



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

**October 27, 2006
Conference Call**

Present: Garth Meckler, MD; Scott Shepherd; Merlin Curry; David Spiro, MD; Robert Walters; Cindi Cristofani, MD; Mary Barnum;

Absent: A. Leigh Bass Avery, Pam Bessler, Sandra Dunbrasky, Helen Miller, Steve Myren, Jane Burke, Gina Craven, Mike Howell (excused), Sharon Stapleton(excused).

DHS Staff: Susan Werner

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM by Merlin Curry, Chairperson.

a. No Smoking Policy

The No Smoking Policy was reviewed by M. Curry.

b. Approval of Minutes

Scott Shepherd made the motion to accept the minutes as distributed with the correction to the minutes. David Spiro seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimous vote.

Old Business

STAB review of interfacility guidelines

Merlin Curry reported that the State Trauma Advisory Board had the following suggestions for the Interfacility Transfer Protocol:

- Pediatric Critical Care and Transport should include “emergency care providers, critical care providers....”
- Clarify that this document refers only to interfacility transfer. The current protocols refer to “triage” and this reference may confuse

prehospital providers. This protocol is for hospital use but may involve prehospital providers during the transport.

- Standardize the definition of pediatric patient
 - Committee should provide a formal position statement for the choice of a particular age.
 - Should make reference to puberty.

Action: Each member should take the Interfacility Transfer Guidelines back to the stakeholders that they represent on the committee to seek feedback. Bring comments back to the EMSC Committee.

Nominations: State EMSC Committee Chairperson

Merlin Curry notified the committee during the October meeting in Seaside that he is resigning his position as chair of the State EMSC Committee.

Nominations for Chairperson were received from the floor.

David Spiro, MD was nominated by Merlin Curry. Dr. Spiro received a second from Cindy Cristofani. There were no other nominations.

Action: Ms. Werner will tabulate e-mail results following the distribution of the nominations to the membership.

Update regarding the EMSC Program Manager position

Ms. Werner updated the committee. The position description will be changed to a position that accepts applicants that are not nurses in an effort to enlarge the applicant pool.

Action: Ms. Werner will update the committee membership.

As there was no further business, the conference call was discontinued.