016 to convert to Version 3.</p> <p>Mr. Winston added that OEMS also plans to identify agencies within the groups with deadlines that have passed and who have not transitioned to Version 3, and once identified, reach out to those agencies to offer assistance to help them transition to Version 3.</p> <p>It was pointed out that the ImageTrend software is not billing friendly which is a hindrance for some EMS agencies in converting to Version 3.</p> <p>Mr. Brown said that he will be drafting an announcement next week that will be sent out to all EMS agencies announcing the new December 31, 2016 deadline.</p>	
<b>ACS Workgroup – February 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting</b>	<p>Mr. Critzer announced that there is a meeting scheduled on Thursday, February 11, at the Courtyard by Marriott Virginia Center at 8 AM. The Trauma Oversight &amp; Management Committee (TSOMC) planned this meeting to begin talking about the rollout. Dr. Aboutanos should be sending Mr. Critzer a</p>	<b>Mr. Critzer will have a conversation with Dr. Aboutanos to get the suggested names of the</b>

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	<p>list of suggested individuals to participate in the workgroup. The Executive Committee needs to approve the workgroup.</p> <p>Originally, TSOMC wanted to have a closed meeting, but Mr. Critzer emphasized that all meetings must be open to the public. Robin Pearce reported that Dr. Aboutanos understands now that it must be an open meeting, and that he is working on the list of individuals for the workgroup.</p> <p>Genemarie McGee suggested, as a compromise, to ask the TSOMC to develop the Trauma Plan as a straw man. After they have developed the Plan, then all stakeholders can review the Plan and offer comments and suggested changes. Ms. McGee pointed out that EMS is a very small, but important, part of Trauma Services. She feels that no one knows what should be included in the Trauma Plan better than the TSOMC. Ms. McGee said she also questions whether Trauma Services should be reporting to the EMS community; or if it should be possibly reporting into the Department of Health.</p> <p>Dr. McLeod pointed out that at the last joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the TSOMC, they agreed that TSOMC would write the Plan; and agreed that workgroup would consist of the trauma community with the exception of a couple of individuals outside of trauma.</p>	<p><b>workgroup.</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Critzer, with the okay of the Executive Committee, agrees that the workgroup should have a 60-90 day timeframe for developing milestones for completing the Plan.</b></p>
<b>Education Update – Training Funds, EMT-I</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AEMT – Mr. Short reported that on April 1 they plan to bring the system down and transfer all their current enhanced certified providers and make them an AEMT. It will not change their expiration dates or their CE.</li> <li>• New CE Program – Mr. Short reported that they are still on course for moving towards the new CE program in the first part of July.</li> <li>• EMS Training Funds Program – Mr. Short said that they are in the process of completing a final product, which recommends how to revise the EMS Training Funds Program for Gary Brown and Scott Winston to review with the hope of distributing the information sometime in March.</li> <li>• EMT-I Workgroup – The workgroup has held a couple of webinars and they have conducted one survey. Based on the survey results, they have some follow up questions they want to ask; and Mr. Short is waiting on those questions so he can launch the next survey. There is another webinar scheduled next week.</li> </ul>	
<b>Bylaw Change – Multiyear Committee Appointments</b>	<p>Mr. Critzer said that the Bylaws currently statethat committee appointments are for one year. One-year appointments can prove problematic especially because a lot of times before committee members can complete projects it is time for new committee appointments. Therefore it has been suggested that committee appointments should be multiyear appointments. Mr. Critzer said that this will require a Bylaw change. He said he will draft the Bylaw change and present it at the May 2016 meeting.</p>	<p><b>Mr. Critzer will ask the EMS Advisory Board for approval to extend the committee terms until a Bylaw change can be written and approved by the full EMS Advisory Board.</b></p>
<b>Committee Work/Actions – Coordinators</b>	<p>Coordinators had nothing to report.</p>	
<b>Report from Dr. Yee Regarding MIHC Workgroup</b>	<p>Dr. Yee gave a report based on the work done by the Mobile Integrated HealthCare Workgroup. The presentation gave some background information, as well as talked about what Mobile Integrated</p>	<p><b>Mr. Critzer asked Dr. Yee to give this presentation at the State EMS</b></p>

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	<p>HealthCare means for Virginia. The presentation discussed the challenges and opportunities.</p>  <p>Adobe Acrobat Document</p>	<p><b>Advisory Board meeting on Friday.</b></p>
<b>Open Discussion</b>	None	
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	None	
<b>Adjournment</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 PM.	

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