



# NASEMSO Data Managers Council

## MEETING MINUTES

January 15, 2019

### Call to Order

Meeting was called to order @2:37p eastern

### Roll Call

#### *DMC Members*

Felicia Alvarez (UT)  
Charles Becvarik (NM)  
Laurel Boyd (OR)  
Chip Cooper (NH)  
Juan Esparza (FL)  
Ridgley Ficks (MA)  
Doug Fuller (NE)  
Chuck Happel (WI)  
Michelle Johnson (DE)  
Tom McGinnis (CA)  
Jay Ostby (WY)  
Britnei Outland (TN)  
Kevin Putman (MI)

#### *Other NASEMSO Members*

Sharon Steele (NE)

#### *Others/Partners:*

Rachael Alter (NASEMSO)  
Jeanne-Marie Bakehouse (CO Director)  
Cathy Curley (PA, EMS Program Analyst)  
Camry Hess (IN, Data Analyst)  
Jim Jansen (WA)  
N Clay Mann (NEMSIS TAC)  
Jeremiah Kinsman (NHTSA)  
Steve McCoy (FL Director)  
Rashmi Nagaraj (MA, Data Systems)  
Keith Wages (NASEMSO President, GA)

### Secretary's Report

Motion made by Charles B. with a second from Felicia A. to approve October meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Motion made by Chip C. with a second from Jay O. to approve December meeting minutes. Motion passed.

### NASEMSO Leadership Report

Keith Wages joined our meeting and spoke about a recent meeting they had been invited to. It was to be about NEMSIS data collection. It started with a concern about the frequency of updates but then took an unexpected turn. Participants voiced concern that the States are collecting data but not sharing the outcome. Their ability to get data out is poor and despite trying to create a common dataset across all states, there is too much inconsistency between the states.

Steve McCoy was also present and attempted to explain how the data is being used nationally. How other groups such as CARES & Biospatial were also using this data. But this still didn't seem to answer their concerns. Discussion followed with several providing similar instances they had locally. When asked if there are others that also feel this way, what could be done to address their concerns? Suggestions centered around communications and funding.

Minnesota & Wisconsin were identified as the states this group was concerned were not sharing consistent data. It was decided this was a topic that needed further consideration but we had other agenda items that also needed to be addressed. It was decided everyone would consider ways to address this issue and the topic will be added to our next webinar for further discussion.



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### Regional Reports

- **East – Chip Cooper (NH):**
  - No Report
- **Great Lakes – Dan Lee (IL):**
  - No Report
- **South – Gary Shirley (TN) Drew Chandler (KY-Alternate):**
  - No Report
- **Western Plains – Jay Ostby (WY):**
  - No Report just working on some projects to disseminated to users.
- **West – Anne Vossbrink (AZ):**
  - No Report

### Council Project & Committee Reports

- **NASEMSO HITS Committee – Tim Seplaki (NJ):**
  - No Report
- **NASEMSO Community Paramedicine/MIH Committee – Anne Vossbrink(AZ):**
  - No Report
- **NASEMSO EMS Data Opioid Workgroup – Tim Seplaki (NJ):**
  - No Report
- **NEMSMA Information & Technology Committee – Ridgely Ficks (MA):**
  - No Report

### Old Business

None.

### New Business

Tom M. asked to discuss funding for all-things data. He mentioned they have had discussions about where the funding comes from to afford the software, hardware or support improvements and changes. This has an impact not only from a state perspective but also locally and plays a major role in the prior conversation.

### Partner Reports

- **NEMSIS TAC – Dr. Clay Mann**
  - Clay suggested they could provide a separate meeting during the May NASEMSO meeting that could emphasize how the data has been used nationally. They will start by letting everyone know about the successes they have experienced providing reports generated from the data being submitted to NEMSIS.
  - A new Beta V3 Data Cube will be available soon. Currently in testing.
  - Noted the upcoming roll out of V3.5.0 and touched on the promotion and demotion of some of the data fields.
  - Spoke about staff changes in their office and their current open position.
- **NHTSA OEMS – Jeremy Kinsman**
  - Jeremy echoed Clay's info above. Emphasized their office remains available to discuss these items as needed.



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### **Other Business**

Laurel B. from Oregon advised of a permission error that took place in their ImageTrend product. She wanted all other users to be aware this could occur with their database also.

### **Next Meeting**

2/19/2019 – 2:30p eastern.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the call concluded at 4:10 pm Eastern.

*Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Chuck Happel, Secretary*