Education Committee

Minutes

Wednesday

May 8th, 2019

0930-1130

DeChamplain

1. **Call to Order** 0930

***Members present*:** Joanne Lebrun, Stephanie Cordwell, Steve Smith, Kevin Gurney, Ben Zetterman, Leah Mitchell, Brian Chamberlin, Denis Russell, Amy Drinkwater, Myles Block, Mike Drinkwater

***Members Absent*:** Paul Froman, Chris Pare

***MEMS Staff*:** Don Sheets

***Stakeholders*:** David Mejia

1. **Introductions/Public Comments**:
2. **Acceptance of Minutes:** March & April Minutes Tabled to June motioned by Lebrun Seconded by Smith unanimous.
3. **Additions to Agenda: None**
4. **State Update:**
   1. Legislative – LD 915 needs support as it moves through the legislature. This is an act to increase the Mainecare rate to the medicare rate. This has significant positive impact on our system and folks should reach out to express their support and the need for this bill.
   2. Staffing – Remains short but the Commissioner and Board are actively working to support the office.
5. **Old Business:**
   1. Protocol review
      1. Small group work – Individual groups worked on the Gold, Yellow, Blue, and Pink sections. The work completed is available upon request to Maine EMS.
         1. Highlights of this work included questions regarding the intent of the airway checklist and that perhaps this should be relabeled as the pre-intubation checklist.
         2. Feedback to the MDPB about submersion of ECG leads to monitor a patient who is hypothermic being placed in an ice bath.
         3. Other comments regarding emphasizing scene safety within certain protocols.
      2. Don will be working with Dr. Sholl & Zimmerman to provide feedback to the Medical Direction and Practices Board.
6. **Adjournment: 1136**