

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Instructions: [F-01922A](#)

Name of Governmental Body: State EMS Board			Attending: Separate list compiled by DHS EMS Section.
Date: 10/17/2018	Time Started: 9:04am	Time Ended: 12:56pm	
Location: 1313 John Q Hammons Drive, Madison, WI 53562			Presiding Officer: Biggart, Jerry (EMS Board Chair)

Minutes

1. Welcome and committee member check-in.
2. Introductions of EMS Board, EMS Office staff, and attendees.
3. Product presentation by Biospatial
4. Presentation by DHS epidemiologists regarding the use of WARDS data in Public Health. PowerPoint slides provided to board.
5. System Management and Development Chair Dr. Clark provided updates on committee work.
 - a. Pre-arrival instructions and Stop the Bleed outreach continue to work on reaching all PSAPs. Outreach is going by HERC regions, one by one.
 - b. Dana Sechler provided update on Medicaid reimbursement increase request. No movement currently due to upcoming November elections. May require legislative action.
 - c. First Aid scope of practice is being reviewed by DHS Office of Legal Counsel.
 - d. Trauma/STEMI/Stroke centers position statement is being reviewed by state agencies. Will remain on agenda to monitor progress.
 - e. Critical Care Transport Workgroup update had first meeting to discuss how critical care transports are handled in various parts of the state. Education, training, experience, and crew configuration were all discussed. Group will begin with reviewing the current Wisconsin interfacility transport guidelines, which have not been updated since 2006.
 - f. Continued discussion on triage and patient tracking standardization. Currently there is a range of protocols used, with some services not having any formal triage system. Concerns include cost and complexity as possible obstacles to adoption of something that may be more complex than necessary. Goal will be to have recommendations in place by next meeting and then determine the best way to encourage, or even mandate, compliance with whichever system is adopted.
 - g. No updates currently on recruitment and retention.
6. EMS Chief Lockhart provided update on EMS Office current projects and business.
 - a. Chief Lockhart wants to see Wisconsin become an EMS state of excellence. This means clear and concise rules and regulations, strong focus on training, taking care of providers both mentally and physically. Also making sure our e-licensing system sets the standard for the US. Focus on Community EMS and mobile healthcare, which will by extension make all Wisconsin residents healthier. 15 to 18 flexible staffing pilot sites expected to be online by end of 2018 or first quarter of 2019.
7. Dr. Eberlein presented on alternatives to opioids for pain control. PowerPoint distributed to board members.
8. No updates to provide on Interoperability Council 911 Subcommittee.
9. Update on WTCS initiative to distribute information on behavioral health and wellness. Project is continuing. Will ask Tim Weir for an update at next board meeting. PFFW offers peer support and grief counseling for any EMS provider or service in need.
10. Update on statewide CQI requirements. Board will solicit examples of current CQI programs from selected services statewide.
11. No new business or closed session needs. Meeting adjourned at 12:56pm.

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