



## 20240618-Maine-EMS-QI-Committee-Minutes

### Quality Improvement Committee 2024

Tue, Jun 18, 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

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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. Chip called the meeting to order with a quorum at 1343.
2. Reading of the mission statement
  - a. Chip read the mission statement.
3. Attendance
  - a. Committee Members
    - a. Matthew Sholl, MD; Kate Zimmerman, DO; Beth Collamore, MD; Ben Zetterman; Brian Langerman; Joanne Lebrun; Dwight Corning; Chip Getchell; Melinda Dyer; Stephen Smith at 1358; Robert Sharkey; Alan Henschke
  - b. Guests
    - a. Rob McGraw,
  - c. Maine EMS Staff
    - a. Jason Oko; Ashley Moody; Darren Davis
4. Public Comments
  - a. No comments were offered.
5. Modifications to the agenda
  - a. No modifications were made to the agenda.
6. Previous Meeting Minutes
  - a. February Meeting Minutes
    - a. Motion to accept the minutes by Joanne, Second by Dr. Collamore, no discussion unanimous of all those present.
7. Old Business:
  - a. 2025 Plan
    - a. Not much to discuss here regarding the 2025 plan.
8. New Business:
  - a. QA/QI Manual
    - a. Review an update.
    - b. The plan was shared with the group yesterday.



- i. Sharkey volunteered to do some work on the manual, Brian Langerman, and Dwight Corning.
  - ii. Shared a link to the education document the regional coordinators created.
  - iii. Joanne gave an update on some quality examples that people have been doing for quite a while.
  - iv. Invite some high performing quality services to the next QA QI Meeting to present what they are doing regarding quality improvement efforts.
  - v. Joanne suggested speaking to smaller resourced agencies.
    - 1. What does it mean to do 100% of runs?
  - vi. Standard of care document.
  - vii. Services being able to pool resources perhaps from a regional structure.
  - viii. Dr. Collamore as we try to build the roadmap to be sensitive to the services that do not have the resources to put into QI.
  - ix. National EMS performance guideline
  - x. Streamlining the process, making it less subjective vs the objective nature.
  - xi. Sort through the performance measures to identify what we would propose as a set of base quality measures for services to consider adopting.
  - xii. Dr. Zimmerman wants to reiterate the NEMSQA measures. And review the recommendations at the end of each protocol update section.
  - xiii. Jason will create a document to collect performance measures.
  - xiv. Brian Langerman - do we want to step back and define a goal for the manual before we try to re-work the document.
    - 1. Alan Agrees but we are not cohesive in our statements. Not all Qi is a measurement.
  - xv. Joanne - is the conversation to develop a plan for the document in the hands of the small group that volunteered to work on the document?
  - xvi. The group is fine with creating a vision for the document.
  - b. NEMSQA/Performance Measures
    - a. This was peppered into the conversation above.
9. Next Meeting
- a. July 17, 2024
10. Adjournment
- a. The meeting adjourned at 1423 by Ben.