

**Illinois Emergency Medical Services for Children
ADVISORY BOARD
Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2019**

Present: Christine Bishof (ISMS), Anna Camia (EMSC), Young Chung (American Red Cross)*, John Collins (IEMTA), Petroux Dykes (DCFS),* Susan Fuchs, Chair (Natl. Assn EMS Physicians), Jeanne Grady (IL DSCC)*, Sheree Hammond (DCFS), Mike Hansen (IFCA)*, Angelica Hernandez (School Health Program, IDPH)*, Kelly Jones (EMSC/IDPH)⁺, Evelyn Lyons (EMSC/IDPH), Theresa Martinez (Pediatric Rehab representative), Kimberly Pate Godden (ISAA), Bradley Perry (EMS System Coordinator)*, Teresa Riech (ICAAP)*, Bonnie Salvetti (ANA-Illinois)*, Kathy Swafford (ICAAP), Kristin Tindall (IHA)*, Michael Wahl (IHA), J. Thomas Willis (IL Fire Fighters Assn). NON-BOARD MEMBER
ATTENDEES: Adam Sowells⁺, Emily McDowell⁺, Mike Epping (IDPH)⁺

Excused: Amy Hill (SafeKids), Lubna Madani (IAFP), George Paul (ICEP)

Absent: Darcy Egging (IENA), Joseph Hageman (ICAAP), Kevin Katzbeck (Family representative), Denise McCaffrey (Prevent Child Abuse-Illinois), Kristin Tindall (IHA)

*Via teleconference

⁺Via video-conference site

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Call to Order	Susan Fuchs called the meeting to order at 10:06am.	None
Introductions	Introductions were made.	None
Review of 12/6/2018 Meeting Minutes	The December 6, 2018 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved. Tom Willis motioned for approval; John Collins seconded the motion. All in attendance agreed to approve the minutes.	Minutes approved.
Announcements/ Updates	<p>Susan Fuchs reviewed the following announcements/updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ron W. Lee, MD – Excellence in Pediatric Care awards.</i> Nomination applications due March 29, 2019. Three nomination categories: <i>Lifetime Achievement, Clinical Excellence</i> and <i>Community Service</i> • HRSA/EMSC Targeted Issue grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Demonstrate the link between system readiness improvement in ED and EMS settings, and improved clinical care and health outcomes among pediatric patients ○ Due date April 11, 2019 • April is Child Abuse Prevention Month – www.preventchildabuseillinois.org/copy-of-cap-month • Hewes H, et al. <i>Ready for Children: Assessing Pediatric Care Coordination and Psychomotor Skills Eval in the Prehospital Setting.</i> Prehospital Emergency Care. doi 10.1080/10903127.2018.1542472 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Federal EMSC performance measures include: ensure a Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator (PECC) at EMS agencies; and a process for demonstrating appropriate use of pediatric equipment/supplies. • Other organizational reports/updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DCFS – No report. IHA – No report. 	FYI

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SafeKIDS – Reported on 3 activities: 1). They are starting a Safe Sleep program at Lurie’s. It includes training staff and community members to be Safe Sleep Ambassadors. The program is sponsored by Cribs for Kids (a nationally recognized safe sleep organization). 2). They are sponsoring activities in April to recognize Distracted Driving Awareness month. 3). Working on a drowning prevention plan with the Chicago Drowning Advisory Council. ● Educational Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Pediatric Neurocritical Care Symposium: From Field to Followup.</i> April 5, 2019. Children’s Hospital of St. Louis, St. Louis, MO ○ <i>2019 Northern IL Perinatal, Neonatal & Pediatric Conference.</i> April 8 & 9, 2019. Mercyhealth Medical Center, Rockford ○ <i>2019 Trends in Trauma Conference.</i> May 29&30, 2019. Barnes-Jewish Hospital, St. Louis ○ <i>2019 Public Health and Health Care Coalition Preparedness Summit.</i> June 25-27, 2019. Illinois State University, Normal. https://preparednesssummit.illinoisstate.edu/ ○ <i>10th Annual Pediatric Conference.</i> October 8, 2019. Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana ○ University of New Mexico, Department of Emergency Medicine, pediatric online education https://emed.unm.edu/pem/programs/ems-for-children-emsc/training-and-continuing-education.html ○ University of New Mexico, online pediatric training, Department of Emergency Medicine, https://emed.unm.edu/pem/programs/ems-for-children-emsc/training-and-continuing-education.html ○ <i>Illinois EMSC Online Modules</i> - https://www.publichealthlearning.com and https://www.train.org/illinois ○ Other educational opportunities at www.luriechildrens.org/emsc 	<p>Forward any new announcements to Evelyn Lyons for future meetings.</p>
<p>IDPH, Division of EMS & Highway Safety Report</p>	<p>Kelly Jones provided the Division of EMS & Highway Safety report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Data</i> – The Department has given EMS providers until June 1st to become compliant with data reporting. So far, 72.6% of providers report using NEMSIS version 3; 7.6% using version 2; and 19.7% are not reporting. If EMS agencies find that purchasing the software for electronic reporting is a hardship, please contact Dan Lee since free software is available. Once there is full reporting by EMS providers, then data reports will be generated to reflect various information, i.e. track/trend the types of prehospital runs. ● <i>EMS System</i> - EMS System letters of participation are due to Regional staff on April 3rd. Letters may be scanned and emailed or sent in PDF format. SMO’s are due April 15th when they will be downloaded into CEMP. EMS System Site Surveys are planned as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Region 1 - May 7 & 8, 2019 ○ Region 3 - May 28 & 29, 2019 ○ Region 2 - June 8 & 9, 2019 ● <i>Rules</i> - Rules for police dogs and Ambulance Assist Vehicles upgrade will be adopted soon. ● <i>EMS Week</i> - EMS Week is week of May 20th. To recognize EMS providers, there are requests to submit names of EMS folks for years of service certificates. Also submission of recommendations for awards: EMS Instructor, Public Education, Response/Professional and Response/Layperson. 	<p>FYI</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>EMS Licensing</i> - GL Suites was in Springfield in February. There are multiple work tickets open to fix issues within the system. If anyone is still having problems with the data base, please contact the IDPH EMS office. All numbers reported below are current as of 3/20/2019. Current active license count information, reciprocity and testing information are available. Contact Kelly if any questions. • <i>Trauma Registry</i> – The Trauma Center Fund deadline for submission of trauma records is May 31, 2019 (for submission of trauma records with ED Discharge Dates July 1, 2017- June 30, 2018). Deadline can be moved depending on need for more time for data entry. The contract with Digital Innovation, Inc (trauma registry vendor) is under IDPH Legal Review; hoping to start building on April 1, 2019. The grant was submitted to IDOT for FY 19 and 20 to fund Trauma Registry maintenance • <i>Trauma</i>: Conducted 5 surveys in Region 7. Region 5 will be done in May. Surveys may have to be put on hold through the month of July due to Trauma Registry build project • <i>Stroke Program</i> – There are a total of 158 stroke designated hospitals in our state. 	
Follow-up with Loyola on EMSC Fund Account	Susan Fuchs noted that she has not heard further from Dr. Cichon related to the EMSC fund account. She will contact him for follow-up on this.	Susan will follow up with Dr. Cichon.
Federal EMSC Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>2018 Revised Joint Policy Statement Guidelines for Care of Children in the Emergency Department</i> - These are joint guidelines by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP) and the Emergency Nurses Association (ENA), and endorsed by a number of other organizations and agencies. This version is updated from the 2009 guidelines. The Facility Recognition & QI Committee has begun reviewing the EDAP/SEDP equipment/supply/medication section to determine if/what changes should be made to the requirements. The new guidelines define supplies for hospitals with a ED volume >10,000 pediatric patients. We don't yet know how these guidelines may change the next PedsReady survey scheduled in 2019/2020. • <i>National EMSC Quality Improvement Collaborative</i> – Comer Children's Hospital is the Illinois training site and is working with several hospitals within our state. The hospitals are currently working to secure their data use agreements to support their participation in this quality collaborative. There are 4 areas of focus (bundles) and each hospital needs to choose a specific bundle to work on (see below). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recording pediatric patient weight in kilograms ○ Developing a notification process for abnormal vital signs ○ Integrating inter-facility transfer guidelines ○ Establishing disaster plans that include children 	Please share this information within your organizations.
Education	<p>Evelyn noted that 8 SNEC courses are scheduled for Summer 2019 in the following locations: Elgin, Hampshire, Joliet, LaGrange, Oak Brook, O'Fallon, Peoria, Waukegan, Winfield.</p> <p>A SNEC Instructor course is scheduled on Saturday, May 4th in LaGrange.</p> <p>The revised EMSC Pediatric Seizures educational module is now available on both IDPH Illinois TRAIN and the UIC publichealthlearning.com. Kelly reviewed the revised Pediatric DKA module, 4th Edition, and highlighted the revisions made. Theresa Riech made a motion to approve the module, and Kimberly Pate Godden seconded the motion. All were in agreement to approve the module.</p>	FYI

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Pediatric Preparedness Workgroup	<p>Anna Camia provided the workgroup report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pediatric Care Medical Specialist Team. An in-person training was conducted on February 26, 2019. There are now 6 new members (4 are still pending completion of requirements). Recruitment for additional members continues. • Functional and Access Needs (FAN)/At-Risk Populations Annex project – The final draft of the annex was reviewed. Pete Dykes noted the need to add language re that DCFS sees any children in institutional/congregate care facilities. John Collins motioned to approve the annex with the addition of DCFS language and Theresa Riech seconded the motion. All were in favor of approving the annex. The FAN resource document also underwent board review. Theresa Riech motioned to approve the document, and John Collins seconded. All were in favor of approving the resource document. • Printed copies of the revised Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Guidelines are now available. • DRAFT Hospital Evacuation Guidelines – this document needs to still undergo review by the Pediatric Preparedness Workgroup. • Status on <i>Caring for Children during Disasters</i> 3-part educational module series • <i>Caring for Children During Disasters: Pediatric Decontamination</i> educational module (now available on IDPH Illinois TRAIN and the UIC publichealthlearning.com) • DRAFT <i>Caring for Children During Disasters: Tracking, Identifying and Reunifying Unaccompanied Minors</i> module. Anna walked through this module, which is still undergoing review by the workgroup. • DRAFT <i>Caring for Children During Disasters: Incorporating Children in Disaster Exercises</i> module. This module is still pending additional editing. 	<p>FYI</p> <p>Anyone interested in further info regarding becoming a PCMS team member, please contact Anna Camia.</p>
EMSC Data Initiatives	<p>Data agreements are under development between Lurie Children’s Hospital and Loyola; and Lurie Children’s Hospital and IDPH/IDOT</p>	<p>FYI</p>
Facility Recognition & QI Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Region 2 – Their site visits have been scheduled in April and May 2019. • Region 1 – Mercyhealth Javon Bea Hospital, Riverside campus is a new hospital in Rockford (formerly Rockford Memorial Hospital) that will undergo PCCC/EDAP review. • Region 8 – Renewal applications due 4/26/2019; site visits tentatively planned Fall/Early Winter 2019. • 2020 renewal plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Regions 4 and 5 (renewal applications due in January with site visits in spring/summer) ○ Region 11 (renewal applications due in April with site visits in fall/early winter) • Interfacility Transfer project – The project has received IRB approval thru Lurie’s and is pending moving forward to evaluate the feedback form. Kimberly noted that a physician certification form was created and will be effective 4/1/2019. The feedback form could be given to the receiving hospital. • Current participation in facility recognition (111 hospitals) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PCCC/EDAP level = 10; EDAP level = 88; SEDP level = 13 ○ Note: In 2015, there were approximately 950,000 ED visits for 0-15 y/o; 78.7% of these visits took place in a PCCC, EDAP or SEDP. Of the 950,000, approximately 27,000 required admission with 95.3% of these admissions taking place in a PCCC, EDAP, or SEDP facility (Source: Illinois Health and Hospital Association Compdata) 	<p>FYI</p>

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	<p>Regional QI Committee reports/updates – Kelly Jones reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Region 1 continues to work on sepsis and re-assessment of PEWS, vital signs and cap refill. Their first meeting of the year is in two weeks. ▪ Region 2 just completed their second quarter of data collection and found mixed results. Their focus will aim to improve Bronchiolitis Treatment across the region by decreasing chest x-ray and albuterol use. Chest x-ray use remains around 50% and Albuterol use has a large range of use varying month to month. The next few quarters will focus on re-education in preparation for next respiratory season. ▪ Region 3 has new co-chairs, Ashley Thoele and Shelly Meyers. They are working to get up to speed, schedule their first meeting and determine a project. ▪ Region 4 will continue their previous year project focusing on the new SASETA laws and developing treatment/transfer plans. They are also working closely with the STARS coordinators to develop regular hands-on training for EMS providers in the region. ▪ Region 5 had been working on a behavioral health project and now plans to transition to a new project. They have a number of new Pediatric Quality Coordinators. ▪ Region 6 finished their bronchiolitis project roll out and is now tracking metrics. Working on Safe Haven awareness by providing staff/community education. Have a Pediatric Sepsis committee looking at peds sepsis and their pediatric transport team is new, so looking at any opportunities to improve on. ▪ Region 7 will continue to monitor pediatric pain management since there is still a need for improvement in the timely administration of meds/comfort measures to patients and reassessment after med/comfort measures given. Also, had a great turn out/wonderful conference in January - thanks to all that supported the conference. Will be planning another conference in January 2020 with more information to come. ▪ Region 8 is continuing with their behavioral health audit; focusing on lengths of stay, any acts of violence and use of staff resources from each hospital. ▪ Region 9 continues work on blunt abdominal trauma project. Looking into pediatric specialty transfers and will be moving to a pediatric sepsis project as well. ▪ Region 10 is continuing their "Back-to-the-Basics" Pediatric Preparedness Project. They have distributed their ID badge to all the hospitals. The badge contains guideline information. Beginning in April, will audit charts to compare data in regards to patient acuity, complete vital signs within 30 minutes and triage assessment. ▪ Region 11 is continuing work on their sepsis project. Mo Otting forwarded data that was shared with the committee. <p>Christine Bishof noted that sepsis work-ups appear to be increasing in cases that don't necessarily need such a work-up. Susan Fuchs agreed that there is a need to clarify to assure that further steps to initiate a full sepsis work-up are warranted. These efforts are aimed at compliance with Gabby's Law, however she suggested that if there are concerns – its important to review the guidelines and consider a time-out to evaluate.</p>	FYI
Other	No other updates noted	None

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Upcoming Meetings	<p>The next meeting is from 10:00am—12:00pm on Friday, June 28, 2019 at the Illinois Health & Hospital Assn (with videoconference capabilities at the IHA Springfield location and UnityPoint Health—Trinity).</p> <p>Due to room conflict issues, the September 27th and December 13th meeting dates may need to change.</p>	A meeting reminder will be sent to all board members.
Adjournment	With no further business, a motion for adjournment of the meeting was made by Tom Willis, and seconded by John Collins. Meeting adjourned at 12:02pam.	Meeting adjourned.

Meeting minutes submitted by Evelyn Lyons