



Monroe-Livingston REMAC Minutes
December 18, 2023 at 5pm
Public Safety Training Facility Room 103

Roll Call Attendance – Ben Sensenbach

Agenda Review – Erik Rueckmann, MD

- Additions to the agenda - none
- Minutes Review & Approval
 - April 2023
 - June 2023
 - October 2023
 - Motion to approve the minutes by Dr. Cushman, seconded by Tim Czapranski. All in favor, no opposed, no abstentions. Motion passes.

State Actions – Ben Sensenbach

- Christopher Langevin
 - Certification suspended for one year effective 11/8/23. The suspension is stayed pending no further violations for a period of three years.
 - Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.
 - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.3(al), 800.3(am), 800.15(a)(2), 800.16(a)(2), and 800.16(a)(3).
 - "...Incompetence means a lack of, or loss of, skill or knowledge to practice the profession, and/or practicing with negligence, as negligence is defined in this part, on one or more occasions while treating a patient..."
 - "...Negligence means a failure to perform, on one or more EMS calls, as an ordinary, reasonable, similarly situated certificate holder certified at the same level would, based upon the standard of care in the region, as delineated in controlling protocols, curricula, and policies, and as demonstrated by an ordinary, reasonable certificate holder's general standards of practice..."
 - "...Every person certified at any level pursuant to this Part or Article 30 of the Public Health Law shall: comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by:...State-approved protocols developed by the State and/or Regional Medical Advisory Committees pursuant to sections 3002-a and 3004-a of the Public Health Law..."
 - "...has been negligent in the performance of his/her EMS duties and practice, as negligence is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."
 - "...has been incompetent in the performance of his/her EMS duties and practice, as incompetence is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."
- Joseph George

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- Certification revoked effective 10/20/23. Assessed a civil penalty of \$500.
- For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(7).
 - "...has procured, or has attempted to procure, his/her certification or re-certification through any form of fraud or deceit, including, but not limited to, the intentional false representation or misrepresentation, either expressly or by omission, on his/her application for emergency medical services certification or re-certification, of information pertaining to prior convictions, offenses, regulatory violations and actions against other professional licenses and certification held by the certificate holder or having received certification without having completed all the specified requirements..."
- Steven Rivera
 - Certification suspended for one year effective 10/17/23. The suspension is stayed.
 - Placed on probation for three years effective 10/17/23.
 - Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.
 - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.3(am).
 - "...Negligence means a failure to perform, on one or more EMS calls, as an ordinary, reasonable, similarly situated certificate holder certified at the same level would, based upon the standard of care in the region, as delineated in controlling protocols, curricula, and policies, and as demonstrated by an ordinary, reasonable certificate holder's general standards of practice..."
- Katherine Seipel
 - Certification suspended for one year effective 11/1/23. The suspension is stayed pending no further violations for a period of three years.
 - Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.
 - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.3(al), 800.3(am), 800.15(a)(1), 800.15(a)(2), 800.16(a)(1), 800.16(a)(2) and 800.16(a)(3).
 - "...Incompetence means a lack of, or loss of, skill or knowledge to practice the profession, and/or practicing with negligence, as negligence is defined in this part, on one or more occasions while treating a patient..."
 - "...Negligence means a failure to perform, on one or more EMS calls, as an ordinary, reasonable, similarly situated certificate holder certified at the same level would, based upon the standard of care in the region, as delineated in controlling protocols, curricula, and policies, and as demonstrated by an ordinary, reasonable certificate holder's general standards of practice..."
 - "...Every person certified at any level pursuant to this Part or Article 30 of the Public Health Law shall: comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by: State-approved training curricula and State-approved training standards, in accordance with section 800.20 of this Part..."
 - "...Every person certified at any level pursuant to this Part or Article 30 of the Public



Health Law shall: comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by ...State-approved protocols developed by the State and/or Regional Medical Advisory Committees pursuant to sections 3002-a and 3004-a of the Public Health Law..."

- "...has failed to comply with the requirements of Section 800.15 of this Part..."
- "...has been negligent in the performance of his/her EMS duties and practice, as negligence is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."
- "...has been incompetent in the performance of his/her EMS duties and practice, as incompetence is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."
- Tyges Besch
 - Certification revoked effective 10/16/23.
 - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(5).
 - "...has been convicted of one or more criminal offenses, as that term is defined in § 800.3(ak) of this Part, unless, in accordance with Article 23-A of the Corrections Law, the department determines, that (i) there is not a direct relationship between one or more of the criminal offenses and the duties required of this certificate or (ii) allowing the certificate holder to retain his/her certificate would not involve an unreasonable risk to property or the safety or welfare of a specific individual or the general public. In determining these questions, the agency will look at the eight factors listed under New York State Correctional Law Section 753..."

New Business – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Care and Restraint of Agitated or Combative Patients
 - Updated from previous policy to clarify techniques and a need for a continuum of care to ensure our patients are safely restrained. Motion to approve by Tony Katsetos, seconded by Tyler Lemay. No further discussion. All in favor, no opposed, no abstentions, motion passes.

Old Business – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Hospital Capabilities
 - Any additional updates? Nothing further. This will be posted on our webpage.

Program Agency Report – Ben Sensenbach

- RSI Credentialing Program
 - If your agencies are sending providers through the program, they will need Medical Director approval. Please send endorsement to us.
- Office is closed for the holidays December 21-January 1st.

Regional Medical Director Report – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- No further report



Associate Regional Medical Director for Patient Safety– Aaron Farney, MD

- No Report

Associate Regional Medical Director for Education & Quality – Maia Dorsett, MD, PhD

- We successfully have a data use agreement with RGH and Unity who has sent their get with the guidelines data for Stroke. Update will be forthcoming at the next meeting

Council (MLREMS) – Tim Kelly

- No Report

State Council Meetings – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- SEMAC did not have quorum so did not meet. Complete set of protocols are delayed until February 7th meeting. We will continue to build out the training related to this.
- SEMSCo – Part 800 educational changes are up at the State Registry for review and brought to the SEMSCo in June.

Regional Trauma Advisory Committee – Adam Oplinger

- Lauren Pierson is stepping down as the Pediatric Trauma Program Manager to become the first Pediatric Trauma APP. Adam Oplinger is taking over that position going forward.
- 2024 RTAC meeting dates have been identified will be sent out once rooms have been confirmed.
- RTAC By-Laws to be reviewed.

Individual Hospital Reports

Rochester Regional

RGH – Connie Verneti, MD

- No Report

Unity/St. Mary's – Tony Katsetos, DO

- No Report

UR Medicine

SMH/Strong West – Erik Rueckmann, MD

- If you need assistance getting a patient into SMH with the new ramp in the EMS entrance, please



ask for help from the hospital staff.

Highland – Jay Schueckler, DO

- No Report

Noyes – Aaron Farney, MD

- No Report

Motion to adjourn by Bill Comella, seconded by Tim Frost.

Next Meeting is February 26, 2023 (moved due to the holiday) at 5pm at the PSTF 1190 Scottsville Road, Rochester, NY.

Meeting Link: https://youtu.be/O_fls_X9sCY