

**Joint Committee on Rural Emergency Care
Teleconference Meeting Notes
3 PM Eastern, Monday, March 11, 2019**

Attending – Joyce Hospodar, Andy Gienapp, Chelsea White, Heidi Hedberg, Alia Hayes, Jim DeTienne, Amanda Broussard Perry, Jeanne Marie Bakehouse, Matt McCullough, Gary Wingrove, Scott Helle, Dale Adkerson, Tim Perkins, Teryl Eisinger; Kevin McGinnis

Joyce Hospodar sat in for Andy Gienapp as Chair, though Andy was able to join the meeting later.

1. Review of February Meeting Notes (TBD)
No comments. Notes approved on a motion by Jim, and a second by Joyce.
2. Organization Reports
 - a. NASEMSO – Andy Gienapp/Kevin McGinnis
The upcoming Salt Lake City Annual meeting in May was described.
The Rural/Frontier Tactical Plan received over 70 comments from several parties.
 - b. NOSORH – Joyce Hospodar/Teryl Eisinger
Teryl reported that the NOSORH Board has been doing strategic planning, with three strategies resulting with content reflecting its interest in EMS primary care integration. This also included primary care integration, behavioral health and data driven decision-making.
 - c. NRHA and Washington Update – Diane Calmus
No report
 - d. NRHRC (TASC) – Nicole Clement/Tracy Morton
No report.
 - e. NAEMSP – Chelsea White
Nothing new to report.
3. 2019 Conference Update – M. Strycker
Joyce reported for Matt that there are 30 registered and one vendor. Please pass along invitations to known vendors. Speakers have all accepted.
Andy will go to South Carolina border state EMS officials and try to promote interest in the conference.
4. ORHP Update –
No report this month.

5. Community Paramedicine - Mobile Integrated Health

a. CMS/CMMI reimbursement changes – “ET3” Program

Questions addressed but remain as details are still being developed about the dispatch portion of this as well as the treat and no transport and alternative destination pieces. More discussion next month as details are revealed.

Discussion about possible role for JCREC to encourage participation of rural services in the pilots. Joyce said that the Arizona DOH and Vitalis Health Foundation are sponsoring a 4/5/19 meeting about this.

6. Calendar Updates

Andy will be in Tunisia for 3 weeks on deployment with Army.

7. Other Business/Open Discussion and Share EMS-Rural Health Partnership News in Your State

a. National Rural Health Day – EMS Ideas Discussion

Teryl would like to be highlighting innovation around EMS as one top priority.

b. Teryl said that NOSORH regional meetings are occurring now and she will send out a list.

c. Joyce asked members to share needs assessment tools and results.