

**ILLINOIS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN  
ADVISORY BOARD  
Meeting Minutes  
June 3, 2016**

**Present:** Christine Bishof (ISMS), Mark Cichon (EMSC)\*, John Collins (IEMTA), Elizabeth DeLong (Trauma Nurse Coordinator)\*, Michelle Ealy, Dylan Ferguson (EMS Coordinator), Jack Fleeharty (IDPH), Susan Fuchs, Chair (Natl. Assn EMS Physicians), Jeanne Grady (IL DSCC)\*, Mike Hansen (IFCA)\*, Ruth Kafensztok (EMSC), Dan Leonard (EMSC), Evelyn Lyons (IDPH/EMSC), Maura McKay (IAFP), Bonnie Salvetti (ANA-Illinois)\*, Kathy Swafford (ICAAP)\*, Kristen Tindall (IHA)\*, Michael Wahl (MCHC), J. Thomas Willis (IL Fire Fighters Assn)  
Guests: Adam Sowell\*

**Excused:** Paula Atteberry (IDPH), Darcy Egging (IENA), Joseph Hageman (ICAAP), Victoria Jackson (School Health Program), Amy Hill (SafeKids), Kevin Katzbeck (Family representative), Laura Prestidge (EMSC), Teresa Riech (ICAAP), Herbert Sutherland (ICEP), Terry Wheat (Pediatric Rehab representative)

**Absent:** Young Chung (American Red Cross), Roy Harley (Prevent Child Abuse Illinois), Kimberly Pate Godden (ISAA), Christina Swain (EMSC)

\*Via teleconference

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<b>Call to Order</b>	Susan Fuchs called the meeting to order at 10:05am.	None
<b>Introductions</b>	Introductions were made.	None
<b>Review of 3/3/16 Meeting Minutes</b>	The March 3, 2016 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Tom Willis made a motion for approval; John Collins seconded the motion. All in attendance agreed to approve the minutes.	Minutes approved
<b>Announcements/ Updates</b>	<p>Susan Fuchs reviewed the following announcements/updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Ron W. Lee, MD – Excellence in Pediatric Care Awards.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Lifetime Achievement</i> – Leslie Livett, RN, MS, EMS/Trauma Nurse Coordinator, Presence Saint Joseph Medical Center, Joliet</li> <li>○ <i>Clinical Excellence</i> – Stathis Poulakidas, MD, Chair, Burn and Wound Services, John H. Stroger Jr. Hospital of Cook County, Chicago</li> <li>○ <i>Community Service</i> – Lake Zurich Fire Department</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ New National EMSC Resource Center (<i>EMSC Innovation &amp; Improvement Center</i>) effective July 1, 2016. Awarded to Baylor College of Medicine/Texas Children’s Hospital.</li> <li>▪ ENA Topic <i>Grief: Pediatric Pain</i>, Emergency Nurses Association, March 2016.</li> <li>▪ <i>Resilience and Child Traumatic Stress</i>, The National Child Traumatic Stress Network.</li> <li>▪ <i>E-cigarettes: Overview of the Basics</i> presentation, American Lung Association</li> <li>▪ Other organizational reports/updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ DCFS – Michelle Ealy noted that the RedCap Asthma program continues with DCFS nurses conducting initial home visits of children with asthma, and followup visits at 3, 6 and 9 months. These visits are typically triggered by an Emergency Department visit. A health database is maintained on children in the DCFS program.</li> <li>○ IHA – Mike Wahl noted the Illinois Poison Center is developing a database on drug use, and working in collaboration with the Chicago Police Department and hospitals in preparation for the upcoming Spring Awakening and other festivals.</li> <li>○ SafeKids – Amy Hill is unable to attend today’s meeting. She forwarded the following report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Car Seat initiatives - During the last quarter, they have sponsored 9 community car seat</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Board members are asked to share this information within your organizations</p> <p>Send any new announcements to Evelyn Lyons for future meetings</p>

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	<p>classes; 35 parents attended the classes; have distributed 41 low-cost car seats. They distributed 129 seats through their distribution network last quarter, and also distributed 150 booster seats at a booster seat education event for employees and patients at Lurie Children’s Hospital. Currently working on a pilot for prevention of distracted teen driving, which will be conducted in Tinley Park, IL.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Home Safety/Window Falls – Continue to offer free home safety kits for community distribution. Last quarter, distributed over 440 bags to community sites – all sites must take an online home safety training program to distribute the bags to their clients. Even though the weather hasn’t been that warm yet, there have already been 2 serious window falls. The May Window Falls Prevention Campaign is up on all CTA trains and buses. Also have a window stop distribution program, with roughly 400 window stops distributed in May. Received a small grant from SafeKids Worldwide to educate parents and caregivers and medical professionals about medication safety. Kohl’s Cares continues to support home safety and window falls prevention.</li> <li>○ Pedestrian and Bicycle – Continue to work on the Safe Routes to School committee. Plan work with Active Transportation and Alliance and the Lurie Children’s Community Volunteer Corps to distribute 600 bicycle helmets this summer.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Educational Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>2016 Integrated Public Health and Healthcare System Preparedness Summit.</i> June 21-23, 2016 in Schaumburg, IL. <a href="https://www.ipha.com/event/details/24/2016-integrated-public-health-and-healthcare-system-preparedness-summit">https://www.ipha.com/event/details/24/2016-integrated-public-health-and-healthcare-system-preparedness-summit</a></li> <li>○ <i>2016 Trauma, Emergency, Disaster Conference.</i> August 18-19, 2016 in East Peoria, IL.</li> <li>○ <i>Region 7, In the Midst of Chaos Disaster Conference.</i> September 23, 2016, Tinley Park, IL</li> <li>○ <i>Marion Region, Weathering the Storm Disaster Conf.</i> October 12, 2016, Marion, IL.</li> <li>○ <i>National Healthcare Coalition Preparedness Conference (NHCPC),</i> December 13 &amp; 14, 2016, Washington, D.C. NOTE: The National Pediatric Disaster Coalition is partnering on this conference and has issued a Call for Abstracts - deadline Friday, June 3, 2016. <a href="http://healthcarecoalitions.org">http://healthcarecoalitions.org</a></li> <li>○ <i>EMSC Online Courses</i> - <a href="https://www.publichealthlearning.com">https://www.publichealthlearning.com</a></li> <li>○ Other educational opportunities at <a href="http://www.luhs.org/emsc/special.htm">www.luhs.org/emsc/special.htm</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>IDPH, Division of EMS &amp; Highway Safety Report</b>	<p>Jack provided the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>Grants</u> – The FY2017 EMS Assistance Fund Grant application and the HeartSaver grants are unable to be announced until there is an approved budget and appropriation.</li> <li>▪ <u>Regulatory Updates</u> - Stroke and EMSC rule amendments should be published soon.</li> <li>▪ <u>Legislative Updates</u> - The Office of Preparedness &amp; Response requested on the Spring 2016 legislative agenda that the State move to a 4 tiered trauma system. Currently Illinois designates Level I and II Trauma Centers. The proposed Level III and stabilization center were not approved.</li> <li>▪ <u>Trauma Program</u> – Moving to WebSphere 8.5. Working on report features that have been having issues.</li> <li>▪ <u>WebEOC, EMTrack and EMResource</u> – The Department has purchased a software package that will assist during disasters with communication (WebEOC), patient tracking (EMTrack) and hospital</li> </ul>	<p>Board members are asked to share this information within your organizations.</p>

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	<p>bypass/resource availability (EMResource). EMResource has been rolled out. Implementation planning for WebEOC and EMTrack are underway.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>Testing Updates</u> - The Department is looking for volunteers to help write new AEMT/EMT-I exams.</li> <li>▪ <u>Forms</u> - The Department is no longer mailing out non-transport forms. The POLST form (which replaces the State DNR form) has been revised.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>New Business – EMSC Advisory Board bylaws review</b></p>	<p>The EMSC Advisory Board bylaws are due for review. Since the board was not provided much time to review the bylaws prior to today’s meeting, Dr. Fuchs asked that the board members take time to review the bylaws and bring comments/recommendations to the September meeting.</p> <p>Jack noted that the Department has asked the State EMS Council and State Trauma Advisory Council to amend their bylaws to address voting by conference call. He felt that this board may also want to look into this. Evelyn will obtain any sample language that the board can review at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Evelyn will obtain any sample language related to voting by conference call.</p>
<p><b>Pediatric Preparedness Workgroup</b></p>	<p>Evelyn Lyons and Sue Fuchs reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>Emergency Preparedness Planning Guide for Child Care Centers &amp; Child Care Homes</i> – Over 5000 copies of this document was distributed to the 17 Child Care Referral &amp; Resource Agencies within the state, who then distributed to the child care centers/homes in their network. A webinar to review how to use this resource with child care centers/homes in their disaster planning was conducted on March 10<sup>th</sup>. It was well attended and received. The webinar has been archived on the IDHS training website.</li> <li>▪ <i>Regional Pediatric Resource Directory</i> – This document has been revised and now references the Pediatric Annex, includes all burn hospitals in the Midwest (not just those that see pediatric patients), as well as includes updates to hospital/LHD information since the 2014 version.</li> <li>▪ <i>Pediatric Care Medical Specialist Team</i> – EMSC has been working with IMERT to build this team which will provide remote pediatric consultation during a disaster event. A webinar to review the role was conducted on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Ten physicians and APNs from different locations within the state participated. Plans are underway to continue to build the role and begin recruitment in FY2017.</li> <li>▪ <i>FY2017 HPP Pediatric Preparedness grant deliverables</i> – the deliverables were reviewed, which include many ongoing deliverables as well as the following new deliverables: convert the JumpSTART in-person training into a webinar format; conduct a communication exercise with the PCMS team; develop 3 brief webinars on topics such as decon, evacuation and reunification; assist in the development of a State Childcare Emergency Preparedness Plan. Dr. Susan Fuchs suggested asking Mark Cicero if any of the MCI triage videos used in his Connecticut EMSC project could be used in our planned webinars. This will be shared with Laura Prestidge.</li> <li>▪ <i>Burn Disaster Training Course</i> – The newly developed course was piloted on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. 25 RNs, APNs and Physicians were in attendance. The course was well received. Feedback and recommendations are undergoing review, and appropriate updates will be made to the curricular materials. The plan is to finalize the course before the end of the year, and it can then be rolled out to the rest of the state.</li> </ul>	<p>Forward any comments regarding the preparedness initiatives to Laura at <a href="mailto:lprestidge@luc.edu">lprestidge@luc.edu</a></p>

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<b>National Pediatric Readiness Project</b>	<p>Updates were provided on the Emergency Nurses Assn PedsReady State Champions Pilot Project. This project is being sponsored by ENA to assist 5 states in furthering their PedsReady initiatives. Illinois was one of the participating states, and identified our proposed project aim to “Build/enhance collaborative partnership between the Pediatric Quality Coordinator and Pediatric Physician Champion roles in our state”.</p> <p>Dr. Kathy Swafford suggested that the Pediatric Physician Champion should be on the hospital medical staff, since it would be beneficial to have a physician who lives and is active in the community. She also identified a new app called Child Protector that assists with assessing potential child abuse victims. This is a decision-making tool that can assist with identifying appropriate tests and imaging to consider on suspected child abuse and neglect patients. She will forward information that can be shared with our hospital contacts.</p>	<p>Further updates will be provided at future board meetings.</p> <p>Evelyn will share the app information from Dr. Swafford.</p>
<b>Facility Recognition and QI Committee</b>	<p>Susan Fuchs and Evelyn Lyons reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Regions 4 &amp; 5 – Surveys began in May. One new EDAP application and one new SEDP application was received, and one SEDP hospital chose to not renew their recognition status (Region 5).</li> <li>▪ Region 11 renewal applications were due May 27<sup>th</sup>. Surveys will be in late fall/early winter.</li> <li>▪ Region 8 – AMITA Health Adventist Bolingbrook Medical Center recently received EDAP recognition.</li> <li>▪ Proposed EMSC Targeted Issues Grant – Lurie Children’s Hospital submitted this grant to engage more Critical Access Hospitals (CAH) into the pediatric facility recognition process. Sue noted this project partners with EMSC and Illinois CAH Network. Still pending communication regarding funding status.</li> <li>▪ Proposed EMSC revisions to EMS Administrative Code – EMSC rule amendments were approved but have not yet been adopted.</li> <li>▪ Interfacility Transfer Workgroup project – Carolynn Zonia chaired this workgroup to develop guidelines and tools related to communication/quality improvement information sharing between referral and receiving hospitals. An abstract was developed from findings gathered from a survey conducted of hospitals in Illinois. The guidelines still need to be developed. Carolynn Zonia is retiring and moving to Florida. Susan conveyed thanks for Carolynn’s work on this project as well as her previous work on the EMSC Advisory Board and the EMSC Facility Recognition Committee.</li> <li>▪ Current participation in facility recognition (110 hospitals) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ PCCC/EDAP level = 10; EDAP level = 88; SEDP level = 12</li> <li>○ Note: In 2014, there were approximately 960,000 ED visits for 0-15 years of age. 79.6% of these visits took place in a PCCC, EDAP or SEDP. Of the 960,000, approximately 29,000 required admission with 94.8% of these admissions taking place in a PCCC, EDAP, or SEDP facility (Source: Illinois Hospital Assn Compdata)</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Susan Fuchs reviewed the following Regional QI updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Region 1: The region is reviewing its disaster planning, as well as continuing to work to establish the PEWS process at all participating facilities.</li> <li>○ Region 2: Work continues on monitoring pain management and reassessment for extremity fractures (excluding phalanges), including the use of pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical pain interventions and the use of pain scores. Preliminary data collection suggests that a focus may be made on under-treatment.</li> <li>○ Region 3: The region is continuing its project regarding documentation of vital signs and ESI levels in triage for patients with respiratory complaints.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Physician and nurse surveyors will be needed for upcoming surveys. Contact Evelyn if interested in being on a survey team.</p>

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<b>Data Initiatives</b>	<p>Ruth Kafenztok and Dan Leonard reported on EMSC Data initiatives, which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <i>EMS Data Reporting System</i> – Web system has been updated with 2014 data for IDOT Traffic Records and Hospital Discharge data queries, and 2013 data for Trauma Registry queries.</li> <li>▪ <i>Traffic Crash “Quick Facts” Fact Sheets</i> – 2014 calendar year fact sheets are completed and are now posted on both the EMSC and IDOT websites.</li> <li>▪ <i>Data Quality Studies</i> – Dan reviewed quality studies related to assisting IDOT on identifying the feasibility of accessing blood alcohol content values from the Illinois Trauma Registry. He also discussed a DRAFT quality report in which he used inpatient hospitalization data to identify all hospital records that would potentially meet criteria for inclusion in the Illinois Trauma Registry (ITR). This analysis serves as a quality check for records entered into the ITR.</li> <li>▪ <i>Completeness Performance Measure Project for Trauma Data</i> – Dan reviewed the Draft report titled <i>Mechanism of Injury and Severity by Type of Trauma Hospital in Illinois</i>. Mike Wahl motioned to approve this report, and seconded by John Collins.</li> <li>▪ Mike Wahl identified the need to look at the mental health needs of children. The Illinois Poison Center has seen a huge increase in suicidal intent via overdose in the past 5 years. He questioned the availability</li> </ul>	Ruth and Dan will identify datasets that are currently available that can provide behavioral health

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	of data that can lend to tracking ED visits and hospitalizations related to mental health issues. Jack mentioned that the ITR has a field that identifies whether the injury was “self-inflicted”. Ruth and Dan offered to identify datasets that are currently available that can provide behavioral health information.	information related to ED visits and hospitalizations.
<b>Education</b>	<p>Evelyn reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The 6<sup>th</sup> Edition of the SNEC curriculum was rolled out in May 2016 in time for the summer courses. It contains recommendations from the 2015 SNEC courses.</li> <li>▪ Eight SNEC courses are scheduled this summer as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ June SNEC courses: Oak Brook, Peoria, Rockford and Springfield.</li> <li>○ July SNEC courses: Joliet, Elgin, Skokie and Marion.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	FYI
<b>Publications/ Presentations Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Kafenztok R, Leonard D. <i>A web-based interactive query system to track injuries and other health related events in Illinois</i>. Public Health Informatics Conference. Atlanta, GA. August 2016. Poster presentation.</li> </ul>	FYI
<b>Other</b>	John Collins noted the recent death of Paramedic Supervisor Dwayne Redmond, Ambulance 27, Chicago Fire Department.	FYI
<b>New Business – Request to add Vtell site</b>	<p>Evelyn reported on the following:</p> <p>A request has been received from Adam Sowell at Unity Point Health-Trinity (Rock Island) to be a Vtell host site on the western border of the state for EMSC Advisory Board meetings. Based on discussion with IHA, they are willing to add this as an additional site connection. They requested his contact information and IP address so they can test the connection. They should then be able to confirm that the site can be connected for future meetings. The board felt that since IHA is able to meet this request, then this has the board support.</p>	Evelyn will followup with IHA and Adam regarding this additional site connection request.
<b>Upcoming meetings</b>	<p>The next 2016 meetings are scheduled as follows from 10:00am – 12:00pm at the Illinois Hospital Assn.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Friday, September 16, 2016</li> <li>- Friday, December 16, 2016</li> </ul>	A meeting reminder will be sent to all board members
<b>Adjournment</b>	Meeting was adjourned at 11:55am.	None

Meeting minutes submitted by E. Lyons