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DRAFT **Pediatric Emergency Care Committee Meeting Minutes** **August 22nd, 2013**

PECC Members:

Christine Darr	Grace Sandeno	Sean Caffrey
Lara Rappaport	Audrey Jennings	Mike Archuleta
Ali Braun	Jim Richardson	

Guests:

Virginia Sanders	Elizabeth Spradlin	Steve Boylls
Tom Candlin	Michelle Galles	Deb Moynihan
Dave Bressler	Alexandra Hass	

Approval of previous meeting minutes

The minutes from the June 27, 2013 Meeting were approved unanimously. Rappaport / Jennings

CDPHE Update

The EMTS Section continues to operate with a number of interim positions as the Health Facilities and EMS Division works through a number of leadership changes that have led to interim promotions for Randy Kuykendall, Michelle Reese and Grace Sandeno. Barb Foster recently resigned as Professional Standards Manager. Alexandra Hass recently started as Regulatory Manager for the section.

PECC applications have been received with one applicant for the open physician position and 5 applicants for the RN, Trauma Nurse Coordinator position. Appointments are awaiting finalization by CDPHE and are expected soon.

The Critical Care Paramedic Endorsement Task Force has been established from members of the EMPAC and SEMTAC. An initial meeting was held in July and the committee is expected to meet regularly throughout the fall to discuss the endorsement process and related scope of practice issues.

The Stroke and STEMI task forces are continuing to be appointed and work of those groups is expected to start in the next few months.

EMSC Ongoing Projects

The Mobile Simulation Lab is continuing to be outfitted by the University of Colorado. The trailer that houses the lab was purchased used and is 34 feet long. In addition to minor repairs and outfitting of equipment, specialized driver training will also be required. It is expected the lab will be ready for use at some point in the fall.

Approximately \$89,000 in carryover funding from the grant cycle ended 2/28/13 was requested from HRSA in late July and is awaiting approval. Once completed it is expected that funds will be distributed to a number of EMSC projects

including the website, mobile simulation trailer, PEPP instructor materials, pediatric conference support and program supplies.

The website is now live at www.emscolorado.org. An initial blog question on spinal immobilization has been asked and answered and the EMS CE calendar is slowly gaining steam with over 30 events posted thus far. Additional work on the injury prevention and resource sections is expected. Comments to improve functionality and usefulness continue to be welcome.

Kathleen Adalgais, MD received over 200 surveys related to the acquisition of pediatric vital signs. Dr. Adalgais was not available to update the group, however, abstracts were expected to be sent to NAEMSP for consideration in the near future.

CPPQC (Colorado Prehospital Pediatric Quality Council) is scheduled to have its first meeting on Wednesday November 13 at Children's Hospital Colorado. The purpose of the group is to improve the quality of pediatric EMS care statewide by developing a core group of interested parties to evaluate pediatric EMS care delivered statewide, examine and develop evidenced based practices and deploy related education to EMS providers. Jason Kotas at CHCO is currently reaching out to a number of interested parties ahead of the first meeting.

New Business / Announcements

Steve Boylls of the Health and Safety Data Program at CDPHE presented to the group on the current structure of the statewide EMS data collection system. Virginia Sanders from Mercy Regional Medical Center(MRMC) presented to the group on the use of the ImageTrend Hospital Dashboard system and how it was being used in southwest Colorado to exchange information between EMS agencies and MRMC. Discussion followed and it was agreed that the EMS for Children program would continue to advocate for the use of the hospital dashboard.

The group discussed setting up a strategic planning retreat to update the EMS for Children Strategic Plan from 2010. It was agreed that that would be a wise use of carryover funds and that a date in late January or February 2014 would be appropriate. Sean will work to identify a date and time for the meeting.

Sean noted that the October PECC meeting would be held in conjunction with the SEMTAC committee meetings on Wednesday October 23rd at 1:00 PM. The committee discussed the history of PECC meetings moving off-cycle from the SEMTAC committees a number of years ago and further discussed the advantage of moving the PECC meetings back to SEMTAC committee day. The group agreed to co-locate PECC meetings with SEMTAC committees for 2014. Sean will send out those dates in the near future.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM