

Mountain Lakes Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee
January 25, 2010
Meeting Minutes
Clinton County Office of Emergency Services

Members Present: Dr. Hartung, Bruce Mason (phone), Mary Jane Connors (phone), Dr. LaMarre (phone), Dr. Viscardo, Dr. Pond (phone), Scott Newton (phone), Christopher Norton (phone), Patty Bashaw, Storm Treanor, Gary Scidmore, and Bruce Sawyer.

Guests: Mary Ramo, Joe Farrell (phone), Peter Berry, Ralph Bentley, Paul Frasco, and Terry Perkins.

Staff: Guy Goodell, Travis Howe

Call to Order: Dr. Hartung called the meeting to order at approximately 12:09 PM.

Minutes: Approval of the October 26, 2009 meeting minutes was accepted and carried.

Mountain Lakes Report (REMSCO)

- Patty: CONS work in progress, Conflict of Interests have been sent out to both the REMAC and REMSCO Boards by Travis, Scott Richards has departed, have asked Michelle to run operations (performing extremely well), Ted has also departed his position, Travis Howe has taken his place
- EPCR Program is beginning across the Region, Dr. Viscardo commented that some agencies believed that they had to implement the EPCR Program. Patty answered no that it is not required to change to the EPCR Program.
- Paramedic Program is being planned for NCCC
- Internal Revenue Service issue has been taken care of. Waiting now for the decision of how much is owed
- There is a new Initiative from the state to consolidate agencies
- Scott Harwood is working to get a CLI course in March at NCCC
- Mary Ramo working on doing a CIC course in the summer of 2010

Topics of Discussion

Patty Coordinators have gotten list of Non-Compliant Teks
Discussion on CME/Skills policies, and procedures, also discussed the issue of Returning keys.

Motion: All non-compliant Teks will be sent a certified letter February 1, 2010, Teks will Have until February 28, 2010 to get CME/Skills paperwork to the Mountain Lakes Regional EMS Council Office, after February 28, 2010 all non-compliant teks will Be considered Off-line, and have to go through the Intern Process as their Solo Status will be suspended. Keys are to be turned into the EMS Coordinators. All non-compliant Teks will have to pay a processing fee to be reinstated, this fee Will be determined and implemented by the REMSCO board.

ALS Renewals

- Champlain EMS Dr. Hartung entertained a motion to implement Critical Care Service-Carried
- Churubusco Would like to implement ALS Service
- Dr Beach not present at proceedings-Motion to table due to the fact that the Medical Director needs to be present. Seconded by Dr. Viscardo Carried
- EMT of CVPH Renewal of Level 4, Dr. Hartung No issues with it. Seconded by Carried

- Easton Greenwich Medical Director not present at proceedings, Motion to extend 3 months, Seconded by Dr. Viscardo-Carried
- Newcomb Medical Director not present at proceedings, Motion to extend 3 months, Seconded by Dr. Viscardo-Carried
- Tupper Lake Medical Director not present at proceeding, Motion to extend 3 months by Storm, Seconded by Gary-Carried
- FACT Medical Director not present at proceedings, Motion to extend 3 months by Storm, Seconded by Gary-Carried
- Saranac Lake Medical Director not present at proceedings, Motion to extend by Patty, Seconded by Storm-Carried
- North Queensbury Medical Director not present at proceedings, Motion to extend 3 months-Carried
- Keene Dr. Pond had no issues, Renew ALS, Seconded by Storm-Carried
- Wilmington Dr. Pond had no issues,
- Storm made a motion to extend agencies that have no Medical Director present at meeting, Seconded by Patty-Carried
 - Saranac Lake Dr. Viscardo had no issues, Motion by Dr. Viscardo no second
 - Dr. Pond began a discussion about the Saranac Lake dispatching and mutual aid plan
 - Dr Hartung May need proof of responses
 - Dr Viscardo Look at staffing Response plan, dispatch needs to know when there are scheduling gaps
 - Dr. Hartung PROVISIONAL RENEWAL- Saranac Lake must provide changes with their policy-acknowledge that holes exist- and must provide an updated automatic mutual aid plan- Seconded by Storm
 - Discussion about dispatching (Priority Dispatching)
 - Patty- Can we go back to Churubusco now that Dr. Beach is on the phone?
 - Churubusco Dr. Beach made a motion to increase, Seconded by Storm-Carried
 - Executive Session at 14:00
 - Motion from Executive Session made by Dr. Viscardo-stating the Medical Director of North Warren to exam the issues presented and report to REMAC at Aprils Meeting- Seconded by Buzz Sawyer.
 - Motion to end Executive Session at 15:15
 - Dr. Hartung WE ALSO REITERATE THAT MEDICAL DIRECTORS HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO REVIEW ALL PCRS
 - Dr. Viscardo Send out State Policies about Medical Directors
 - Informational Inter-Facility Transfer Surveys- Hospitals Participated
 - Discussed NG tubes, Suction, Antibiotics, and Transfusions
 - Dr Viscardo What was the goal of the study?
 - Storm Seeing what needs to be looked at for squads
 - Dr. Hartung Expanding the scope of practice? Rarely blood products, Storm other thing to consider that the ones doing transports are mainly performing transports
 - Dr. Viscardo How many agencies are doing these transports?
 - Consensus-Antibiotics are an issue
 - Dr. Hartung Do we want to do anything right now? Lamoille Ambulance Service, is affected
 - Patty They don't carry any narcotics

- FACT and EMT of CVPH are also affected
- 15:53 Dr. Hartung and Dr. Lamarre had to leave meeting,
- Patty no quorum now
- Motion by Buzz Sawyer to adjourn meeting, Seconded by Dr. Viscardo
- Meeting Adjourned at 15:55

Respectfully Submitted by John Paul Jones