

Agenda

Maine EMS Education Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 10 August, 2011
Champlain Conference Room
DPS Building- Augusta
0930-1200

I. **Call to Order** 0938

Members present: Butch Russell, John Brady, Kevin Gurney, Eric Wellman, Brian Chamberlin, Dan Batsie, Carol Pillsbury, Chris Pare, Daryl Boucher (Polycom), Dave McPherson (Phone)

MEMS Staff: Jay Bradshaw, Kerry Pomelow

Guests: Liz Delano, Stephanie Caldwell, Tracy Weed, Don Sheets, Jessica Blomerth, Dr. Chagrasulis, John Regime (SMCC Student)

II. **Introductions/Public Comments** None

III. **Additions to Agenda**

- TCAP splitting ALS level into EMT-I and Paramedic designations-Tabled
- O2 for Testing-Most oxygen companies are switching to tanks with built in regulators causing issues with state testing. Discussion addressed using bottled air and regulators as well as bringing this back to exam committee for further discussion
- PIFT- Tabled

IV. **Acceptance of Minutes:** Approved (Chamberlin, Wellman 2nd)

- V. **Staff Report** Maine EMS Board approved acceptance of AEMT NES curriculum as an option for classes starting now and mandatory after January 1st, 2012. Students may begin using NREMT testing and we will transition completely to NREMT testing by May1st 2012.

VI. **Unfinished Business**

- a. CEH Requirements Revision Subcommittee Appendix H- Kerry will send out the draft for comment and editing to be returned before the September Education Committee meeting and scheduled to be presented for approval by MEMS Board at their October meeting
- b. MDPB Protocol - in the final editing draft stage with the printers
 - i. Update- Educational outline is complete, has been sent to MDPB, Sally Taylor is working on the presentation as a college project. Rollout is planned to begin by October 1st, possibly sooner.
- c. IC Course- APEMS will be rolling out a combination I/C assistant instructor program this semester.
- d. TCAP approvals/annual reports – United Ambulance Service authorized as a Maine EMS training center on 08/01/2011
 - i. Revisions Subcommittee will meet following September education Committee
- e. Education Standards

- i. Board
 - ii. Implementation
 - iii. AEMT: add on modules- after lengthy discussion it was agreed CPAP and IO already exist, Dan will seek some content experts who are Intermediates and I/Cs who teach intermediate programs to identify appropriate objectives /content.
 - iv. Transitions- discussion surrounding the need to develop a transition program for providers and instructors. The instructor piece appears to be the responsibility of the Training Center. Suggestions were made to include a section in the annual report about how instructors have been updated on curriculum changes including an instructor outcome survey. Jay suggested we table transitions until after the NASEMSO conference where national transition programs and rollouts will be discussed.
 - v. CBOs- Changing to NES as well as upcoming protocol changes, will cause a much needed re-evaluation of the CBO's. A subcommittee was formed and will meet before the next Education Committee meeting. Until new CBOs can be developed a motion was made (Brian Chamberlin, 2nd John Brady) and modified (Daryl Boucher, 2nd Chris Pare) to temporarily replace endotracheal Intubation (ET) with advanced airway techniques. This request will be presented to the Maine EMS Board.
- f. Appendix G

VII. New Business

VIII. Adjournment 1210