

NH EMS Coordinating Board

MEETING MINUTES (**Not Approved**)

September 19, 2024

1:00 PM

NH Fire Academy Classrooms 5 & 6

Quorum: 11 members required, (19 members currently)

Members Present:

Craig Clough, Joel Coelho, Kevin Drew, Mark Hastings, Ryan Hornblower, Theresa Jarvis, Justin Kantar, Eric Martin, Joshua Morrison, Maurice Paquette, Matthew Petrin, Michael Reeney, Laura Sheridan, Chris Stawasz

Members Absent:

Rebecca Cain, Neil Meehan, David Tauber, Scott Weden, Eric Wilking

NH FST&EMS Staff:

Joe Cartier, Joanne Lahaie, Jeff Phillips, Matt Robblee, Jsutin Romanello, Walter Trachim, Crystal Tuttle

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM by Chair Clough.

1) Welcome/Membership

A. Discussed membership expirations and vacancies.

2) Approval of the minutes

A motion was made (Drew/Kantar) to approve the July 18, 2024, minutes as presented. All in favor, none opposed.

3) Division/Committee Reports

A. Division Report / Bureau of EMS

- i) Trauma rules are still being reviewed by the DOS legal department.
- ii) Specialty services is vacant, but interviews are scheduled. A meeting is scheduled with NH Hospital Association related to IFT. Littleton was awarded the Northern Borders grant, which is \$250,000 dollars per year for the next three years to support their MIH mission.
- iii) Educational Training Agencies (ETA) has nine in process now.
- iv) EMS psychomotor -New streamlined workflow process, State taking over ALS Exams until complete ETA implementation, State will schedule both BLS and ALS exams until May 2025 and I/C's will be able to apply for and be approved for portfolio-based testing until complete ETA implementation.
- v) Exemption for MIH with DHHS – As of September 19, 2024, an amended version He-P 809.02 (e) was approved by JLCAR with the pertinent change being the removal of the expiration date. This change validates the effectiveness and impact of the previous 9 years of MIH projects.
- vi) Compliance has 48 active investigations.
- vii) 9 ETA's were licensed, 2 are in process.

B). AI reporting Presentation

- I. A presentation was given by Eric Clague about an AI reporting system (policereports.ai).

4) Committee/ Board/ Work Group Reports

A. Medical Control Board- Dr. Morrison

I. OD Map presentation, diversity and equity discussion, and letter to the Commissioner regarding removal of deceased members names from the compliance web page.

B. TMRC- Joel Coelho

II. Discussed open positions on the TMRC, NTDB data dictionary, and reviewing the checklist for trauma designations for hospitals. Discussion on revitalizing the seatbelt coalition, and gathering data related to motor vehicle accidents.

5) Old Business

A. Letter to the Commissioner

I. Letter has been sent to the Commissioners office.

B. Legislation Updates

II. Cost Study report being done by the state as part of SB 407, still waiting on some departments to participate.

6) New Business

A. Protocol development update

i) Updating software used to create protocols.

ii) Functionality of the document and distribution of the protocols will be streamlined and updated. Focusing on what the users need and how the product looks on phones and tablets.

iii) Make the pediatric section easily identifiable.

iv) Protocol subcommittee meetings will resume meetings in 2 weeks.

(1) The goal is to slim down what is needed in the protocols and if the creation of a separate educational document is needed.

B. Committee of Merit update

I. The Committee revised their bylaws and added more members to the EMS Committee and crated an EMS award for children. The date of the ceremony has been moved to the Springtime. The next ceremony is April 13, 2025. Discussed access to the nomination form.

C. High flow cannula protocol 5.8 clarification

I. A discussion was held about the wording in the protocols for High flow cannula.

7) Good of the Order

8) Adjournment

A motion was made (Hornblower/Stawasz) to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, none opposed.

Next Meeting: November 21, 2024 -Classrooms 5 & 6