

20240111- Community-Paramedicine-Minutes

Thursday, January 11, 2024
09:30 AM



Meeting Subject: CP Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 1/11/2024 at 9:30 am

Location: Zoom

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“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) Dr. Lowry called the meeting to order at
- 2) Mission Statement
 - a) Dr. Lowry read the mission statement.
- 3) Attendance
- 4) Modifications to the agenda
 - a) None made
- 5) Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - i) December 14, 2023
 - (1) Dennis motioned to approve, seconded by Ellen. Minutes passed unanimously.
- 6) Office update – Soliana
 - a) Soliana updated the committee on the timeframe for a new director to start and the contract/grant specialist positions.
 - b) Updated the committee on the RFP process and changes to the board bylaws.
- 7) Old Business
 - a) Scopes of practice – update on process

- i) Dr. Lowry updated the committee that the MDPB would be reviewing the scopes of practice at their coming meeting.
- b) Committee makeup
 - i) Open positions
 - (1) Dennis motioned to move Dr. Lowry into the MDPB slot, motion seconded by Charlie mock. Motion passed unanimously.
- c) Pediatrics
 - i) Not reviewed at this meeting
- d) Community Health Module – Jason Oko
 - i) Jason Oko provided a walkthrough of the Community Health Module that CP providers will be putting PCR's into.
 - ii) The committee discussed if the identification of homelessness should be specific to the federal definition.
 - iii) The committee discussed how the community health module records may connect to other PCRs and existing NPI records for future billing.
 - iv) The committee discussed what happens if you have to activate 911 and how that looks within the PCR.
 - (1) They also discussed how to report if someone is transferred to another healthcare provider in the non-emergent setting.
- e) Concept rules
 - i) Committee discussed having representatives attend rules committee meetings once they start reviewing CP committee rules.
- 8) New Business
 - a) Board Directive – Conversation about Mobile Integrated Health language and the expansion of CP in our state. What concerns may pop up due to expansion?
 - i) The committee identified concerns with utilizing MIH language too soon.
 - (1) The committee strongly emphasized that while CP may be a part of MIH, MIH is more in-depth than CP, and therefore, the language should not be used interchangeably.
 - (2) The committee discussed the differences in the structure of MIH versus CP. MIH is a broader response that includes a strong framework that includes more healthcare systems integration.
 - (3) The committee is interested in exploring more of what a co-response model could look like within our state.
- 9) Action Items for Next Meeting

- a) Send thoughts on the potential usage of MIH language to Soliana by the 22nd.
 - b) Soliana will draft a memo for committee review.
- 10) Next Meeting
- a) February 8, 2024 at 9:30 am
 - a) Motion to adjourn at 11:01 am.

Attendance

Member	Position	Present Y/N
Vacant	Medical Direction and Practices Board Member	N/A
Bruce Lowry, MD	Community Paramedicine Program Medical Director	Y
Bridget Rauscher	Municipal EMS Community Paramedicine Program	N
Vacant	Non-Municipal Community Paramedicine Program	N/A
Dennis Russell	EMS Training Center	Y
Cory Morse	Hospital Based EMS Community Paramedicine Program	Y
Karen Pearson	College / University	Y
Charlie Mock	At-large Community Paramedicine Clinician	Y
Walter Reed	At-large Community Paramedicine Clinician	Y
Ellen McFarland	At-large	Y
Vacant	At-large	N/A
Nicole Burke	Home Health	Y
Shauna McElrath, DO	Hospice/ Palliative Care	Y
Jonnathan Busko, MD	Hospital	Y