



Maine EMS Quality Improvement Committee

**Meeting Subject:** Quality Improvement Committee - 2/15/2023

**Meeting Date:** 2/15/2023 1:30 PM

**Location:** <https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/88689262038>

“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 clinicians. 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 clinicians, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”

1. Call to Order
  - a. Chip called the meeting to order at 1333
2. Reading of the mission statement
  - a. Chip read the mission statement
3. Attendance
  - a. Committee Members
    - i. Chip Getchell; Dwight Corning; Stephen Smith; Melinda Fairbrother-Dyer; Rob Sharkey; Dr. Zimmerman; Joanne Lebrun; Dr. Collamore; Oliver Mackenzie; Alan Henschke; Dr. Sholl
  - b. Guests
    - i. Zachary Tillett; Sally Taylor
  - c. Maine EMS Staff
    - i. Jason Oko
4. Public Comments
  - a. No public comments were offered
5. Modifications to the agenda
  - a. No modifications were offered
6. Previous Meeting Minutes
  - a. January 2023 meeting minutes
    - i. Motion to accept the minutes by chip, second by Dr. Zimmerman, update to reflect they are minutes as opposed to the agenda, Alan Abstained, Collamore Abstained, Passed by others present
7. Old Business:
  - a. Safety Newsletter
    - i. Motion by Joanne, second by Stephen to accept the newsletter, no discussion
    - ii. Unanimous of all present, with two abstentions, Sholl & Zimmerman
8. New Business:
  - a. Next Newsletter
    - i. Pediatric newsletter
      1. Define pediatric measures for the newsletter
      2. Dr. Collamore supports this, suggests involving Mark Minkler and Dr. Williams
      3. Alan - possibly use the EMS for children survey results



4. Joanne - Supports the topic - was able to attend Mark's presentation on BRUE, really interesting information and tips that came out of that program.
  5. Dr. Sholl - percentage of 911 who received weight based medications, using NEMSQA measures.
  6. Chip - Bronchiolitis - Beta Agonists - Pool Safety.
  7. Joanne - interface with midwives.
  8. Transporting children safely
  9. Field deliveries
  - ii. Chip - Education in general
    1. Smaller newsletter with a few topics, more often. Smaller bites with a smaller range of topics
    2. The journal of Maine EMS, he thinks this might be useful.
    3. Joanne - call out the termination of arrest protocol and highlight the organ bank notification piece.
  - iii. Topics for the pediatric newsletter
    1. NEMSQA Measures specific to pediatrics
    2. Specific to trauma
    3. Weight based medication dosing with a documented weight or length based tape measurement documented
    4. Newly born babies transported separately from Mom
    5. Pediatric no transport
    6. Pain management/assessment
    7. BRUE
    8. NEMSQA Measures for a QI letter
    9. Dr Collamore supports this idea, add medical direction to this also
    10. Guidebook, it is from 2012. Let's revisit this.
  - iv. EMD Specific Newsletter
9. Next Meeting
    - a. March 15, 2023
  10. Interviews
  11. Motion to adjourn by Dr. Zimmerman at 1426.