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LD 2105 Sub-Committee Meeting  
December 15, 2020 at 8:30 AM  
Zoom: <https://maine-ems-gov.zoom.us/j/2076263864>  
Agenda

“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 should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this Board, we commit to serve the respective providers, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”

1. Call to order - 0835
2. Reading of the Maine EMS mission statement
3. Attendance
  - a. MEMBERS PRESENT: Tim Beals, Holly Doherty, Anthony Fournier, Rob Hillman, Tom Judge, Joe Kellner (Chair), Kristine Ossenfort, Katherine Pelletreau, Andrew Turcotte
  - b. Maine EMS Staff Present: Griffin Bourassa, AAG Ron Guay, Sam Hurley (0910)
  - c. Public Present: Colleen McCarthy Reid, Rebecca Graham (MMA), Lisa McPherson, Jesse Thompson, Jay Bradshaw, Jeff Austin, Butch Russell
4. Public Comment
  - a. None
5. Approval of the December 1 meeting minutes

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a. **Motion** to accept once MHDO is corrected to MeHAP on line 45 by Andy  
Turcotte seconded by Tom Judge.

i. **Roll call vote**

1. Tim Beals- *yes*
2. Holly Doherty- *yes*
3. Anthony Fournier- *yes*
4. Robert Hillman- *yes*
5. Tom Judge- *yes*
6. Joe Kellner- *yes*
7. Kristine Ossenfort- *yes*
8. Katherine Pelletreau- *yes*
9. Andrew Turcotte- *yes*

6. Modifications to the agenda

7. Old business

a. Insurance carrier results (Katherine Pelletreau)

i. Katherine briefly discussed the results of the MeHAP survey.

Some EMS representatives on the committee shared that the  
criteria for denial seem to vary widely from carrier to carrier.

b. Draft documents:

- i. Statement of issue
- ii. Statement of facts
- iii. Summary of data

c. Possible recommendations:

- i. Follow the Public Utilities Commission Model, where there is a standard offer.
- ii. Carriers standardizing rules about billing to make it easier for EMS services to understand.
- iii. MMA was identified as a resource for assisting municipal services through the negotiations and contract process.
- iv. Using a Medicare multiplier.

d. First draft report

8. New business

- a. Final report to be complete by January 12
- b. Other data needed
- c. Next steps

9. Other

10. Action items and next steps

- a. Committee members and stakeholders to review the draft recommendation document. Changes should be submitted to Griffin for compilation and distribution before the next meeting. Changes are due by December 23 at 4:30 PM.

- b. The committee moved to meet again on December 29, 2020, at 8:30 AM.

11. Next meeting: January 12 at 8:30

12. Adjourn

- a. **Motion** to adjourn by Tom Judge seconded by Tony Fournier at 0957