

REMAC - Meeting Minutes February 18, 2019

ATTENDANCE

#	NAME	CATEGORY	MEMBERSHIP	TERM	2018-04	2018-06	2018-08	2018-10	2018-12	2019-02
VOTING										
1	Jeremy Cushman, MD	MLREMS Medical Director	Voting / Ex Officio	N/A	P	E	CXL	CXL	P	P
2	Maia Dorsett, MD	at Large (seat 3)	Voting	3/31/2020	Ostrovsky - E	P	CXL	CXL	P	A
3	Aaron Farney, MD	Hospital - Nicholas Noyes Hospital	Voting	3/31/2023	Mayhle - P	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
4	Antonios Katsetos, DO	at Large (seat 1)	Voting	3/31/2019	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
5	Timothy Lum, MD	Hospital - Highland Hospital	Voting	3/31/2023	E	P	CXL	CXL	P	A
6	Vacant	at Large (seat 2)	Voting		E	P	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
7	Eran Muto, DO	Hospital - Rochester General Hospital	Voting	3/31/2023	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	A
8	Erik Rueckmann, MD	Hospital - Strong Memorial Hospital	Voting / Chair	3/31/2023	P	E	CXL	CXL	P	P
9	Bruce Thompson, MD	Hospital - Unity Hospital	Voting	3/31/2023	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
10	Constance Verneti, MD	at Large (seat 4)	Voting	3/31/2020	Farney - P	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
NON-VOTING										
11	William Arnold	at Large OPEN (seat 2)	Non-Voting	3/31/2020	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	A
12	Thomas Bonfiglio	at Large NYS Certified (seat 1)	Non-Voting	3/31/2019	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	A
13	Michael Bove	at Large NYS Certified (seat 4)	Non-Voting	3/31/2019	A	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
14	Robert Breese	EMS Course Sponsor	Non-Voting / Vice Chair	3/31/2019	E	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
15	Timothy Czapranski	EMS Coordinator - Monroe County	Non-Voting / Ex Officio	N/A	E	P	CXL	CXL	E	A
16	Karen Dewar	EMS Coordinator - Livingston County	Non-Voting / Ex Officio	N/A	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
17	Elizabeth Darrow-Coates	at Large NYS Certified (seat 3)	Non-Voting	3/31/2019	P	E	CXL	CXL	E	P
18	Lance Hester	at Large OPEN (seat 1)	Non-Voting	3/31/2019	P	P	CXL	CXL	A	A
19	Julie Jordan	ALS Representative	Non-Voting	3/31/2020	P	P	CXL	CXL	E	P
20	Mark Philippy	at Large NYS Certified (seat 2)	Non-Voting	3/31/2019	P	E	CXL	CXL	A	A
21	Benjamin Sensenbach	Regional Patient Safety / QA Coordinator	Non-Voting / Ex Officio	N/A	P	P	CXL	CXL	P	P
22	Pauline Shaw	Hospital Representative	Non-Voting	3/31/2020	Pollard - E	P	CXL	CXL	P	E
23	Eric Thomas	BLS Representative	Non-Voting	3/31/2019	E	E	CXL	CXL	P	P

LEGEND:
Present = P
Excused Absents = E
Unexcused Absents = A

Agenda Review – Erik Rueckmann, MD

- Additions to the agenda
 - Date corrected
 - QI vs. QA

Minutes – Erik Rueckmann, MD

- Motion to approve by Mike Bove. Seconded by Bob Breese. No discussion, motion passes.

State Actions – Ben Sensenbach

- Citywide Mobile Response Corporation
 - Violations of Part 800.22(h) and 800.23(a).
 - The ambulances shall: have all cots and devices used to transport patients secured while in motion. Such capability shall be demonstrated to the department upon inspection. These shall be crash resistant.
 - All equipment shall be clean, sanitary, and operable.

Old Business – Erik Rueckmann, MD

- REMAC Reorganization
 - Medical Operations – Connie Verneti, MD
 - Looking at ways to deal with system innovation and education. Looking for input from various agency leadership as well.
 - Patient Safety Subcommittee – Aaron Farney, MD
 - More to come during patient safety report.
- SCT Protocol Review – SCT Committee has been asked to review the SCT Protocols last reviewed in 2016
 - Once SCT committee compiles all changes, they will be sent to the group for review.
- ATS – As agencies need to be certified for ATS, the SCT Committee will review the drafted policy and send for Public Comment

New Business – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Draft Policy for Vote: Post Thrombolytic Administration & Paramedic Transport of Patients Receiving Thrombolytics
 - Motion to approve by Bob Breese, seconded by Antonios Katsetos.
 - Discussion – Once tPA is hung, the time limitation goes away does it not? Not in cases of LVO. If patient becomes hypotensive on tPA. Something to address in the training? There were a number of questions/concerns in the area of education. That absolutely needs to be incorporated in training.

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Should we incorporate GCS? We don't want this document to become too restrictive. Ultimately it's the sending physician's responsibility to weigh the risk/benefit.

- Vote: Motion Passes, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 4 absent.
- Dansville Ambulance Co. Blood Glucometry Approval
 - Completed application, Medical Director endorsement and CLIA certificate received
 - Motion to approve Jeremy Cushman, seconded by Aaron Farney. Discussion? All paperwork has been received and is in order. Vote: Motion Passes, 6 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 4 absent.

Medical Director Report – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- RSI written testing has been proctored for 5 paramedics
- SIM sessions will be forthcoming in the Spring, this includes new applicants and applicants from 2018 that did not pass their SIM evaluation.
- The next round will be in January 2020 (annual basis)
- Governor's budget impacting funding as it relates to the provision of EMS. Potentially devastating cut to EMS as it relates to Medicaid billing. Potential to affect every agency between tens of thousands to hundreds of thousands depending on their call volume. More to come, if you are interested in this, please contact Jeremy Cushman.

Program Agency Report – Ben Sensenbach

- emsCharts update
- NEMSIS V3 changeover has been difficult. Ben has been working diligently with agencies directly to solve these issues. A guidance document has been distributed, but if your agency is having issues, please have them contact Ben.
- At the hospital level – if there is an urgent need for a chart, contact our office and we can pull that as we work through these chart closure issues.

Patient Safety Subcommittee – Aaron Farney, MD

- Policy review
 - Hope to have edits out for public comment next month, the two major content changes include:
 - Near Miss Sentinel Event Reporting
 - Quality Improvement Course – aside from Just Culture, looking at a two semester long course meeting once a month. What is a benchmark, what is evidence based performance improvement, etc.
 - Please send any suggestions to Aaron Farney.
- Receiving applications for the committee until 3/4/2019

- Positions available for two physicians and three at large medical providers

Council (MLREMS) – Reg Allen

- No Report

State Council Meetings – Mark Philippy / Jeremy Cushman, MD

- State approved the Statewide ALS & BLS Protocol Update. State is going through their policy approval process. There will be an advisory with some bullet points for changes. The State has until August to adopt this.
- Director Greenberg is making a huge effort to convert things to electronic.

Regional Trauma Advisory Committee –Bob Breese

- No RTAC since our last meeting
- Next RTAC scheduled for March 12th at 1230

Individual Hospital Reports

Rochester Regional

RGH – Eran Muto, DO

- RGH EMS Community Meeting 2/27/2019 at 0800
- LVO Capable

Unity/St. Mary's – Bruce Thompson, MD

- Dr. Thompson is going to be out on medical leave. Dr. Katsetos will be interim Unity EMS Director

UR Medicine

SMH/Strong West – Erik Rueckmann, MD

- LVADs discharge from Strong has been handled by our office historically. The same process has been set up for RRHS.
- Welcome Monica Seaman to REMAC. One of our nurse educators at Strong.

Highland – Timothy Lum, MD

- No Report

Noyes – Aaron Farney, MD

- No Report

Motion to adjourn: Mike Bove, Seconded by Bob Breese. Motion Passes.

Next Meeting is April 15, 2019 at the PSTF, 1190 Scottsville Road, Rochester NY, Rm 107, at 1700.

Link for full meeting video:

<https://youtu.be/498qqUsbIrE>