

MLREMS Training and Education Committee

Subject	Training & Education Committee	Date	5.5.20
Facilitator	Eric Rathfelder	Time	1500-1600
Location	Online	Scribe	Eric Rathfelder

This workgroup's responsibility is: To facilitate training and education initiatives for MLREMS.

	Feb	May	Jun	Aug	Oct	Dec
Amendolare, Nicole						
Carver, Jim						
Chiumento, Sharon						
Cook, Alex						
Cushman, Jeremy						
Dewar, Karen						
Erbland, Ed						
Everett, Jennifer						
Howard, Aisha						
Lloyd, Jan						
Meyer, Michael						
Missel, Linda						
Rathfelder, Eric						
Sensenbach, Ben						
Schindler, Justin						
Taylor, Terry						
Valdez, Salomon						
Present	Absent with notification		Absent			

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1. Updated CME Matrix (attachment)
 - a. Realignment with new standards/categories from state relative to CME. CME Matrix has been consolidated into one matrix from two and has been paired down to those courses for which enough information was widely available and for which a large cross section of the regional EMS community would likely be partaking. This matrix is meant to represent a regional standard and to make it very easy for administrators of CME recertification programs to assign category hours for common courses. Of course, those CICs are entitled to assign hours to categories as they believe appropriate and to evaluate courses which are not on the matrix for assessment of CME hours. In the future if an individual or agency requests T&E to consider a course for inclusion in the regional matrix, our committee will develop and provide guidance as to what information, such as course objectives/materials, we would need made available for review to consider inclusion and assignment of hours.
 - b. MANY THANKS to Linda and Mike for all the hard work they put into this process.
 - c. The following motion will be made at the May Council meeting: *the provided updated CME Matrix be endorsed by MLREMS Council as the regional standard for assessing CME credit hours for the purposes of recertification. This version shall replace and supersede any and all previous versions of the regional CME Matrix.*
2. CIU - Feedback from 2/24
 - a. Format (can 1 hour be added for a total of 4 hours, that one being online content).
 - i. Might be possible. State will only pay for a 3 hour CIU per course number but since the region is now charging for participation in CIU, this could be feasible.
 - b. Linda - valuable discussion especially with people from other regions (Buffalo) but felt as if some of the content was forced (required) rather than what was really needed or desired by the participants. Networking is relevant and was the most valuable part of this CIU - would the state approve of that type of content for future CIUs?
 - c. Eric - the agenda for the CIU this year was heavily reviewed/edited by BEMS so I'm not sure what they will approve/disapprove for agenda and content. We can submit the agenda that we believe meets the needs of our participants; BEMS decides whether to approve it.
 - d. Terry - request to centralize information coming from BEMS instead of distributing through the regional faculty. This could be accomplished efficiently through an LMS or digital format and would improve consistency in the "state updates" content provided. Also recommends requesting the state approve blended learning for the state updates AND educational methods portions of the CIU.
 - e. Terry and Eric will work on drafting a letter to BEMS soliciting support for both items in 2.d.
3. CLI Original in September

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- a. Ben to reach out to RF to tentatively schedule.
- b. Terry suggested anyone looking to potentially replace he and BethAnn might consider shadowing this one.
- c. Terry - different regions use different hours for CLI Original courses. One region teaches the course over 40 hours. The typical work a CLI does is skills instructions and that requires CLI candidates to demonstrate skills competency. Eric will discuss with Council since, again we are charging for these courses now, this is a reasonable request.
4. MLREMS Preceptor Course (scheduled for June 9th)
5. 1 year extension of EMS certifications
6. Computer Based Testing (CBT)
 - a. Ed - testing has been going smoothly. Testing sites are considered essential so they are still operating. Can be a lag in receiving a confirmation because all of the requests are collected then processed on a single date.
7. 90 extension of AHA certifications. Linda/Jan - increased to 120 day extensions.
8. EMT program sustainability.
 - a. Linda, Nicole, Ed - all making due within the guidance/requirements set by the state for COVID19.
9. Reinstatement of expired certifications (see attached slides from Ed for more information). This period has closed.
10. CME program open to all and can be 100% on line (temporarily). State has put out guidance on this. Talk with Karen or Ed if you need further info. Both have received approval for this to date. Karen through Target Solutions. Ed through Ninth Brain.
11. State is no longer accepting applications for provisional EMT certifications (out-of-state or NREMT).
12. Online submission portal for course sponsors (<https://apps.health.ny.gov/pubpal/builder/EMSCoursePaperwork>)
13. EMT cards provided from latest recertification arrived with 4 years expiration dates (hopefully a sign of things to come) per Ed. Linda - 3 year 9 month expiration for some providers who recently recertified.

Upcoming meetings:

All meetings are hybrid (live at the Division of Prehospital Medicine office and online via the contact information provided in the email at 3:00PM)

June 2, 2020

August 4, 2020

October 6, 2020

December 1, 2020