

EMS Financial Health Committee (LD 1258)

Tuesday, February 1, 2022 8:29 AM

Meeting Date: 2/14/2022 10:00 AM

Location: <https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/81226565262?pwd=bThpNWR1SGpGcStaWWZwc21ZbjZ3Zz09>

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Invitation Message

Participants

- [Davis, Darren W](#) (Meeting Organizer)
- [Andy Turcotte, Paramedic](#) (Accepted in Outlook)
- [John Martel, MD, Ph.D](#)
- [Joseph Kellner](#) (Accepted in Outlook)

Notes

1. Call to order 10:04 AM

2. Reading of the Maine EMS Mission Statement

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

3. Attendance

- [Davis, Darren W](#) (Staff, Non-voting)
- [Andy Turcotte, Paramedic](#) - Maine EMS Board
- [John Martel, MD, Ph.D](#) - Maine EMS Board
- [Joseph Kellner](#) - Maine EMS Board

Public

Rick Petrie
DC Pineau Topsham
Aiden Koplovsky Hampten
Sean McPherson
Cody Fenderson
Amanda McPPerson
Jason Cooney

4. Prior Minutes

- a. None

5. Public Comment

6. Modifications to the agenda

7. Old Busines

- a. None

8. New Business

- a. Overview: Joe spoke about the background and origin of the committee
- b. Review of Goals and objectives

i. Review of financial health and costs of ambulance service providers and the delivery of services by ambulance service providers. The Emergency Medical Services' Board shall convene a stakeholder group, including representatives of the Maine Ambulance Association, municipal and private ambulance services, health insurance carriers and the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Bureau of Insurance, to review issues related to financial health and costs of ambulance service providers and the delivery of services by ambulance service providers in this State, including issues related to the medical necessity and reasonableness of ambulance services. The stakeholder group shall consider and develop financial and cost reporting standards and other metrics related to the delivery and quality of ambulance services to measure and evaluate ambulance services in this State. The Emergency Medical Services' Board shall submit a report on the results of its review, including any recommendations, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health coverage, insurance and financial services matters no later than February 1, 2023. The joint standing committee may report out a bill based on the report to the First Regular Session of the 131st Legislature.

c. Committee Formation

i. Members

- 1) Andy Turcotte, Paramedic - Maine EMS Board Appointed
- 2) John Martel, MD, Ph.D - Maine EMS Board Appointed
- 3) Joseph Kellner - Maine EMS Board Appointed
- 4) Maine Ambulance Association (1 rep) Make inquiry to Jay Bradshaw
- 5) Rural Municipal Ambulance Service Social Media Blast (Tweet, FB, Website)
- 6) Rural Non-Municipal Ambulance Service Social Media Blast (Tweet, FB, Website)
Private
- 7) Non-Rural Municipal Ambulance Service Social Media Blast (Tweet, FB, Website)
- 8) Non-Rural Non-Municipal Ambulance Service Social Media Blast (Tweet, FB, Website)
Private
- 9) Non-Transporting Ambulance Service
- 10) MeAHP Representative; to also appoint
- 11) 1 Representative of a health plan based in Maine
- 12) 1 Representative of a for profit health plan
- 13) 1 Representative of a non-profit health plan
- 14) 1 bureau of insurance representative Reach out to their office for recommendation
- 15) 1 Maine Health Data Organization Representative
- 16) Motion to accept proposed makeup for submission to board by Andy Turcotte
- 17) Seconded by Dr Martel

- [Andy Turcotte, Paramedic](#) - Maine EMS Board
- [John Martel, MD, Ph.D](#) - Maine EMS Board
- [Joseph Kellner](#) - Maine EMS Board

ii. Meeting Schedule: Next meeting set for Thursday March 10, 2022 at 1100 AM

9. Action Items

- MEMS Social Media Blast (Tweet, FB, Website, Gov Delivery (All Clinicians union Service Chiefs))
- Joe Kellner Maine Ambulance Association (1 rep) Make inquiry to Jay Bradshaw
- Joe Kellner MeAHP Representative; to also appoint
- Darren Davis 1 bureau of insurance representative Reach out to their office for recommendation
- Joe Kellner 1 Maine Health Data Organization Representative

10. Next Meeting Thursday March 10 11-12 AM

11. Adjourn

- a. Motion Andy TURCOTTE
Seconded John Martell