

**ILLINOIS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN
ADVISORY BOARD
Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2017**

Present: Paula Atteberry (IDPH), Christine Bishof (ISMS), Mark Cichon (Loyola)*, John Collins (IEMTA), Michelle Ealy (DCFS), Darcy Egging (IENA)*, Dylan Ferguson (EMS Coordinator), Jack Fleeharty (IDPH), Susan Fuchs, Chair (Natl. Assn EMS Physicians), Jeanne Grady (IL DSCC)*, Joseph Hageman (ICAAP)*, Mike Hansen (IFCA), Amy Hill (SafeKids)*, Nicole Jones (School Health Program, IDPH), Ruth Kafensztok (EMSC), Dan Leonard (EMSC), Evelyn Lyons (IDPH/EMSC), Kimberly Pate Godden (ISAA), Laura Prestidge (EMSC), Teresa Riech (ICAAP)*, Bonnie Salvetti (ANA-Illinois), Kathy Swafford (ICAAP)*, Kristen Tindall (IHA)*, Michael Wahl (MCHC), Terry Wheat (Pediatric Rehab representative)*, J. Thomas Willis (IL Fire Fighters Assn). **NON-BOARD MEMBER ATTENDEES:** Mike Epping (IDPH), Emily McDowell (UnityPoint Health – Trinity, Rock Island), Adam Sowell (UnityPoint Health – Trinity, Rock Island)

Excused: Young Chung (American Red Cross), Peggy Jones (ICAHN), Maura McKay (IAFP)

Absent: Elizabeth DeLong (Trauma Nurse Coordinator), Roy Harley (Prevent Child Abuse Illinois), Kevin Katzbeck (Family representative)

*Via teleconference

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	Susan Fuchs called the meeting to order at 10:05am.	None
Introductions	Introductions were made.	None
Review of 12/21/16 Meeting Minutes	The December 21, 2016 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Tom Willis made a motion for approval; Christina Bishof seconded the motion. All in attendance agreed to approve the minutes.	Minutes approved
Announcements/ Updates	<p>Susan Fuchs reviewed the following announcements/updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Ron W. Lee, MD – Excellence in Pediatric Care awards</i> – nominations due Friday, March 24, 2017 ▪ EMS Assistance Fund grants. Applications due April 10, 2017 ▪ EMS Week (May 21 – 27) and EMSC Day (May 24). Theme: <i>EMS Strong: Always in Service</i> ▪ April is <i>Child Abuse Prevention Month</i>, www.preventchildabuseillinois.org/cap-month ▪ <i>EIIC EMSC Pulse newsletter. February 23, 2017</i> ▪ <i>2016 Kids Count Data Book</i>: http://www.aecf.org/resources/the-2016-kids-count-data-book/ ▪ <i>CDC Wisqars Fatal Injury Data</i>. 2015 data now available. https://www.cdc.gov/injury/wisqars/ ▪ Illinois Heart Rescue Program, www.illinoisheartrescue.org; PSA link below <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCC8DW3cjrj&list=PL0ECiiXoPGn6uV7nTMYL8xTUZ07hRR8Kh ▪ Broselow tape being updated; tentative release in May 2017 ▪ American Public Health Association fact sheets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Prevention and Public Health Fund</i> ○ <i>Why Do We Need the Affordable Care Act?</i> ▪ Other organizational reports/updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DCFS – No report. ○ IHA – Mike Wahl noted that March is Illinois Poison Month. Community events are being conducted with over 700 volunteer partners. IHA has linked with Lurie Children’s Hospital on a project related to early identification of sepsis. ○ Illinois Fire Chiefs – Mike Hansen noted that the Illinois Fire Chiefs and the Illinois EMS Alliance are sponsoring a conference scheduled on April 6th in Springfield. 	Board members are asked to share this information within your organizations

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SafeKids – Amy Hill reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State level report - A statewide meeting of the SafeKids coalitions will be held in Peoria in May. There used to be a total of 9 coalition within the state. Local health department/hospital budget cuts have reduced the coalitions to 7. The Decatur area is currently in need of a coalition coordinator – contact Amy if interested. ○ Safe on the Road project – in 2016, there was distribution of 898 child safety seats with 9 partner organizations. They taught 42 free workshops for community members and healthcare providers. Reached families in over 80 different zip codes in 2016. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Working on grants with Cincinnati Children’s Toyota and IDOT. ▪ Hosting distracted driving days in conjunction with IL SOS in April. ○ They had a change in their Kohl’s funding application and have had to re-adjust programming goals accordingly. ▪ Educational Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>EMSC Online Courses</i> - https://www.publichealthlearning.com ○ Other educational opportunities at www.stitch.luc.edu/emsc 	<p>Send any new announcements to Evelyn Lyons for future meetings</p>
<p>IDPH, Division of EMS & Highway Safety Report</p>	<p>Jack Fleeharty provided the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>EMS Grants</u> - All FY17 EMS Fund Grant awardees have been announced. The Department awarded \$64,599.00 in grant monies. The FY2018 EMS Assistance Fund Grant application was announced on February 20, 2017 and will close on April 10, 2017. EMS Assistance Grants will be awarded if funded and authorized by the Illinois General Assembly. ▪ <u>HeartSaver AED</u> - The Department amended the Heartsaver AED Fund Grant 530. Rules adopted at the February JCAR meeting which implements P.A. 99-0246 (adds sheriff’s offices, municipal police depts and public libraries to the entities eligible to apply for a matching Heartsaver AED Fund grant). ▪ <u>EMS Week</u> - Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week is scheduled May 21 – 27, 2017 with EMSC Day celebrated on May 24, 2017. This year’s theme is “EMS Strong: Always in Service”. The 2017 EMS Week Planning guide/kit is available on the ACEP website. Certificates for years of service in EMS will be available upon request. The certificates will be emailed back to the requester in PDF form. It will be the responsibility of the requester to print them off, preferably on card stock or certificate paper, and present them to the recipients. The deadline for submission of names to the Department is Friday, April 21, 2017. Awards for EMS Instructor, Public Education, Response/Professional and Response/Layperson will also be given again this year. The deadline for submission to the Department is Friday, April 7, 2016. For information about the certificates and award nominations please go to dph.illinois.gov. ▪ <u>Trauma Program Update</u> - Assembling dates for site surveys in April – June for Regions 8, 10 and 11. Designated a new Level II Trauma Center at Decatur Memorial Hospital in Region 6 ▪ <u>Data Requests</u> - Drafted an MOU with University of Miami data request to study alcohol related trauma admissions in Illinois; sent to legal for review and Director’s signature. Drafted a Data Sharing Agreement with IDPH I-Plan requesting BAC data to upload in I-Query. ▪ <u>Trauma Registry RFP</u> - The Department continues to work towards publishing a RFP for a Trauma Registry, and has approached IDOT for grant assistance. IDOT agreed to consider a grant application as they also utilize registry data to comply with initiatives regarding highway death and injury surveillance. 	<p>FYI</p>

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	<p>Plan to pursue grant application to IDOT in the next fiscal period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <u>IDPH Stroke Hospital Designations</u> – Currently 149 designated hospitals at the following levels: Acute Stroke Ready Hospitals = 81 hospitals; Primary Stroke Center = 58 hospitals; Comprehensive Stroke Center = 10 hospitals. ▪ <u>EMS Pre-hospital Data and Bypass Updates</u> - The transition from Version 2 to Version 3 of the NEMSIS Standard is underway, with one quarter of EMS agencies now submitting Version 3 data. The EMS System websites are not yet displaying information from Version 3 data – the software vendor is aware of this deficiency but has not provided an estimated resolution timeframe. Naloxone administration data continues to be of interest as a result of ongoing opioid use and overdose concerns. The migration from the Hospital Bypass System to EMResource was completed more than one year ago, and the transition has generally gone very smoothly. Of the 187 hospitals in the system, 54 are at 100% daily reporting reliability and another 43 are at 97%, based on January reporting levels. EMTrack - A round of face-to-face training is tentatively scheduled for the last week of March (27th-31st). The target audience is EMS agency-level personnel, but EMS System Coordinators are also welcome. ▪ <u>EMS Licensing YTD</u> - New licenses processed YTD = 1260; Renewals processed YTD = 1734; Reciprocity processed YTD = 72 ▪ <u>Testing and Education</u> - The EMS Testing contract has been awarded to Continental Testing. Jennifer Ludwig became the new EMS Education and Training Coordinator on 03/01/2017. 	FYI
<p>New Business – Election of EMSC Advisory Board Chair and Vice-Chair</p> <p>Illinois EMSC Partnership Opportunity</p>	<p>Evelyn noted that the Board Chair and Vice-Chair positions are up for annual elections. Mark Cichon called for any new nominations, however no new nominees were identified. Tom Willis motioned to nominate Susan Fuchs to continue to serve as EMSC Advisory Board Chair and Mike Wahl seconded the motion. Susan Fuchs motioned to nominate Tom Willis to continue to serve as Vice-Chair, and Dylan Ferguson seconded the motion. All were in agreement to support these nominations. Both Sue and Tom will serve another one-year term, and both were thanked for their continued leadership.</p> <p>Evelyn reported that the Department has made a decision to hold an application process that is open to all schools of medicine in the state that may be interested in being the future home base for the Illinois EMSC program. Illinois EMSC has been a collaborative program between IDPH and the Stritch School of Medicine at Loyola since 1994. Since that time, other institutions have made contributions of time, effort and expertise that have benefitted the EMSC program. This opportunity coincides with the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) plan to release a funding announcement in the Summer of 2017 regarding a new four-year cycle of funding for the EMS for Children State Partnership Grant Program (which will begin on March 1, 2018). This new cycle of funding presents an opportunity for the state to explore all eligible partners (including Loyola) that may be interested in housing the EMS for Children State Partnership Program grant in the future. Note that only accredited schools of medicine and state entities can apply for the EMSC Partnership grant. All schools of medicine in the state of Illinois (as well as the ED Medical Directors of the hospitals affiliated with each school of medicine) have been notified of this opportunity to submit an application, identify their interest, and outline pediatric resources that their organization can engage to enhance and support future EMSC efforts. The application due date is April 21, 2017. More information will be provided as this process moves forward. Contact Evelyn if any questions.</p>	Susan Fuchs and Tom Willis were approved to continue to serve as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively.

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Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Illinois EMSC Advisory Board bylaws review – The approved changes from the December 2016 meeting were reviewed. In addition, the continued lack of board participation by the Illinois State Police since 2009 was noted. Evelyn had made contact with Sharon White at ISP in 2016, and ISP agreed to begin attending meetings, however there still has not been participation. There was discussion regarding continuing to keep ISP on the board since they have not attended a meeting in over 7 years. Any changes to board composition will need to be made in the appropriate section of the EMS Administrative Code. ▪ EMS Administrative Code, Section 515.445 changes – Based on the above discussion, Mike Hansen motioned to remove ISP from the Advisory Board and Dylan Ferguson seconded the motion. All in attendance were in agreement. This will require a revision to the board composition in the EMS Administrative Code. There were recommendations to consider identifying another law enforcement agency that may be interested, i.e. Illinois Sheriff’s Assn or ILEAS. Kathy Swafford noted that the State Child Fatality Review Task Force has several state police representatives. 	<p>The change to the Advisory Board composition will be forwarded to Paula Atteberry in the IDPH Springfield office to proceed with regulatory amendment revisions. Evelyn will followup on other law enforcement entities.</p>
National EMSC Updates	<p>Evelyn noted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ FY2018 EMSC Partnership non-competing continuation grant report was submitted November 1, 2016. Funding was approved for the March 1, 2017 – February 28, 2018 grant cycle. This is Year 5 funding. Recent communication from the Federal EMSC program noted that only partial funding can be provided at this time (\$74,789) since “The federal government is currently operating under a continuing resolution (CR) until April 28, 2017. At this time, this CR is a temporary funding measure that has allowed operations to continue with a proportional reduction in discretionary funding. For the EMSC State Partnership grant program the proportional reduction is 57.53%.” We have been instructed by the Federal EMSC program to await further information, which they anticipate will be released by the end of April/early May. ▪ The 2017 EMSC Performance Measure Implementation Manual was discussed. Sue noted several new EMS performance measures related to: need to ensure NEMSIS Compliant Version 3x; the need for a Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC) for EMS agencies; and a process needs to be in place that requires EMS providers to physically demonstrate the correct use of pediatric-specific equipment. Dylan asked if the PECC could be the EMS System Medical Director or System Coordinator. Based on the implementation manual, it appears that these individuals could serve in this role. ▪ In light of the new EMS performance measures, each state is required to conduct a survey of EMS agencies to identify state baseline information for the new PMs. The survey timeframe is 3/2017-2/2018. Illinois has been assigned to Cohort # 7. Our surveys will take place September 2017 – November 2017. ▪ FY2018 ASPR Funding Opportunity Announcement for Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP). In an effort to assure HPP and EMSC programs work together in each state, the newly released HPP grant requires that each state HPP and EMSC program must provide a joint letter of support in the HPP grant application. HPP awardees must also work with HCCs and EMSC to ensure that all hospitals are prepared to receive, stabilize and manage pediatric patients. HPP awardees will be required to report on the percent of hospitals with an Emergency Department recognized through a statewide, territorial or regional standardized system that are able to stabilize and/or manage pediatric medical emergencies. Evelyn will provide a letter of support to both the Chicago HPP and the Illinois HPP programs. 	<p>Further federal updates regarding funding status and the new performance measures and data collection will be provided at future board meetings.</p>

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Pediatric Preparedness Workgroup	<p>Laura Prestidge reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Creating Liquid Doxycycline brochure</i> – This brochure was updated and finalized. Dylan Ferguson noted that breast milk is still listed in the brochure and would need to be removed since the medication should not be mixed with milk or milk products. This change will be made. The board approved the brochure pending this change. ▪ <i>DRAFT Pediatric Decontamination</i> educational online module – This is one of 3 brief online modules that have been drafted to provide education to hospitals on addressing key requirements in the Hospital Pediatric Preparedness Toolkit. This module addresses key components and challenges that hospitals need to address related to pediatric decontamination. Jack Fleeheart suggested development of a Pediatric Decon checklist that could be used during an actual event or exercise. John Collins suggested having a card that can be made available thru MABAS. Dylan Ferguson noted that MABAS could distribute it to all the fire-based hazmat teams. Also share with IHA and ICAHN to share within their organizations. Jack suggested tying in the peds decon to the PECC PM. Laura will followup on these recommendations. ▪ <i>Pediatric & Neonatal Disaster Pocket Surge Guide</i> – This document contains a number of useful pediatric assessment and treatment resources that can be accessed/used during a disaster event. It was originally planned as a smart phone app. It has recently undergone additional revisions. The plan is to now finalize it as an online resource. ▪ <i>JumpSTART Triage Instructor Courses</i> – The JumpSTART curriculum was revised in 2016. Instructor courses are being scheduled in each region to build upon the current instructor base. Instructor courses in Regions 3, 7 and 9 are scheduled in March. Other regions are pending. ▪ Sue Fuchs noted that the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago is moving to a new facility, and because they care for special needs children, the move could be a proxy for a facility pediatric evacuation. 	<p>Laura will followup on the recommendations regarding a decon checklist.</p> <p>Forward any comments regarding the preparedness initiatives to Laura at lprestidge@luc.edu</p>
Data Initiatives	<p>Dan Leonard reported on EMSC Data initiatives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Release of the 2015 IDOT data is very delayed this year. Calendar year data is usually available from IDOT by November, however as of this meeting, the 2015 data is still not available for release. Dan continues to keep in touch with IDOT regarding data access. ▪ <i>EMS Data Reporting System</i> – Mortality data for CY 2008-2014 and Hospital inpatient data for 2015 has been prepared for the reporting system and tested on the development server. In the 4th quarter of 2015, inpatient records changed from ICD-9 coding to ICD-10. These two coding systems will not be mixed in the reporting system. ▪ <i>Traffic Crash “Quick Facts” Fact Sheets</i> – Fact sheets for CY2015 will be developed as crash data for that year is available from IDOT. ▪ <i>Data Quality Studies</i> – Work continues on accessing Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) values from the Illinois Trauma Registry through an analysis of trauma transfers. ▪ Mike Hansen questioned whether there is any data related to mortality in children involved in MVA’s since there is a new law being proposed to raise the speed limit. This will likely lead to an increase in MVA’s. Dan discussed the motor vehicle data that is available, and will follow-up with Mike. 	<p>FYI</p> <p>Dan will follow-up with Mike Hansen.</p>

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Facility Recognition and QI Committee	<p>Susan Fuchs and Evelyn Lyons reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region 11 – Surveys were completed in January. ▪ Regions 1 and 10 – Their surveys are being scheduled in spring/early summer. ▪ Region 9 – Their educational session was held on February 15, 2017 at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital. Their renewal applications are due on May 26, 2017. ▪ The Facility Recognition Committee continues to work on drafting language to include the CNS role in the PCCC, EDAP and SEDP regulations. ▪ Revised Facility Recognition educational session powerpoint slides – Highlights regarding revisions to this slideset were reviewed. This presentation provides regions undergoing renewal with education on the PCCC/EDAP/SEDP renewal, application and site survey process. ▪ Interfacility Transfer Workgroup project – Anne Porter and Bev Weaver (who currently serve on the Facility Recognition & QI Committee), are working to collect additional information from hospitals regarding their interfacility transfer needs. The goal of this project is to develop guidelines and tools related to communication/quality improvement information sharing between referral and receiving hospitals. They submitted an abstract regarding this project to the 2017 Illinois ENA Spring Symposium, which was accepted so they will conduct a presentation at the symposium. They hope to generate open discussion at this session by ED participants on challenges/needs associated with the interfacility transfer process. ▪ Current participation in the pediatric facility recognition program (110 hospitals) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PCCC/EDAP level = 10; EDAP level = 89; SEDP level = 11 ○ Note: In 2015, there were approximately 950,000 ED visits for 0-15 years of age. 78.7% of these visits took place in a PCCC, EDAP or SEDP. Of the 950,000, approximately 27,000 required admission with 95.3% of these admissions taking place in a PCCC, EDAP, or SEDP facility (Source: Illinois Hospital Assn Compdata) ▪ Susan Fuchs reviewed the following Regional QI updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Region 1: The region plans to focus on pain intervention and reassessment. ○ Region 2: Work continues on the pain management project, with data analysis showing an opportunity to improve reassessment. ○ Region 3: The region is considering new projects such as oral rehydration and a pediatric sepsis screen. ○ Region 4: The region is continuing its project based on the Special Needs Tracking & Awareness Response System (STARS), hosted by SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center. STARS trains first responders, families, and local hospital ER staff in the management of special-needs children. Providers are developing lists of special needs children in their area. ○ Region 5: The region is working on a project to evaluate pediatric psychiatric care issues in the ED. ○ Region 6: The region is reviewing fever education for parents and pediatric sepsis order sets. ○ Region 7: The region is working on a pain management project, including the use of pain medications and re-evaluations at 60 minutes and at discharge. ○ Region 8: The region is currently working on an asthma project, including time to first neb 	<p>Physician and nurse surveyors are always needed for site survey visits. Contact Evelyn if interested in being on a survey team.</p> <p>FYI</p>

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	<p>treatment and steroid administration as well as monitoring for a complete set of vital signs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Region 9: The region is working on a referral list for pediatric sub-specialties to decrease the amount of time ED physicians spend trying to call for pediatric sub-specialty admissions. The region is also preparing for site surveys. ○ Region 10: Work continues on a mental health indicator. The region is also preparing for site surveys. ○ Region 11: The region continues its project regarding vital signs documentation. The region is considering a new project regarding pediatric sepsis that helps to address Gabby's Law. 	
Education	<p>Evelyn reported that planning has begun for the Summer School Nurse Emergency Care (SNEC) courses. Eight courses will be held in the following locations: Chicago, Geneva, Joliet, Maryville, Oak Brook, Peoria, Rockford and Winfield. Dates for a few of the courses still need to be confirmed.</p> <p>New site codes for the Pediatric Seizures and the Pediatric DKA educational modules will be applied for after the modules undergo an annual review.</p>	FYI
Publications/ Presentations Update	Anne Porter and Beverly Weaver who serve on the EMSC Facility Recognition & QI Committee will conduct a presentation related to pediatric interfacility transfers at the Illinois Emergency Nurses Association Annual Spring Symposium on April 21, 2017.	FYI
Other	None	
Upcoming meetings	The next meeting is scheduled from 10:00am – 12:00pm on Friday, June 2, 2017 at the Illinois Hospital Assn.	A meeting reminder will be sent to all board members
Adjournment	With no further business, Tom Willis motioned to adjourn the meeting. Christine Bishof seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 11:50am.	None

Meeting minutes submitted by E. Lyons