

**Joint Committee on Rural Emergency Care  
Teleconference Meeting  
3 PM Eastern, Monday, August 12 , 2019**

**Attending** - Andy Gienapp, Kevin McGinnis, Matt Strycker, Nita Hamm, Nicole Clement, Chelsea White, Andrea Abbas, Christy Edwards, Lorah Ludwig, Tim Wilson, Teryl Eisinger, Lynette Dickson, Tim Held, Jon Krohmer, Joyce Hospodar, Carol Isaac, Doug Kupas, Scott Helle, Danita Koehler, Davis Patterson, Nicole Clement, Heidi Hedberg

Joyce filled in for Andy who was delayed by another meeting.

1. Review of June Meeting Notes (Attached)  
No changes/accepted.
2. Organization Reports
  - a. NASEMSO – Andy Gienapp/Kevin McGinnis  
NASEMSO had a meeting with CMS/CMMI ET3 Model staff regarding the new program and had an opportunity to express support for the pilot in general and some concerns about implementation. The Safe Transport of Children project developed a paper which was released and may be found on the NASEMSO website.
  - b. NOSORH – Joyce Hospodar/Teryl Eisinger  
The reverse site visit was discussed and Lynette said that it went very well and Christy and her colleagues were to be commended and said that Nicole and crew did their usual fine job with content.
  - c. NRHA and Washington Update – Max Isaacoff  
No report.
  - d. NRHRC (TASC) – Nicole Clement/Tracy Morton  
Nicole reported EMS learning session presentations from the reverse site visit are on our website at [ruralcenter.org](http://ruralcenter.org), search for RSP. Dr. Krohmer congratulated the organizers for good EMS sessions on NRHC products and social determinants of health in EMS.  
  
Nicole described a number of new products on their website for EMS including a self-assessment on transforming the ambulance service from volume to value (Baldrige model), an impact of community paramedicine bibliography, and EMS spotlight videos.
  - e. NAEMSP – Chelsea White  
NSEMSP rural committee is working with education committee to develop a rural EMS medical directors course. Did a listening session on this in KS last week.
3. 2020 Conference Update – M. Strycker

- April 22-23 in Columbus, Renaissance Downtown.
4. 2019-20 Workplan Development  
Waiting for Tactical Agenda release.
  5. ORHP Update – C. Edwards  
EMS reverse site visit went great thanks to Nicole. FLEX EMS supplement for 2019: notices of award are going out in next week or two. In Farm Bill, Rural EMS Equipment and Training Program was authorized. ORHP is working toward putting together information to be ready to write NOFO if funded. Asked for focus group members to help with this and got a huge response.
  6. Community Paramedicine - Mobile Integrated Health
    - a. ET3 Update  
Kevin described the ET3 details. The RFA was released and applications are due 9/19.  
Davis Patterson said presidential candidates Buttigieg and Warren have community paramedicine in their rural health plans.
  7. Calendar Updates

NASEMSO Fall Regional Conferences:

**Western Plains Regional Conference**

September 23 – 25, 2019

Aladdin Holiday Inn Downtown

Kansas City, MO

[Click here for meeting information](#)

**West Region Meeting**

October 1-3, 2019

Residence Inn Marriott – Portland Downtown RiverPlace

Portland, OR

[Click here for meeting information](#)

**East Region Meeting**

October 29, 2019

Hilton Burlington

Burlington, VT

Save the date!

This is the day before the VT EMS Conference (Oct 30 – Nov 3) and NASEMSO East Coast members will be provided a complimentary conference pass upon request..

Those flying should come in to Burlington (BVT). The venue is about a 10 minute drive and VT EMS can assist with airport transportation; Uber is also available.

Please check back as information about the block rate for hotel reservations will be posted soon.

**South Region Meeting**

October 29 – 30, 2019

Williamson County EMS Education Building  
Georgetown, TX 78626  
[Click her](#)

- There will be no EMS Learning session in NOSORH annual conference.
8. Other Business/Open Discussion and Share EMS-Rural Health Partnership News in Your State

On August 1 and 2, a Rural Health Conference in Flagstaff was heavily attended. Terry Mullins facilitated, and Vitalyst Foundation did a session on ET3, EMS agencies and community paramedicine. First time EMS addressed in this conference and went over very well. Presentations are on Vitalyst website.

Lynette received a communication from someone from North Dakota who is now a producer for NBC who is interested in rural EMS. She may be contacting members.