

EMSC Committee Meeting
March 20, 2007
Meeting Minutes

In attendance:

Dr. Carol Cunningham
Linda Eckfeld
Gordon Gillespie
Sherri Kovach
John Larch
Dr. Wendy Pomerantz
Joe Stack (EMSC Coordinator)

The meeting opened at 12:20 pm.

The meeting began with a review of the November meeting minutes; Mr. Larch moved to approve, Dr. Pomerantz seconded and the minutes were approved by acclamation.

Mr. Stack said he had prepared a presentation on the Emergency Department Categorization Survey for the EMS Board and would distribute this to the EMSC Committee. Dr. Pomerantz asked Mr. Stack to remind the Committee about starting the workgroup for implementing a categorization plan.

Dr. Cunningham asked for the EMSC Committee to review and comment to her on the March 18 version of the WMD guidelines as soon as possible, particularly on the following three areas: (1) nerve agent antidotes; (2) cyanide, and (3) sodium thiosulfate.

Mr. Stack reported that 39 applications were received by Feb. 28 for the pediatric mannequin grant; e-mail was subsequently sent to EMS agencies and we have received over 70 requests for more information. The program will be extended with a deadline of April 30.

Mr. Stack noted that the Ohio Safe Kids Coalition would hold a meeting of chapter representatives on March 28 to discuss the upcoming Safe Kids Buckle Up grant application. Mr. Stack added that Sen. Kearney had reintroduced his booster seat legislation as SB 27; Dr. Pomerantz replied that the bill had been withdrawn.

Dr. Pomerantz stated that she had reviewed the Ohio EMSC Strategic Plan for 2003-06 and asked about several of the issues which had not been addressed, and asked Mr. Stack to prepare a list and distribute it to the EMSC Committee for review and discussion at the next meeting. This list includes:

ED Facility Categorization
Model Emergency Care Plan for child care providers
Approved equipment lists for hospitals & providers

Disaster Preparedness
Survey/plan for emergency care for family practitioners
CSHCN & EMS
Critical incident stress management programs
Pediatric representation on RPABs
EMS dispatch training
Injury prevention initiatives
Data
Family centered care

Mr. Stack added the review of the mannequin grant applications and the EMSC Performance Measures, which are the requirements from HRSA for the EMSC Partnership Grant. Dr. Pomerantz asked Mr. Stack to send the 03-06 plan to the Committee with a list of the required EMSC Committee members from the Performance Measures.

Mr. Stack noted that the EMSC Annual Grantee Meeting would be held June 19-21 in Silver Spring, Maryland.

Dr. Pomerantz asked if the next meeting could be held at the Ohio AAP office, and to have an RSVP list sent to the Committee and other interested parties for this meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:38pm. The next EMSC Committee meeting will be Tuesday, May 15, 2007, from 12:15pm to 2:00pm, site TBA.