

# 20250508- Community-Paramedicine-Minutes

Thursday, May 8, 2025

09:30 AM



Meeting Subject: CP Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 5/8/2025 at 9:30 am

Location: Zoom

<https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/86737150819?pwd=055VbywCMWd5zANoYXXdYCY77cjH2fZ.1>

“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) Dennis Russell called the meeting to order at 9:31 am
- 2) Mission Statement
  - a) Dennis Russell read the mission statement.
- 3) Attendance
- 4) Modifications to the agenda.
  - a) No modifications made
- 5) Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - a) April 10, 2025 – June Meeting
- 6) Office update – Soliana
  - a) RFA
    - i) Soliana discussed the ongoing legal happening related to the federal grant funding. Nothing has changed at this time.
  - b) Community College Compact

- i) Soliana discussed the Harold Alfond compact as an opportunity to support paying for CP education. There will be an information session on how to join in June.
  - ii) Dr. Busko discussed the office of apprenticeship and strategic partnerships as another supportive avenue.
- c) EMS Week
  - i) Soliana discussed EMS week events coming up.
- 7) Old Business
  - a) CP CEH Program
    - i) Soliana provided a brief update on the CEH program. People are identified through the rest of the year and attendance has been good so far.
  - b) Chapter 19 Changes
    - i) Soliana went through the Chapter 19 PowerPoint and discussed the roll out of changes including differences between conditional and full licenses and agency licensure requirements.
    - ii) Committee brought up interest in having more training available to agency leaders about the Maine Background Check Center process/
    - iii) Education – Training Centers, Classes
      - i. Committee discussed future CP education plans. United and NMCC plan to offer a variety of classes. UTC also plans to offer classes in the fall. The training centers are planning for a mix of hybrid and in-person classes.
  - c) 2025 Goals
    - i. Dr. Busko brought up the idea of beginning discussions on a treat in place and more integrated approach to care.
- 8) Board Directive
  - i) MIH/Service Area- Standing Item
- 9) New Business
- 10) Action Items for Next Meeting
- 11) Next Meeting
  - a) June 12, 2025 at 9:30
    - i) Are there any concerns around attendance for summer meetings?
      - i. Committee wants to continue meetings through June and July
  - b) Motion to adjourn at 10:38 am

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