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**Education Committee**

Wednesday  
13 May 2020  
0900-1130

Online ZOOM Teleconference, due to COVID-19 Conditions.

**Minutes**

- Members Present:** Dave Mejia, Leah Mitchell, Aiden Koplovsky, Amy Drinkwater, Ben Zetterman, Brian Chamberlin, Joanne Lebrun, Stephanie Cordwell, Mike Drinkwater, Dennis Russell, Steve Smith
- Members Absent:** Steve Merrill, Paul Froman
- Staff:** Chris Azevedo, Jason Oko, Griffin Bourassa, Melissa Adams, Marc Minkler
- Stakeholders:** Debbie Morgan, Rick Petrie, Don Sheets, Eric Wellman, Sally Taylor, Mike Senecal,

*“The mission of Maine EMS is to promote and provide for a comprehensive and effective Emergency Medical Services system to ensure optimum patient care with standards for all providers. All members of this board/committee should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this Board/Committee, we commit to serve the respective providers, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”*

**I. Call to Order:**

- a. Introductions

**II. Approval of Minutes:**

- a. Approval of March meeting minutes
- i. Joanne Lebrun made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Amy Drinkwater. Discussion. Motion passed.

**III. Additions/Deletions to Agenda:**

- a. Request to keep AVOC, PIFT and other topics on the monthly agenda for the purpose of reminder that they need to be addressed, despite any potential lack of meeting time to discuss them. Agreed to by all.

**IV. State Update:**

- a. Chris Azevedo
- i. Education
1. Discussion for later in the meeting regarding restarting clinicals for EMS licensure programs.

- b. EMS-C
  - i. Marc Minkler
    1. Working on some training programs that could be put on MEMSEd
    2. AHA decisions on COVID guidelines. NAEMSP supported adult pauses for CPR, but not pediatric pauses for CPR.
- c. EMD/Licensing
  - i. Melissa Adams
    1. Inquiries regarding licensing extensions
- d. Data
  - i. Jason Oko
    1. Working on tallying COVID patient numbers
    2. Tracking PPE usage
    3. Small change to run MEFIRS form regarding exposure list, for use if you are exposed to droplets or bodily fluids
    4. Second data coordinator interviewed
    5. Dennis addresses issues entering CEH's into Image Trend
      - a. Jason Oko addresses update of URL for the Image Trend site

## V. New Business

- a. Development of a universal standard for Training Center development of operational plan for conducting hospital and medical facility clinical rotations, and field ride-along rotations under COVID conditions.
  - i. Dennis Russel discusses his idea and documents regarding the tasking.
  - ii. Chris Azevedo goes over the criteria bullet points for discussion by the group.
  - iii. Dennis Russel goes over his document, "Plan for Restarting Clinicals," for the group and leads ensuing discussion.
    1. Discussion regarding students at hi-risk for COVID infection
    2. Discussion regarding fit-testing.
- b. **BREAK TAKEN 1015**
- c. Work resumes at 1030 with continuation of above topics
- d. Motion made by Brian Chamberlin to submit working checklist document to Maine EMS. The motion is seconded by Amy Drinkwater. Discussion. The motion is passed.
- e. Dennis Russell suggests tentatively scheduling Friday, 15 May 2020 as a next meeting date for discussion in case more work is necessary.
  - i. Brian Chamberlin suggests that the only agenda item for Friday's meeting, if conducted, be the discussion of this issue. Dennis Russell makes the motion that the above be the single agenda item. Motion seconded by Leah Mitchell. The motion is carried.

**VI. Old Business:**

- a. AVOC- tabled to next month
- b. PIFT- tabled to next month
- c. Draft Committee Policies- tabled
- d. Protocol Updates- tabled to next month
  - i. Committee members request that Chris Azevedo re-send the protocol author/Education Committee group lists.

**VII. Next Meeting: Noon, Friday 15 May 2020 for specific work on Training Center operational plans for conducting PSEs if needed. Otherwise, next meeting at 0900, 10 Jun 2020**

**VIII. Adjournment 1130 hrs.**