

**EMS for Children Committee Meeting**  
**Virginia Office of EMS**  
**1041 Technology Park Drive, Glen Allen, VA**  
**April 11, 2013**  
**3-5 p.m.**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>OEMS Staff:</b>	<b>Others:</b>
<b>Robin Foster, MD</b> , VCU, EMSC Committee Chair	<b>Wanda Street</b> , VDH, OEMS, Secretary Sr.	Lori Harbour, Chippenham and Johnston Willis Hospitals, EMS Coordinator
<b>David P. Edwards, MBA</b> , VDH, OEMS, Virginia EMS for Children Coordinator		Valeta Daniels, Henrico Doctors, EMS Liaison
<b>Petra Connell, Ph.D., MPH</b> , EMSC Family Representative		Kelly Rumsey, Pediatric Trauma Coordinator of VCU
<b>Theresa Guins, MD</b> , Pediatric ED Physician, EMSC Program Medical Director		Juma Henson, John Randolph Hospital, EMS Coordinator
<b>Emily Womble</b> , Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Child Fatality Review		
<b>Kae Bruch</b> , Virginia Association of School Nurses Representative		
<b>Alice Ackerman, MD</b> , Department Chair of Pediatrics, Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital		
<b>Heather Board</b> , VDH, Division of Injury & Violence Prevention		
<b>Frank Romero</b> , Emergency Medical Technician, Field Provider Representative		
<b>George Lindbeck</b> , State Medical Director		
<b>Stephen Rea</b> , TJEMS Regional Council Director		
<b>Gary Brown</b> , VDH, Office of EMS, Director		

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<b>Call to order:</b>	The meeting was called to order at 3:09 p.m. by Dr. Foster.	
<b>Approval of Minutes from the October 4, 2012 meeting:</b>	A motion was made to review and approve the minutes. The motion was moved by Dr. Guins and seconded by Petra.	<b>The minutes were approved as submitted.</b>
<b>Introductions:</b>	Everyone around the room introduced themselves.	
<b>Chairperson's Report – Dr. Robin Foster:</b>	Dr. Foster said that the EPC Course (Emergency Pediatric Care) has been going very well. She shared material from one of the lectures and one of the textbooks. The first pilot program was done in August 2012 and the next one was March 16 & 17, 2013 and had 8 or 9 providers. The capacity of the course is 25. The next course is in Petersburg, hosted by Southside Regional Medical Center on June 1 & 2. It is open to all surrounding EMS agencies. The course was announced at the EMS Advisory Board Meeting in February. A request was made from Fauquier County to teach there and it is scheduled the second weekend in September. The course will also be taught at symposium in November. The	

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	<p>cost of the course is \$25. At symposium, there is no fee for the course; but you must pay for your symposium registration. The host determines whether food is involved. If interested in holding a course in your area, contact Dr. Foster by email – <a href="mailto:rlfoster@hsc.vcu.edu">rlfoster@hsc.vcu.edu</a>. This course is not intended to replace PALS, PEPP or any other course.</p> <p>The Office of EMS is in the process of updating the State EMS Plan which has to be updated every three years. Dr. Foster attended the Training Certification Committee (TCC) yesterday, which was her first time attending to represent the EMSC Committee. They talked about updating the State EMS Plan and made a few changes to the EMSC areas of the Plan. Dr. Guins added that in the Medical Direction Committee they also discussed some changes to the EMSC areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) In section 2.2.5, under the Objective, delete “and primary care providers.”</li> <li>2) In section 3.1.5, add EMSC to the Accountability column.</li> <li>3) Also in section 4.1.7, the Action Step should say “Assist in assessing the pediatric emergency care readiness of all Virginia Emergency Departments.”</li> </ol> <p><b>A motion was made by Dr. Guins to accept the above changes to the EMS State Plan. The motion was seconded by Petra. All committee members agreed to the changes and the motion passed.</b></p> <p>A link to the current EMS State Plan is attached. <a href="http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/OEMS/EMSPlan/StateEMSPlan.pdf">http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/OEMS/EMSPlan/StateEMSPlan.pdf</a></p>	
<p><b>OEMS Report – David Edwards/Gary Brown:</b></p>	<p>David mentioned that as for the OEMS budget, \$400,000 of the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund has to be earmarked toward 12-Lead EKG equipment and \$90,000 of the fund has to be reserved for funding of background checks. Gary mentioned that the Poison Centers will be funded \$1 million and distributed among the three centers based on population and not call volume. Each center will receive an increase in funding over on the past distribution of \$500,000 for the three centers. This is great news for the poison centers.</p>	
<p><b>EMSC Program Report – David Edwards:</b></p>	<p>David’s written report is attached.</p>  <p>EMSC Program Report 041113.pdf</p> <p>The committee discussed ways to get the responses needed for the survey. Check with the hospital CEO, send email blasts, etc.</p> <p>They also discussed distribution of the Broselow Tapes. It was suggested to give them to the EMS Regional Councils and let them distribute them to the agencies. David will bring them to the Directors Group meeting in May.</p> <p>Dr. Guins gave an update on the Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP) program. The stakeholder’s group meeting was held on October 15, 2012. There was representation from physicians groups, hospitals and VHHA. VHHA does not want to have any pediatric designation. Considering all of the feedback from the stakeholders, David, Petra and Dr. Guins met many times to revise the criteria and have developed a four-level system to encompass all of the facilities in Virginia. The revisions are almost complete and will be sent out to the committee. The next step is to get the four-level system out to the stakeholders and probably have another meeting with them. When received, David will release the data from the National Pediatric Readiness Project to the stakeholders to encourage buy-in.</p>	<p><b>David will distribute the Broselow Tapes to the Regional Directors in May.</b></p>

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	David will send the stakeholders an update letting them know what is going on with the voluntary EDAP program saying something to the effect that the criteria was revised into a four-level system based on all of the feedback from the meeting and the new criteria will be provided shortly.	David will send an update to the stakeholders.
<b>EMSC Family Representative Report – Petra Connell:</b>	<p><b>Collaborative Tool Kit Applauded by National Organizations Wanting to Improve Transfer Processes for the Pediatric Patient</b></p> <p>Two weeks ago, the EMS for Children National Resource Center, the Emergency Nurses Association, and the Society of Trauma Nurses released the <a href="#">Inter-Facility Tool Kit for the Pediatric Patient</a>. Since its release, the EMSC Program is proud to announce that the following organizations/groups have made the new product available to their members via member websites and special member listserv announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency Nurse Association</li> <li>• Society of Trauma Nurses</li> <li>• Pediatric Trauma Society</li> <li>• Trauma Center Association of America</li> <li>• Texas EMS, Trauma &amp; Acute Care Foundation</li> </ul> <p><i>Please note that the tool kit will automatically download to your desktop. To take full advantage of its interactive features, allow the tool kit to open in full screen mode.</i></p>	
<b>Committee Member Organization Reports:</b>	<p><b>Kae Bruch</b> – The Virginia Association of School Nurses has partnered with the Virginia Epilepsy Foundation and is having several CNE programs for all school nurses both LPNs and RNs.</p> <p><b>Alice Ackerman</b> – Dr. Ackerman thanked Dave for his letter of support for an EMSC Grant that Carilion has applied for. They are working on a hand held application that can do several things such as incorporate a triage scene. The goal is to work on the triage tool the first year and work on the app the second year. After which they will introduce the app and provide training to local EMS at Botetourt and Roanoke County.</p>	
<b>Old Business:</b>	None.	
<b>New Business:</b>	None.	
<b>Public Comment:</b>	None.	
<b>Adjournment:</b>	<p>The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:54 p.m.</p> <p><b>The tentative meeting dates for 2013 are: July 11, October 10</b></p>	