



**Monroe-Livingston Regional EMS Council**

**May 20, 2024**

**Public Safety Training Center**

**1190 Scottsville Road**

**Rochester, NY**

**4PM**

**2024 MLREMS Award Ceremony**

- ALS Providers of the Year – Rebecca Henry Livingston County EMS
- BLS Provider of the Year – Daniel O’Connell Pittsford Ambulance / Ridge Road Fire District
- Paramedic Rookie of the Year – Sierra Chouinard – Livingston County EMS / Honeoye Falls Ambulance
- EMS Educator of Excellence – Amy Niespodzinski – Rochester Fire Department
- Harriet C. Weber EMS Leadership – Mark Philippy – Livingston County EMS
- EMS Agency of the Year – Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance
- EMS Communication Specialist – Charles Vitale – Monroe County 911 Center
- Physician of Excellence - Maia Dorsett - MLREMS Associate Medical Director

***Congratulations to the Award Recipients  
and  
all the EMS Providers that were nominated.***

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- Regional Medical Director / SEMAC Representative Jeremy Cushman:
  - The Collaborative Protocol rollout continues
  - Dr. Dorsett working with Hudson Valley Region has completed Hospice Care Protocol training; this is not mandatory, but recommended.
  - Reminder to agencies if adding medications (Anti-biotics, Acetaminophen, etc) that approval from Regional Medical Director is needed, to help track what agency is carrying these medications.
  - Agencies and Medical Director for SCT agencies have been meeting, to updates the standard for SCT. This was approved by REMAC.
  - Handtevy project has been a huge success, thanks to the Monroe County EMS Chiefs Association to help provide funding for this program.
  - DPM is handling all the administrative functions for Handtevy project.
  - The E-PCR committee has been doing forward on updating our regional data dictionary, also Rochester FD is moving to a new E-PCR and building our regional dictionary.
  - I will be stepping down from SEMAC, I have been the on this committee for 16 years. I will continue to represent MLREMS until such time as a replacement is approved by the state.

- To support the recommendation of Dr. Maia Dorsett as the MLREMS representative to SEMAC pending the vetting process.

Motion: J. Smith

Second: A. Cook

All Ayes

- SEMSCO Representative – Vacant
  - The vetting process continues on Sam Tinelli.
- REMAC Aaron Farney:
  - REMAC met on April 15, 2024.
  - Motion was approved to establish a Pediatric Advisory Committee, this will help agencies with the various best practices with pediatric incidents and such.
  - Next REMAC June 17, 2024 at PSTF.
- Training & Ed Chair Tim Hutchings:
  - Part 800 Education changes have been approved;
  - Updated Policy Statement regarding CIC and CLI;
  - Additional Policy Statements will be forthcoming addressing the Part 800 changes;

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- Systems Operations Chair Jon Smith:
  - Monroe County Mutual Aid Plan is back from County Legal, there has been some additional comments brought forth, Committee will be reviewing these comments and not sure if will have to be sent back to County Legal for a second review;
  - Have started looking at the Monroe County MCI/MPI plan to review and address with educational and other references to MCI;
  - With NYS developing performance standards, the Committee will review these and see what is best for the region;
- PIER Chair Geordie Keubler:
  - Thanks to all that assisted with the Awards Ceremony;
  - Special recognition to Mindy Cannuli for all her hard work in making this all come together;
  - Tim Hutchings for securing the venue and the setup of the award ceremony, very well done;
  - Many of the MLREMS award winners will also be forwarded to the NAEMT Association for consideration for their awards;
- Livingston County EMS Coordinator Karen Dewar :
  - Nothing to report since last meeting;
- Monroe County EMS Coordinator Tim Czapranski:
  - Western Wayne Ambulance has requested to be part of the Monroe County Mutual Aid, they have a CON for the Town of Webster;
- E-PCR Committee – Ben Sensenbach & Jim Cassin
  - Dr. Cushman covered under his report;

At 17:28 Hours:

Council to go to executive session for discussion on the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;

Motion: J. Smith

Second: W. Arnold All Ayes

At 17:50 Hours:

Jeremy Cushman, Lauren Pierson, Eric Rathfelder, Aaron Farney, Ben Sensenbach excused from Executive session due to any perceived or potential conflict of interest.

At 17:59 Hours:

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Tim Hutchings excused from Executive session due to work commitments.

At 18:14 hours:

Council returned to open session, with no action taken by Council in Executive session. Jeremy Cushman, Aaron Farney, Ben Sensenbach returned to open session.

Motion: T. Frost

Second: T. Czapranski All Ayes

**The Council will transition the Program Agency from the Council to URMCM working through all aspects with NYS BEMS. Special Council Meeting as noted under new business are scheduled.**

- Program Agency Ben Sensenbach:
  - Program agency is working with Program Agency on Stroke Initiatives;
  - CNY Program Agency has asked about the MLREMS Hand Off process, working with them;
  - Potential CON applications in near future that may require special Counsel meetings to meet CON time frame, more to follow as the applications(s) are received;
  - There will be a free leadership course sponsored by NYS here at the PSTF with Terry Taylor III and Mike McEvoy teaching;
- State Actions;
- Nicholas Messina
  - Certification has been surrendered effective 4/15/24.
  - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16 (a)(7) and (13).
  - "...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..."
  - "...has held him/herself out as being certified at a higher level than actually certified, or has exceeded his/her authorized scope of practice, as that term is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part..."
- Arnaldo Deliz Jr.
  - Revoked effective 3/18/24. Assessed a civil penalty of \$5,000.
  - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16 (a)(1)-(3)
  - "...has failed to comply with the requirements of Section 800.15 of this Part..."

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- "...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..."
- Ryan Gittens
  - Suspended for one year effective 3/18/24. Assessed a civil penalty of \$2,000.
  - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16 (a)(1)-(3)
  - "...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..."
- Jeffrey Ashdown
  - Surrendered effective 3/7/24.
  - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.15 (a)(2)
  - "...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 State and/or Regional Medical Advisory Committees pursuant to sections 3002-a and 3004-a of the Public Health Law..."
- Amanda Van Heemstede Obelt
  - Suspended for one year effective 3/11/24. The suspension is stayed. Placed on three years probation effective 3/11/24. Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000. \$500 is suspended pending probation.
  - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16 (a)(10)
  - "...has misappropriated any money or any property from any source during the course of any EMS duty and/or practice, irrespective of whether such misappropriation is prosecuted as a crime..."
- Old Business – None
- New Business –
  - Approve recommendation for Physician to represent MLREMS on SEMAC.
- Special Council Meetings are scheduled for:
  - June 3, 2024 4PM at Livingston County EMS Base at Livingston County EMS Base 5582 Lake Road Avon, NY.
  - June 17, 2024 4PM at the PSTF 1190 Scottsville Road Rochester, NY 14624
  - Secretary to make the required notifications.
- NYS DOH and Other Important Dates –

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- SEMAC and SEMSCO September 17 and 18, 2024 at the Embassy Suites Saratoga Springs, Troy, NY.
- SEMAC and SEMSCO December 3 and 4, 2024 at the Troy Hilton Garden Inn Troy, NY.
- EMS Vital Signs Conference October 16-20, 2024 Riverside Convention Center, Rochester, NY.
- Next Council Meeting – Monday July 15, 2024 16:00 Hours at Livingston County EMS Base 5582 Lake Road Avon, NY.

Adjournment at 18:15 Hours

Motion: J. Smith

Second: T. Frost

All Ayes

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### 2024 MLREMS Meeting Attendance Record

Category	Name	Term Expires	2024-01	2024-03	2024-05	2024-07	2024-09	2024-11
Monroe County At Large - Seat 1	Arnold, William	3/31/25	P	P	P			
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 4	Cassin, James	3/31/25	P	P	P			
Livingston County At Large - Seat 2	Cook, Alex	3/31/26	P	E	P			
Monroe County CON - Seat 1	Coyle Thomas	3/31/25	P	E	P			
Regional Medical Director	Cushman, Jeremy	Ex-Offico	P	E	P			
Monroe County EMS Coordinator	Czapranski, Timothy	Ex-Offico	P	P	P			
Livingston County EMS Coordinator	Dewar, Karen	Ex-Offico	P	P	P			
REMAC Representative	Farney, Aaron	3/31/25	P	P	P			
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 3	Frost, Timothy	3/31/26	E	E	P			
Monroe County At Large - Seat 2	Hutchings, Timothy	3/31/25	P	P	P			
Monroe County At Large - Seat 3	Kirchoff, Thomas	3/31/25	P	A	P			
Livingston County - BLSFR	Klueber, Geordie	3/31/26	P	P	P			
Livingston County At Large - Seat 1	Lindskoog, Jonathan	3/31/25	P	P	E			
Monroe County At Large - Seat 4	Merdak, Jessee	3/34/28	E	P	P			
Healthcare Representative - Seat 3	Nugent, Brandon	3/31/25	Vacant	P	E			
Monroe County CON - Seat 2	Perez, Andrew	3/31/28	P	P	P			
Healthcare Representative - Seat 1	Pierson, Lauren	3/31/26	P	P	P			
Law Enforcement	Rathfelder, Eric	3/31/26	E	P	P			
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 2`	Smith, Jonathan	3/31/26	P	P	P			
Livingston County CON -	Tinelli, Samuel	3/31/26	P	P	P			
EMS Training / Education	Vacant	3/31/28	P	A	Vacant			
Livingston County At Large - Seat 3	Vacant	3/31/25	E	Vacant	Vacant			
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 1	Vacant	3/31/25	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
Healthcare Representative - Seat 2	Vacant	3/31/28	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
Community Representative	Vacant	3/31/28	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
Monroe County - BLSFR	Vacant	3/31/28	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			

**Attendance Legend :**

**Present = P**

**Absent = A**

**Excused = E**

**Attendance for Quorum:**

**Quorum = 13 Members**

**Super Majority = 17 Members**

