

Aroostook Region V EMS QA/I Committee
111 High Street, Suite 1
Caribou, ME 04730
December 13, 2010
8:30 am to 10:30 am

COUNCIL MEETING – December 13, 2019

Meeting was A.R. Gould, Presque Isle, Maine. Meeting was called to order at 8:30 am.

Staff: Benjamin Zetterman, Regional Coordinator; Debbie Morgan, Fiscal Manager/Administrative Assistant

Attendees Present: Dr. Beth Collamore, Regional Medical Director; Ed Moreshead, NCMT; Walther Mosher, AR Gould; Darrell Spooner, AR Gould; Grant Spinney, PI FD; Lon Cyr, PI FD; Danny Gahagan, PI FD; Dylan Cyr, PI FD; Cody Fenderson, PI FD; Mira Saucier AR Gould; Scott Susi, CFAD

Zoom Attendance: Josh Belanger, ASI; Jon Cote, Aroostook Band of Micmacs

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW UP
Review and Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes were reviewed. Danny Gahagan made a motion to accept the minutes. Cody Fenderson 2nd the motion. 	Motion voted on and passes unanimously
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ben Zetterman gave a Maine EMS update. Sam Hurley is the new State Director and seems to be doing well. Ben attended the Maine EMS Board meeting via zoom due to the weather. There were legislature updates, which he will provide later. • Committee updates: Education – PIFT education and interfacility transports are current topics on Maine EMS agendas. • MESEd rollout: 1,287 providers have enrolled and 1,183 providers have completed training. 483 providers participated in live train- the- trainers and 1,217 providers attended local updates. • There will be a Community Paramedicine meeting on Monday, 12/16/2019, 9:30 am. Zoom will be available. • State QA/I meetings: the committee is working on quarterly newsletters encompassing the topics of AIRWAY, STROKE, and CARDIAC ARREST. Dr. Collamore, Chip Getchell, and Ben have been assigned the CARDIAC ARREST newsletter. A new design for the newsletters has been created which is more “reader friendly”. 	

- The Protocols went live in December. There were some app issues on specific Androids.
- Resuscitation Academy will be in May 2020 at Loon Mountain in New Hampshire. Last year, it filled up very fast. Dr. Collamore and Ben attended last year. It was very fast paced with a lot of information. The Academy focuses on HIGH PERFORMANCE CPR, which Ben and Dr. Collamore have been rolling out to services.
- Rules committee: There was a public comment at Northern Light A.R Gould in November. The comments are on the Maine EMS website. Discussion with Scott and Ben on the Rules Committee.
- Ops Team met via Zoom: Goals and concerns of committee members were discussed. Members feel the committee has lost focus and initiative over the last two years. The committee has agreed to move forward in a more constructive manner.
- Jason Oko, Maine EMS, will be leaving his licensing position and assuming the Data Coordinator position (Tim Nagle’s position). A position for a new licensing agent will be posted. A position for a second Data Coordinator, which is grant-funded position, is also posted.
- Strategic Planning will be the focus for Maine EMS Board.
- Dr. Collamore discussed critical care transports and PIFT. She mentioned that she wanted to highlight that the meeting today would be more informative as Walter Mosher can provide some insight into how Crown Ambulance (Northern Light A.R Gould) will be moving forward with Critical Care Transports.
- Dr. Collamore mentioned the CCT course that will be offered January to April at NMCC. The course will be funded by funded by Life Flight of Maine and NMCC. It will be delivered in divided portions each month for three to four days. There will be no cost to the students. Dr Collamore discussed the importance of hospitals and services working collaboratively. Dr. Collamore answered questions about the upcoming course and emphasized the importance of providing highly skilled transport for our patients. Dr. Collamore offered her services as a resource to services providing critical care transports.
- Ben shared an article from Portland Press Herald “Maine’s Emergency Medical Response System is teetering on the Brink of Collapse”. It was mentioned at Ops that EMS is not recognized as an essential service at the state or federal level. Police and fire are considered essential services and

	<p>are funded at the state and federal levels. . This is one of the biggest challenges that EMS faces.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional QA/I Education: Pediatric Emergencies PowerPoint and posttest are available on the Region V website for CEHs will be awarded for successful completion. Dr. Collamore is working on OB education as the next educational opportunity. 	
QA of Runs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the confidentiality of these cases, they are not included in the minutes. 	
Adjourn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mira made a motion to adjourn, DJ 2nd the motion. 	Motion voted on, passes unanimously

APPROVED BY _____ **Signed copy on file**
Dr. Beth Collamore, Regional Medical Director

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Debbie Morgan, Interim Regional Coordinator