

Maine EMS Education Committee Minutes
 June 11, 2008

Present: Dan Batsie – Chair, Julie Allen, Brian Chamberlin, Donnie Carroll, Carol Pillsbury, Eric Wellman, Robert Hawkes, Jan Brinkman

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ACTIONS TAKEN	FUTURE ACTION
1. Meeting called to order at 0933 by Dan Batsie	Introductions	n/a
2. Acceptance of Minutes	<p>Donnie mentioned that on page 2 of the 04/09/08 minutes that the project goal wording is not correct as we are not talking about CaHEP requirements at this time. Motion: to accept minutes (04/09/08) with change in the wording to take out mention of CaHEP. (Pillsbury, Wellman)- unanimous</p>	n/a
3. Unfinished Business	<p>Training Standards Manual: The next step to work on for the Training Standards Manual is the self-assessment/site visit document piece. Jay Bradshaw had suggested last month that a small sub-committee work on this piece and then bring it to the full committee for review.</p> <p>Dan reminded group that the MEMS Board has approved the concept of the TSM process and that they understand that course approvals will now go through the Board rather than the Regional offices.</p> <p>Clinical Behavioral Objectives:</p>	Dan will work with Jay, Daryl, Eric, and Jan on this piece.

	<p>Previously Daryl had mentioned that the CBO's need to be reviewed and updated (in general and in conjunction with the TSM).</p> <p>Protocol Update Training: Follow-up to see how the regions are doing with the update classes. All the regions have held Train-the-Trainer classes and are busy with update classes for both services and hospitals. All regions are hearing concerns from services/providers about questions regarding the roll-out time frame. Most questions regarding the protocols are able to be addressed at the Instructor or Regional level.</p> <p>Instructor/Coordinator Programs: Dan mentioned that there is concern about consistency among I/C programs. Though we use the New England Council of EMS curriculum, he recommends we look at upgrading the standards and levels. Concern is a gap in education of Instructors and whether or not they are really prepared to teach a licensure class. There is a difference in being able to teach a class and coordinating a class. Teaching is dealing with things like adult ed. principles and the material taught in the</p>	<p>Dan, Brian C., and Daryl will work on this and report back to the group.</p> <p>Questions of concern that need clarification for all providers are being addressed via the Protocol Errata & FAQ's list on the MEMS website.</p>
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	<p>class; whereas coordinating deals with the logistics of running a class. The thought is that many Instructors, certainly most new Instructors, are not able to effectively coordinate a class without further training and education.</p> <p>Do we need to revisit the list of qualifications for I/C's? Should I/C's have a minimum of a higher degree (i.e. bachelor's degree)?</p>	<p>Dan will contact Joanne and Liz for input and work with them and Carol on comparing the NE Council curriculum with other curriculums.</p>
<p>4. New Business</p>	<p>CPAP Training: Dan is concerned with the qualifications of who is instructing the CPAP training. Dan did the initial pilot program trainings and has a list of CPAP Instructors that he had approved (he will send the list out to Ed. Comm. members). However, the March 2008 minutes state that I/C's or a subject matter expert with strong EMS content knowledge approved by the Region may teach this program. The Committee agreed that there is a concern regarding the quality and consistency of this training. Dan suggests that this program needs to be reviewed for Instructor qualifications and training objectives.</p>	<p>Dan asked Donnie if this should go to OPS for further discussion. Donnie agreed this needs to be discussed with OPS.</p>

<p>5. Additions to Agenda</p>	<p>Capnography: Capnography class is not a required class yet. We need to come up with a list of objectives to meet the minimum standards and incorporate these objectives into the EMS curriculum.</p> <p>I/C CEH articles for the Journal of Maine EMS: Jan suggested that we approve Category 7 CEH credits for I/C's if they would write an article for possible use as a CEH Corner article for the Journal.</p> <p>Motion: to approve 2 hours of Cat. 7 credit for I/C's for article submission with the caveat that there is a cap of 1 article submitted annually, the article must be reviewed by MEMS for approval of credits, the understanding that not all articles may get published, and that I/C's may get up to 6 hours of CEH's in their 3-year license cycle. The I/C's would also be eligible for the category credits that the published article has been approved for. (Chamberlin, Carroll) – unanimous</p> <p>I/C credits for Committee attendance: Brian suggested that I/C's who attend the Education or Exam Committee meetings could be approved for Cat. 7 credits. It would give them the procedural side of the</p>	<p>Carol will work on drafting a list of minimum objectives for this training.</p> <p>Jan will contact the Regional Offices and Jacky Vaniotis to let them know of this and ask that they pass this information along to their I/C's (Jacky's webpage). Also, an article will be put in the Journal with this information.</p>
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	<p>education process and it might improve provider involvement on these committees. Motion: to approve 1 hour of Cat. 7 CEH's for attendance at an Education or Exam committee meeting (with a quorum) with a cap of 6 hours per 3-year license cycle. (Wellman, Pillsbury) – unanimous</p> <p>EMD education for EMS license classes: Drexell forwarded an e-mail from Steve Bunker (from the Emergency Services Communications Bureau) requesting we consider a short module be added to EMS licensure classes on EMS (what EMS consists of, how to work in coordination with an EMD-trained dispatcher, etc.). Eric and Brian both mentioned that they usually incorporate this in their classes already.</p>	<p>Same as above.</p> <p>Eric will work on a list of objectives for this for training module.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 1110 hrs.</p>
<p>6.. Next meeting</p>	<p>Wednesday, July 9, 2008 at 0930 hrs.</p>	