

**EMS for Children Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of EMS
1041 Technology Park Drive, Glen Allen, VA
April 10, 2014
3-5 p.m.**

Members Present:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Robin Foster, MD , VCU, EMSC Committee Chair	Gary Brown, VDH, OEMS, Director	Valeta Daniels, Henrico Doctors, EMS Liaison
David Edwards , VDH, OEMS, EMSC Program Manager	Wanda Street, VDH, OEMS, Secretary Sr.	Kelley Rumsey, VCU, Pediatric Trauma Coordinator
Petra Connell, Ph.D., MPH , EMSC Family Representative		
Theresa Guins, MD , Pediatric ED Physician, EMSC Program Medical Director		
Paul Sharpe , VDH, OEMS, Trauma/Critical Care Coordinator		
Heather Board , VDH, Division of Injury & Violence Prevention		
Barbara Kahler, MD , VA American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Representative		
Kae Bruch , Virginia Association of School Nurses Representative		
Emily Womble , VDH, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Child Fatality Review		
Heidi Hooker , Regional EMS Council Representative		
Sam Bartle , American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) Representative		
Alice Ackerman , Pediatrician Member-at-Large		

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Dr. Foster.	
Introductions:	No introductions were necessary.	
Approval of minutes from January 9, 2014 meeting:	A motion was made to review and approve the minutes. The motion was moved by Kae Bruch and seconded by Petra Connell. The minutes were approved as submitted.	The minutes were approved as submitted.
Chairperson's Report – Dr. Robin Foster:	Dr. Foster reported that there will be a Pediatric Track at the symposium (34 hours of pediatric courses). EPC will also be taught again at symposium which will make a total of 50 hours of pediatric courses. She thanked everyone for their involvement in making this happen. Two other EPC courses will be taught this calendar year prior to symposium.	
OEMS Report – Paul Sharpe:	Paul received a draft of the new ACS trauma guidelines yesterday and has not read it yet. He will review it to see if it has any impact.	

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	<p>On the national level, Virginia is getting closer to an Interstate Compact for EMS providers similar to what nursing has and a physician's compact is soon to follow.</p> <p>The community paramedicine also known as integrated mobile healthcare is not within the scope of practice according to the Attorney General. Some agencies are starting to do this; however, legislation may be introduced next year to correct this.</p> <p>Paul mentioned that EMS is getting closer to the new EMS dataset. The new trauma registry has been up since January and the non-designated hospitals are submitting and everything is going great and hopefully this will continue to run smoothly when the designated trauma centers start submitting in the next few weeks.</p>	
<p>EMSC Program Report – David Edwards:</p>	<p>Below is Dave's full report:</p>  <p>EMSC Program Report 041014 (2).pc</p> <p>Dave thanked everyone for their help in getting responses from the agencies for the survey. There was an 85% response rate. Virginia received the best response rate than any other state.</p> <p>Dave also mentioned that the EPC course is using a PEPP 3rd Edition textbook. Dave will be using some funds to purchase textbooks. He will also be purchasing pediatric training mannequins, child immobilization devices and about 1,000 more Broselow Tapes.</p> <p>Dr. Ackerman asked if anyone has any information on a length-based tape for antidotes. Dr. Guins just happened to have one in her bag. David may also have funding to purchase some of these tapes as well.</p> <p>Dr. Bartle said that the Health Department has asked ACEP to provide a pediatric view of what needs to be done as far as planning and resources during a disaster. There needs to be a designated disaster champion in each medical center to contact during an event or incident. Dr. Ackerman said that they started to work on something like this a few years ago and it has recently resurfaced. A pediatric preparedness conference is scheduled on June 17. Dr. Foster suggested that EMS for Children attend the conference and distribute the antidote tapes. These tapes would be useful for hospitals, EMS agencies, daycares, schools and any other facility in direct contact with children. A tentative agenda of the conference will be forwarded to David and he will post the conference on the OEMS website.</p>	
<p>EMSC Family Representative Report – Petra Connell:</p>	<p>Petra shared the following information via email: The March 2014 Issue of Clinical Pediatric Emergency Medicine focuses on EMSC. The issue features 15 publications written by EMSC champions, including Program grantees and State Partnership advisory committee members. Check it out at: http://www.clinpedemergencymed.com/</p> <p>Additionally, I would like to encourage each Committee member to consider submitting an EMSC award nomination this year...it is not too late... Thanks!</p>	
<p>Committee Member Organization Reports:</p>	<p>Barbara Kahler – The Annual Leadership Forum (ALF) was held in March and there were no discussions that would impact this committee.</p>	

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	<p>Alice Ackerman – No report.</p> <p>Theresa Guins – No report.</p> <p>Heidi Hooker – The Regional Councils awards are coming soon so nominations are being accepted.</p> <p>Heather Board – No report.</p> <p>Kae Bruch – HOUSE BILL 134 did pass and diabetic students will be allowed to do their own testing outside of the clinic. The school nurses were strongly opposed to this bill. There was much discussion about what is wrong with the bill and how dangerous this is for the children. There will possible be legislation introduced next year to avert this bill.</p> <p>Emily Womble – No report.</p>	
Special Presentation:	No presentation was scheduled for this meeting.	
Old/Unfinished Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Summary Results & Next Steps (Pediatric Readiness Assessment – national hospital ED survey) – David has a slide presentation which is almost complete. He may present it at the next meeting. • Reassessment 2014 Completed (EMS Agencies Survey) – Discussed by David in his report. • Pediatric Training (EPC & Other) – Discussed by Dr. Foster in the chair report. • Pediatric Track at Annual EMS Symposium – Discussed by Dr. Foster in the chair report. • Pediatric Trauma Centers – Dr. Guins gave a brief update on the status of this. The Trauma System Oversight & Management Committee (TSO&MC) met in December and decided that there would only be one level of pediatric trauma center in Virginia. The pediatric guidelines were incorporated into the Level I trauma center guidelines. At the March TSO&MC, it was decided to make a separate column for the pediatric designation in the trauma designation manual. A pediatric workgroup was formed to work on this and they will meet the end of April. During the discussion, many committee members, who are EMS agency staff, voiced their concerns about where to transport the sick child. Dr. Foster stated that at the end of the day, we are here to advocate the best care of children. • Poison Centers Update – No update at this time. • Other 	
New Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Sleep Initiative? – EMSC may get involved with this initiative and promote an educational piece. Per Barbara Kahler, VDH has established a workgroup that is working on this project. She and Heather are outside and inside chairs of the workgroup. The hospitals were educated a few years ago. All Department of Social Services workers who make home visits need to be educated on this. They also discussed educating midwives. • Avoiding Child Heatstroke Initiative – David distributed the attached flier from the Children’s Safety Network. David will also send this out electronically to the committee. <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Heatstroke_infograp hic_pdf_print_versior</p> </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other 	

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Public Comment:	None.	
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:32 p.m. 2014 Meeting Dates: July 10 and *October 9 (*may need rescheduling)	

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