

National Association of State EMS Officials

Data Managers Council Monthly Meeting

Conference Call

June 23, 2015

Chair: Paul Sharpe, Virginia

Chair-Elect: Lindsey Narloch, North Dakota

Secretary: Chuck Happel, Wisconsin

Immediate Past Chair: Joe Moreland, Kansas

Call to order by Paul Sharpe on June 23, 2015 at 1335 hours (CST).**Attendees:**

Anne Vossbrink – AZ	Angie Biggs – IN	Chip Cooper – NH
Rogelio Martinez – AZ	Ridgley Ficks – MA	Paul Sharpe – VA
Steve McCoy – FL	Kevin Putnam – MI	Chuck Happel – WI
John Cramer – ID	Lindsey Narloch – ND	

Others:

Rachael Alter – NASEMSO

N Clay Mann – NEMSIS

Joshua Legler – NEMSIS

Secretary's Report

Spring Meeting minutes were approved by a motion from Kevin with a second by Chip - passed.

Paul suggested that the Workgroup meeting minutes need not be formally approved. But we will keep copies for reference.

Chair Report

Paul reviewed items covered during a recent Board meeting.

- One item discussed was a draft position paper called "Transitions of Care for the Children in the ED".
 - It emphasized as critical the communication between EMS and the ED about the weight used for determining drug dosages.
 - It also touched on the use of patient health information retained by a location such as a school or daycare center, etc. This info would be helpful for treating the patient when parents are not available to the patient is unable to provide it.

- Another item was a project outline related to EMS Model Clinical Guidelines.
 - It was titled NASEMSO National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines: Initiatives for Future Development and Growth.
- Lastly an EMS Certification Project was discussed. Staff is considering finding funding to implement a Specialty Certification Strategic Project – A National Strategy for EMS Specialty Certification. Items that may be considered are Critical Care and Tactical EMS.

Chair Elect Report

Lindsey thanked those that attended the Compass project.

New Business

Rogelio spoke about the upcoming Abstract Competition He is hoping to have a representative and participation from all the states.

Steve McCoy spoke about Benchmarking. Discussed what type of reports may be useful to share across states. The biggest item will be to determine what reports can be used to advertise skills or procedures to track and then to see if they use of these data points. Motion by Steve and second by Chuck to set up a group to determine the measures to report – Passed. Ridgely & Ann agreed to be part of the group.

New Business

Lindsey provided more detail for the Compass project. Paul encouraged everyone to help Lindsey by watching and responding to her questions.

V3 Implementation discussion suggested sharing any lists to keep from re-inventing the wheel. Chip noted the need to re-label items so that the providers will know to pick the correct term.

Chris Handley was not in attendance so there was no formal report from his workgroup.

NEMSIS TAC Time

Josh and Clay reviewed use a new tool: The NEMSIS State DataSet Builder. The purpose of the tool is to provide a standardized file that correctly configures any NEMSIS V3 complaint field product that is implemented in a state. The tool creates an XML file that is loaded onto the NEMSIS repository and is downloadable by any software company. The product makes it easy to add or remove EMS agencies, for example, by the State Data Manager simply updating the State DataSet Builder and sending a new file to the TAC....once downloaded by software companies....all EMS field products in the state can be updated with the new information.

Actions items based upon DMC comments:

1. Ability to manually add procedures, medications.
2. Develop a Custom Element Library that has the ability to “cut and paste” a custom element into a state’s Dataset Builder.
3. On the “layman’s” Summary Page, remove the word “required” from the statement “State Required Elements”.
4. Add comment area on “summary” page to define state variations from national terminology.
5. Should states be able to “inactivate” agencies?
6. Add process for automatic update of state resources, without sending materials to the TAC

Adjournment

There being no further business, the call concluded.

The next DMC (Workgroup) meeting will be Tuesday, July 21, 2015 2:30-4:30pm (Eastern).

Meeting Record respectfully submitted by Secretary Chuck Happel