



**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEMS
EMS FOR CHILDREN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**



PORTLAND STATE OFFICE BUILDING

June 4th, 2004

Present: Jane Burke (teleconf), Gina Craven, Cynthia Cristofani, Merlin Curry, Michael Howell, Helen Miller (teleconf), Dawn Poetter, Sharon Stapleton, Craig Warden.

Guests Mary Barnhum (teleconf)

Absent: Pam Bessler (excused) John Evered, Roseanne McLaren (excused), Helenka Marcinek.

DHS Staff: Debbie Danna

Call to Order

Dr. Warden called the meeting to order at 9:07 am. The committee was reminded that there is a no smoking policy.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved without change.

Current Business

1. Pediatric Education for Pre-hospital Professionals (PEPP) Awards update. The EMSC program received 25 applications for PEPP mini-grants before the May 15th deadline. The number of grants given out was increased from 8 to 10. The selection criteria were based on demographics with at least one being given within every ATAB of the state. Awardees have been notified and notification letters of those not receiving an award were sent along with further educational opportunity materials, i.e. EMSC conference and scholarships availability. Contract request forms have been

submitted for signature. PEPP recipients are City of Bend Fire, Chiloquin Volunteer Ambulance, Knappa Fire District, LaGrande Fire Dept., Marion County Fire District #1, Milton -Freewater Rural Fire Department, Odell Rural Fire Protection, South Lane County Fire and Rescue, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Western Washington County Training Association/City of Cornelius Fire.

2. Committee Vacancies – The EMSC Advisory Committee extends a warm welcome to Jane Burke. Jane is the Emergency Department Manager of Providence Hood River. We are very happy to have her from ATAB #6. Dave Staab from ATAB #2 has been appointed to the committee for the Ambulance Director position. Tammy Henderson, ATAB #9 and Heather Collins ATAB # 9 have both resigned. We wish them well and thank them for their participation. Dr. Sandra Dunbrasky from Ontario, ATAB #9 has expressed an interest and Debbie Danna has sent her information about the EMSC Program and committee. Two openings currently exist for “Member at Large” and an “EMT” position.

Action: Dr. Warden will contact Dr. Dunbrasky about joining the committee. Debbie will post the openings on the web. Dr. Warden will send letters to non-participating members.

3. Conference Update: CME approval received from OHSU. EMSC Conference brochures went to the printer. The conference is posted on the DHS website and an application can be printed off and mailed in. Still looking for exhibitors and vendors.

Action: Sharon Stapleton and Gina Craven will talk to some medical representatives.

4. Subgroups –

- a. Necessary pre-hospital pediatric emergency equipment and critical care medical equipment lists were submitted to Susan Werner, Trauma Systems Manager and Paul Bollinger, Prehospital Systems Manager with a cover letter prepared by Merlin Curry and Dr. Craig Warden. Discussion of a new pre-hospital goal to pursue. Suggestions included temperature control, peds b/p monitoring and cuff size availability, technical assistance visits, car seat usage in ambulances. A suggestion was made

to ask providers “What do you Need”. Find out role of Liz Morgan, ambulance licensing and the ability to have her address peds issues with us.

Action: Merlin Curry will contact Sandy Ryman Office of Rural Health about piggybacking 5 questions to a survey they are doing. Identify goals and plan action plan.

- b. Necessary Pediatric Equipment in the Hospital: submitted to EMS & Trauma Systems Managers. A new in-hospital goal was discussed in length. Dr. Miller suggested something dealing with the issues of follow-up when kids leave the hospital. Discussion on establishing a base minimum of pediatric education, training issues, sedation issues. The committee has decided to look at inter-facility transfer issues.

Action: Dr. Helen Miller, Dr. Cynthia Cristofani, and Dr. Craig Warden will work together on addressing inter-facility transfer issues.

Public Education Programs: Dawn Poetter downloaded information from the EMSC website. Idea to incorporate all types of injury prevention information currently available onto a CD to be distributed to all EMS agencies and ED’s next year during EMS week.

Discussion about developing a brochure in English and in Spanish similar to North Dakota’s version, “When to Call an Ambulance.”

Action: Dr. Cristofani will give Debbie Danna information about the “Caring Means Preparing” program previously developed.

New Business

1. Oregon Trauma Registry 2003 data report given to committee members and discussed.
Action: Committee would like to look at transfer processes. Debbie Danna will bring additional data to next meeting.

2. Pediatric Disaster Life Support (PDLS) training/BT - the committee discussed encouraging the EMS & Trauma Systems department to use some of the BT monies in the department to address pediatric issues. Dr. Miller is a PDLS instructor.

Action: Dr. Miller will contact Carol Schustak at Univ. of Mass about how to develop a train the trainer program in Oregon. Dr. Warden will write a letter to Paul Bollinger requesting some funding from the BT money for a 2-day PDLS course.

Public Forum

None Noted.

Adjourn

The next meeting is scheduled on September 23rd, 2004 at 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Portland State Office Building Room 612.