



NASEMSO Data Managers Council

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 18, 2020 • 2:30 p.m. Eastern Time

Call to Order / Call Roll / Approve Agenda

Meeting called to order Jay Ostby.

Roll Call

DMC Members (23)

Adam Harrell (VA)
Amber Viitanen (CO)
Anne Vossbrink (AZ)
Britnei Outland (TN)
Charles Becvarik (NM)
Dave Rogers (MN)
Donna Etheridge (MS)
Doug Fuller (NE)
Drew Chandler (KY)
Felicia Alvarez (UT)
Jason Oko (ME)
Jay Ostby (WY)
John Cramer (ID)
Joshua Sturms (FL)
Kevin Putman (MI)
Martin Lansdale
Melissa Belgau (WA or OR)
Michelle Johnson (DE)
Peter Brodie (NY)
Peter Geissert (OR)
Randall Eimerman (IN)
Ridgely Ficks (MA)
Terry Smith (IA)
Tim Seplaki (NJ)
Tom McGinnis (CA)

Other NASEMSO

Joshua Legler
Rachael Alter
Sharon Steele (NE)

Other NEMSIS

Clay Mann
Julianne Ehlers
Laurel Baeder
Monet Iheanacho

Others/Partners:

Annaliesa
Eric Chaney (NHTSA)
Jesse Hodges (VA)
Karthik Murugiah (Yale)
Susan Pierce-Richards (CMS)

Secretary's Report

Drew (KY) presented the minutes from January 2020. A motion to approve by Ridgely (MA) was seconded by Amber (CO). Motion passed.



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Regional Reports:

- **Western Plains:** Jay Ostby (WY) – Seeking voluntary participation in a Ketamine reporting project and they're planning a meeting in the near future.

Old Business

- DMC Strategic Direction – The board has not provided any guidance since our last meeting.
- NEMSIS “101” Document – The TAC received great feedback on the last call, per Julianne, and is reworking the content for consideration.
- Extended Data Definitions – The TAC is still accepting feedback for the document shared on Basecamp. There was lengthy discussion about using terminology friendly to non-EMS personnel (e.g. Patient versus Incident), documentation (and lack thereof) by non-transporting agencies.
- ET3 Update – Eric Chaney shared that Yale's document did not make it through the review process in time for today's meeting.

New Business

- ASTHO Post-Overdose Project – Tim (NJ) and Rachel lead discussion on a new board-approved ad-hoc committee. ASTHO is sponsoring some funds and is hosting a kickoff meeting in Atlanta on March 10-11.
- NEMSQA FAIR EMS Measurement Project – Funded by a grant, Biospatial to add the measures. Joshua Sturms spoke about the attributes of the three year project.
- CSTE EMS Case Definition Advisory – Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists has extended an invitation to NASEMSO to participate in a new advisory group to develop a standard case definition for non-fatal opioid involved overdoses specifically using EMS data.

Partner Reports

NHTSA Office of EMS

- RFP Update – Eric stated they're in very early stages working on the RFP. A priority is development of a contract with the NEMSIS TAC to move the National Repository into a Federal cloud facility. More information is to come during the .org to .gov transition.
- FICEMS Data Integration Summit Update – Over 130 attended and the documents generated at the meeting are posted or in transit to <https://www.ems.gov/projects/data-integration.html>.

NEMSIS TAC

- Ten Minute Presentation Regarding NEMSIS Suggested Lists – Clay made a presentation and lead a discussion about improving data quality. A resolution may be useful coming out of the annual meeting.
- Availability of Annual V3 Implementation Meeting Invitation Letter – Monet guided everyone to the invitation letter on the NEMSIS website, <https://nemsis.org/2020-nemsis-annual-meeting/>.



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As a reminder, the dates for the 2020 Annual Meeting are August 23-25 in Park City, Utah. NHTSA is evaluating opportunities to provide travel assistance for data managers to attend.

- State Training: Writing Efficient Business Rules, March 3, 2020 at 10 AM (MST) – Julianne pointed out the access information for Joshua Legler’s best practice session.
- 2019 Data Submission Deadline – Monet thanked everyone who pushed through DEM and other submission issues to achieve the February 15 deadline. The warehouse will remain open a few more days for states that have extended collect timelines.
- Performance Measures Safety-01 and Safety-02 – Josh updated the group and demonstrated recent changes to the performance measures dashboard. These are using the NEMSQA definitions.
- Schedule for the v3.4.0 Schematron Update – Josh described the national schematron rewrite progress. Once the test phase is complete they will finalize rules by the end of March.
- NEMSIS Support Materials Page – Monet guided the members to a group of non-technical resources, such as Harmonizing NEMSIS and CARES in v3.5.0, on the NEMSIS website.
- Travel Related Custom Elements – Clay highlighted in the National Custom Element Library, searching for travel reveal those already incorporated by other states. There was interest in developing standard questions if not for the current hot topic communicable disease outbreak but one in the future.

Call For Items On Next Agenda

- None noted.

Adjournment & Next Meeting

- Ridgely (MA) made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 which was seconded by Doug (NE). Motion passed. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 2:30 PM Eastern.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Drew Chandler, DMC Secretary.