

**Training and Certification Committee**  
**OEMS Office – 1041 Technology Park Dr, Glen Allen, Virginia**  
**July 10, 2013**  
**10:30 am**

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Larry Oliver – Chair Kathy Eubank William Ferguson Dr. Robin Foster Mike Garnett Dr. Charles Lane Rick McClure Stephen Rea	Holly Frost Tom Nevetral	Warren Short Greg Neiman Debbie Akers	Cathy Cockrell Jason Ambrose Marcia Pescitani

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<b>I. Welcome</b>	The meeting was called to order at 10:33 am.	
<b>II. Introductions</b>	Committee Members and Guests introduced themselves	
<b>III. Approval of Agenda</b>	The Committee reviewed the Agenda for today's meeting. <b>(Attached)</b>	<b>Motion By Rick McClure Second by Steve Rassmussen Unanimously approved</b>
<b>IV. Approval of Minutes</b>	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the April 10, 2013 Quarterly Meeting <b>(Attachment: A)</b>	<b>Motion by: Steve Rassmussen To approve the July 11, 2012 Minutes of the TCC Seconded by: Rick McClure Unanimously Approved.</b>
<b>V. Reports of Committee Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Officer Reports               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Thank you to the sub-committee members for all their work</li> </ul> </li> <li>B. Reports of Committee Members               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chair Report – a number of issues to address today. Have struggled in the past with the representative groups to this committee so will be addressing today.</li> <li>2. Medical Direction: Dr. Charles Lane – not present</li> <li>3. Sub committee meeting tomorrow</li> </ul> </li> <li>C. Office of EMS               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. BLS Training Specialist – Greg Neiman</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Greg Neiman passed the VEMSES exam and is now an Education Coordinator</li> <li>b. EC Institute <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. June 8-12, 2013 in conjunction with VAVRS in Blacksburg. Had 15 candidates and one person was given Conditional.</li> <li>ii. Next EC Psychomotor Exam is scheduled for early August 17, 2013</li> <li>iii. Next Institute is scheduled for September</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. The DED Division has gone back on the road for 2013. See the latest schedule on our Webpage: <a href="http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/OEMS/Training/EMS_InstructorSchedule.htm">http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/OEMS/Training/EMS_InstructorSchedule.htm</a></li> </ul> </li> <li>d. VEMSES testing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Proceeding along. No real change in pass rates. Multiple-guess EMT questions continue to be the weakest area.</li> <li>ii. Still planning to roll out new essay sets soon.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. ALS Training Specialist – Warren Short</li> <li>3. Accreditation/Funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Accreditation Report (<b>Attachment: B</b>)</li> <li>b. EMS Training Fund (<b>Attachment: C</b>)</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Certification Testing – Peter Brown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Psychomotor Testing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Have completed a year and it all appears to be going well</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Same-day retesting primarily being done in the Western Area</li> <li>c. Two new examiners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Lisa Davis</li> <li>ii. Nakia James</li> </ul> </li> <li>d. Requests for Evaluator Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Planning to update the training material. Do we need a committee?</li> <li>ii. Tom Nevetral work group should include Test Reps and Council Coordinators</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Division of Educational Development – Warren Short <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Policy T-116 (<b>Attachment: D</b>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Question from Steve Rea about possibly lowering the number from 15 to 10.</li> <li>ii. Tom Nevetral expressed some concern about accredited programs with even smaller numbers.</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Working on the OMD component of the Portal, shooting for a November roll-out. Will provide a lot of information to the Medical Directors</li> <li>c. Web-based Enrollment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Webinars beginning in August. All EC's will receive e-mails about the Web Enrollment process for Certification Programs. Will be provided at different times to accommodate as many folks as possible.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Tom Nevetral will chair the workgroup.</b></p> <p><b>Stephen Rea will chair a workgroup</b></p>

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	<p>6. Regulation &amp; Compliance – Scott Winston</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Interviews are being conducted today to fill the open Program Representative position in Northern Virginia.</li> <li>b. 2013 General Assembly items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Elimination of the Waiver process for Recertification Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Held up due to regulatory issues</li> <li>2. OEMS is working on a fast-track process to change the Regulations</li> <li>3. Hoping to complete the needed changes within 90 days</li> </ul> </li> <li>ii. Removing the requirement for obtaining a signature of a Physician after medication and procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Held up due to change needed in Board of Pharmacy Regulations</li> <li>2. Board of Pharmacy is going through an exempt action and hope to see the requirement removed within 60 days</li> </ul> </li> <li>iii. Requirement of fingerprint FBI Criminal background check for new EMS volunteers/employees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Delayed due to waiting on equipment needed to scan the fingerprints</li> <li>2. Finalizing policies and procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. How to appeal if you feel information is inaccurate</li> <li>b. Need to provide information to the regions and agencies waiting on approval</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>iv. Community Paramedicine Programs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Have been approached by a number of agencies interested in starting programs.</li> <li>2. Fueled by the reduced Medicare reimbursement for readmission within 30 days</li> <li>3. Notified that these programs may violate Home Healthcare Regulations.</li> <li>4. Addressing some of the questions.</li> <li>5. Expect it to be on the agenda for the next EMS Advisory Board</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">DISCUSSION</p> <p>7. Other Office Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Gary Brown – No Report</li> </ul>	
<b>VII. Previous Business</b>	<p>A. HB1856 – Training Disparities, Delivery and Availability of Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Workgroup has met once and projects have been assigned.</li> <li>2. Looking to meet again by late August/Early September</li> <li>3. Report due October 15<sup>th</sup> to the Commissioner</li> </ul>	

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	<p>B. 2014 TCC composition (<b>Attachment: E</b>)</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p><b>Motion By: Holly Frost</b>  <b>To address the composition of the Training and Certification Committee</b>  <b>Seconded by Rick McClure</b>  <b>Unanimously Approved as amended.</b></p>
<b>VII. New Business</b>	<p>A. Testing time-limits: State vs NR – Tom Nevetral  We have a number of students finish programs who never test. Should we consider a change in the testing timeline?  Discussion</p> <p>B. EMT Best Practices – Tom Nevetral  We have some programs that are doing great with high pass rates. Can we convene a group to look at best practices? Should we send out a survey?</p> <p>C. NR Test Statistics (<b>Attachment: F</b>)  Document was reviewed</p> <p>D. ALS-Competency List – Workgroup Rick McClure (Attachment: G)  a. Addendum A: The Use of High-Fidelity Simulation</p> <p>E. Enhanced/AEMT Recert CE Workgroup</p>	<p><b>Billy Ferguson will chair the workgroup.</b></p> <p><b>Motion By Tom</b>  <b>Second by Steve</b>  <b>Motion By: Mike</b>  <b>Second by Tom</b></p> <p><b>Mike garnett will chair the workgroup</b></p>
<b>VIII. Public Comment</b>	<p>Tom Nevetral requested if GEMS programs may be considered for RSAF funding in the future. Warren Short reminded everyone that Holly is leaving her current position with NVCC but will continue some involvement in EMS.</p>	
<b>IX. Dates for 2013 Meetings</b>	January 9, April 10, July 10, October 9	
<b>X. Adjourn</b>	Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm	

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Wednesday, April 10, 2013  
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10:30 AM  
Meeting Agenda

- I. Welcome**
- II. Introductions**
- III. Approval of Agenda**
- IV. Approval of Minutes from July 11, 2012**
- V. Review of discussions from January 9, 2013 meeting**
- VI. Reports of Committee Members**
  - a. Officer Reports
  - b. Reports of Committee Members
    - i. Chairman Report
    - ii. Medical Direction Committee - Dr. Charles Lane
    - iii. Others
  - c. Office of EMS
    - i. BLS Training Specialist - Greg Neiman, OEMS
    - ii. ALS Training Specialist - Debbie Akers, OEMS
    - iii. Funding and Accreditation – Debbie Akers, OEMS
    - iv. Certification Testing Coordinator – Peter Brown, OEMS
    - v. Division of Educational Development (DED) - Warren Short, OEMS
    - vi. Regulation & Compliance – Michael Berg, OEMS
    - vii. Other Office Staff
- VII. Previous Business-~~none~~**
- VIII. New Business**
  - a. State EMS Plan
  - b. HB1856 – Training Disparities, Delivery and Availability of Training
  - c. Development of BLS Template
  - d. OMD Appeals Process
  - e. 2014 TCC composition
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**Attachment: A to the  
April 10, 2013 TCC Minutes**

**Approved  
July 11, 2012  
Minutes of the TCC**

**Attachment: B to the  
April 10, 2013 TCC Minutes**

**Discussions from January 9, 2013  
meeting of TCC with no Quorum**

**Attachment: C to the  
April 10, 2013 TCC Minutes**

**Accreditation Report**

**Attachment: D to the  
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**EMSTF Reports**

**Attachment: E to the  
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**Virginia National Registry Test  
Statistics**

**Attachment: F to the  
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**Pearson Vue test Locations in  
Virginia**

**Attachment: G to the  
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**State EMS Plan**

**Attachment: H to the  
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**HB 1856**

**Attachment: I to the  
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**TCC Composition for 2014**