



**EMS for Children Committee Meeting
Virginia Office of EMS
Virginia Public Safety Training Center
7093 Broad Neck Road, Hanover, VA 23069
April 6, 2017
3-5 p.m.**

Members Present:	OEMS Staff:	Guests:
Sam Bartle, MD , EMSC Committee Chair	George Lindbeck, State OMD	Trecia Henriques, VCU Health System
David Edwards , VDH, OEMS, EMSC Program Manager	Wanda Street, Secretary Sr.	Gary Samuels, HCA
Barbara Kahler , Virginia Chapter of American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Representative		
Petra Connell , EMSC Family Representative		
Heidi Hooker , Regional EMS Council Representative		
Kae Bruch , VA Association of School Nurses Representative		
Eddie Ferguson , Emergency Medical Technician, Field Provider Representative		
Cam Crittenden , VDH, OEMS Trauma & Critical Care Manager		

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order at 3:22 p.m. by the Chair, Dr. Samuel Bartle.	
Introductions:	Everyone around the room introduced themselves.	
Approval of the minutes from January 5, 2017 meeting:	A motion was made to review and approve the minutes. The motion was moved by Dr. Kahler and seconded by Petra Connell. All committee members were in favor. The minutes were approved as submitted.	The minutes were approved as submitted.
Chair Report –Dr. Samuel Bartle:	<p>Dr. Bartle discussed the ongoing changes in medical health coverage and how this will have an impact on children who are covered by Medicaid. This will particularly affect pre-hospital care and emergency care. Kae mentioned that some school divisions’ bill for services and some do not. But this will affect the schools that do. Dr. Kahler said that if we lose the waiver possibility, that’s huge. Any services covered by waivers, the parents would have to pay out-of-pocket.</p> <p>David Edwards discussed funding for EMS for Children. He explained that the federal funding is still at 57.53%.</p>	
OEMS Report –Cam Crittenden/Dr. George Lindbeck:	<p>Cam reported that the Trauma Division is now fully staffed. The two data positions have been filled by contractors and the Trauma Critical Care/Coordinator position has been filled as well. It is being filled by someone from the Ohio Office of EMS and he is due to start on May 10th. She also spoke about the data projects that can be completed now that we have staff. She also spoke about the transition to NEMSIS data set Version 3 in which 97% of the agencies are now using.</p> <p>Dr. Lindbeck talked about the changes in the Intermediate level certification within National Registry. National Registry</p>	

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	<p>will no longer certify Intermediates and at some point they will not be in existence. OEM's Training and Certification Committee is in discussions about what to do about this. Will we continue to certify new Intermediates in Virginia? Will we come up with our own testing mechanism? These are a few questions being pondered during this change. The EMSC committee members discussed the specialized skills such as airway management and other topics concerning the Intermediate.</p> <p>Dr. Lindbeck stated that the Office of EMS may want to look at data pertaining to airway interventions for pediatric patients. How many pediatric patients get oxygen therapy alone, how many get nebulizers, and how many get invasive airway of some sort? Dr. Lindbeck stated that they will include pediatric (14 and under) airway management in the ALS/BLS audit over the summer. He will also include pediatric data field such as weight.</p>	<p>Cam will get data regarding airway interventions for pediatric patients.</p>
<p>EMSC Program Report – David Edwards:</p>	<p>Dave discussed some of the highlights of his written report such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The NASEMSO “Interim Guidance” on Safe Transport of Children by EMS • “Stop the Bleed” Webinar • AAP Webinar Series on Zika Virus Syndrome • Virginia EMSC/Emergency Preparedness/Hospital Preparedness Program Collaboration • EMSC and Safe Kids Virginia to host CPS Refresher Course – August 17, 2017 <p>The complete report is attached below:</p>  <p>EMSC Program Report 4-6-17.pdf</p>	
<p>EMSC Family Representative Report – Petra Connell:</p>	<p>No report. The Family Advisory Network (FAN) is transitioning from Washington, DC to Texas.</p>	
<p>Committee Member Organization Reports:</p>	<p>Kae Bruch (School Nurse Representative): Both pieces of legislation about getting school nurses in all schools, made it through the first committee and then they were tabled. One of the legislative consultants for the Virginia Association for School Nurses said that this is not totally a lost cause. There is hope that the Governor will look at this in the fall to make budget amendments to fund the positions. Nevertheless, a lot of progress has been made in getting this legislature out to make everyone aware of the need for school nurses.</p> <p>Barbara Kahler (American Academy of Pediatrics): Barbara stated that Rappahannock General Hospital in Kilmarnock, VA has sustained some damage to their emergency department due to today's weather. There were no injuries.</p> <p>Allison Ayres (Chief Medical Examiner's Office): Allison could not attend the meeting today, but submitted a copy of the Poisoning Deaths in Virginia Infants and Young Children report. See below:</p>	

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	 <p data-bbox="407 285 611 334">Infant-and-Young-Child-Poisoning-Deaths</p>	
Special Presentation:	There was no presentation at this committee meeting.	
Unfinished/Old Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Symposium pediatric track – No update. Steve Rasmussen was not in attendance. • Pediatric drug dosage errors – No update. • Pediatric disaster preparedness – David has been working with Eastern Virginia Healthcare Coalition (24 hospitals) with the pediatric readiness assessment and a proposal is being developed. • Other 	
New Business:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospital Peds –Ready on-line portal • Formalizing collaborations • Other 	
Public Comment:	None.	
Adjournment:	<p data-bbox="407 704 947 732">The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:54 p.m.</p> <p data-bbox="407 764 989 792">2017 Meeting Dates: July 6 and October 5 (tentative)</p> <p data-bbox="407 797 1434 823">Location: Virginia Public Safety Training Center, 7093 Broad Neck Road, Hanover, VA 23069</p>	