

**National Association of State EMS Officials
2012 Annual Meeting
Data Managers Council Meeting Minutes
Boise Centre on the Grove Idaho, Boise
September 24 – 25, 2012**

Chair: Stephanie Daugherty, Florida
Chair-Elect: Joe Moreland, Kansas
Secretary: Lindsey Narloch, North Dakota

Call to order Monday, September 24, 2012

Welcome and Introductions

Attendees:

Stuart Castle - New Mexico
Kevin Putman - Michigan
Lindsey Narloch - North Dakota
Joe Moreland - Kansas
Bob Dozier - West Virginia
Dan Lee - Illinois
Gary Shirley - Tennessee
Kimberly Torres - Oregon
William Thompson - Maryland
Kathy Schmitt - Washington
Bob Cooney - Pennsylvania
Jenna Potzko - Vermont
Stephen Ryan Tyler - Arkansas

Paul Sharpe - Virginia
Josh Legler - Utah
Paul Phillips - Kentucky
Jeremy Goldman - Delaware
Karen Jacobson - NEMSIS
Clay Mann - NEMSIS
Ashley Newmeyer - Nebraska Trauma Registrar
Mel House - Ohio State Director
Aarron Reinert - NEMSAC
Allen Parish – Univ. of Alabama - Traffic Safety
Randy Smith - Univ. of Alabama - Traffic Safety
Don Mekkes - Stryker
Gregg Mears – Medical Director for Zoll

State Updates

- **New Mexico** - ImageTrend state – Working on data quality
- **Michigan** - ImageTrend state - Worried about vendors moving to version 3 before the state moves
- **North Dakota** - Intermedix state - 9 months to Version 3 says vendor. Letters sent out to services for data quality of dispatch - enroute > 10 minutes and asked to correct the data. Trauma Registry - Clinical Data Management
- **Kansas** - ImageTrend state - State Bridge first then others. Records with amendments are not uploaded from Web services. Joe is working with ImageTrend to correct that. Problem with hospital numbering system (state/CMS).
- **West Virginia** - PIC Consortium and Digital Innovations for trauma. Planning to go to version 3 next year. Duplicate records with mobile applications.
- **Illinois** - Presentation tomorrow. Encouraged new data managers that while problems are great, we are all still smiling.
- **Tennessee** - In-house product. Penalties for non-compliance with 30 days data submission -1st Offense Letter Penalties - 2nd Offense stand before the board and possibility of a fine. 1 vendor is having trouble with validation rules. Hopefully start working very quickly on Version 3 in-house product.
- **Oregon** - ImageTrend state just submitted to NEMSIS

- **Maryland** - ImageTrend state but many are still using state system. Submitted first data to NEMSIS. Digital Innovations for trauma.
- **Washington** - ImageTrend state. Data completeness and quality issues.
- **Pennsylvania** - In-house product. Vendors have to be pre-approved. Statute in place since 1985. Problems with web services to NEMSIS. Ability for monetary fines.
- **Vermont** - ImageTrend state. Mandate in place starting January 2013. Originating and terminating in Vermont are required.
- **Arkansas** - Working with NEMSIS TAC to decrease not values. No penalties at this time.
- **Virginia** - 99.6% of anticipated records. 14 services not submitting. Validation rules in place. Monthly report - stoplight dashboard with quality report since April. Version 3 July 1 - December 31st 2013 time frame.
- **Utah** - Added QA software functions. Started in CARES. Integration with crash database as well as other external agencies. IBIS - Publically de-identified data for prehospital and trauma registry. ibis.health.utah.gov Quality looked at blood pressure missing by age. NEMSIS 3 software development started. Probably the end of 2013. Chronic Disease epi presentation was very well attended. Those sessions are recorded and should be available online.
- **Kentucky** - Working on statute to require data submissions.

Partner Updates

Susan McHenry, NHTSA, EMS Office - Unknown what budgets will look like. Congress did reauthorization bill for traffic for two years. Adjustment to grant programs including the 408 fund. The new category will be 405 which will be a broader grant program. A lot it still up in the air as the rules and funding don't match. Unknown if 408 or 405 will go out in June. Susan continues to boulder support from traffic safety community for EMS. Webinar with the CDC regarding NEMSIS data for surveillance. National Biosense data with DHS. Preparedness and Response with Health ASPR looking how we can use this data. NEMSAC subcommittee - Using NEMSIS to its fullest potential.

NASEMSO Updates

Dia Gainor, NASMESO - Linkage monograph is loaded on the thumb drive. Anticipated announcement of grant to do a 20 month project to create a model personnel licensure compact between states. Some similar work to NEMSIS for the personnel database. 2011 State Assessment has been wonderful to have when presenting to different stakeholder groups. Grant application for facilitating and monitoring the implementation of evidence based guideline. Work force planning and development work project is just beginning its second phase. An effort to define specific data fields that relate to personnel. emsdatadefinitions.org In the third phase of the work force planning project with NASEMSO, they will begin to create a tool to arm states with information on how to implement workforce planning locally. Mentoring dollars are not currently in the budget with NHTSA.

Other

Aarron Reinert -

Pay for performance study happening again. Looking for volunteer states.

1) Assess data 2) Show the community the importance

ePCR vs. Data Warehouse - Influence the vendor to 1) have a legal chart 2) have a quality tool. Define what your medical record is.

EMS Chiefs of Canada are looking to start a NEMSIS type organization and they are looking for examples of data use agreements so Aarron is looking to send that information.

Partner Updates

Aarron Reinert - NEMSAC - Advises FICEMS and NHTSA

Finance Committee - Gave a recommendation to FICEMS to CMS to change the pay scale.

Medical oversight and research - Works with NEMSIS

Safety - Culture of safety project

Education and Workforce - Developing Leaders

Systems Committee - EBG that shepherd how EMS systems are set up.

Wants to see an EMS Data Agenda for the Future created to direct where we are going.

NEMSAC was a discretionary advisory body before the reauthorization. Now it is a statutory advisory committee that also advises the secretaries of health and human services, preparedness, etc. ems.gov.

Nominations for the DMC Steering Committee Nominations

Chair Elect - Paul Sharpe

Secretary - Stephen Ryan Tyler

Regional Representatives

East - Bob Cooney

North Central - Kevin Putman

South - Gary Shirley

West - Stuart Castle

NEMSIS Version 3.2.6

N. Clay Mann - See presentation on NASEMSO Data Managers' website

<http://www.nasemso.org/Councils/DataManagers/>

Karen Jacobson - See presentation on NASEMSO Data Managers' website

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State Presentations

EMS Data Linkage and/or Sharing

Joe Moreland - See presentation on NASEMSO Data Managers' website

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Committee Elections

Unanimous Ballot cast by the secretary with no objections

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Tuesday September 25, 2012

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NEMSIS SharePoint

Overview of what would be on the new SharePoint page.

Encouraged to add lists i.e. facility and agency codes as well as the vendor for each state.

Structural and clinical rules --> The current plan is to have mainly structural business rules and handful of clinical rules. Discussion on when to involve clinical rules.

NEMSIS Reporting Tools

Kevin reported on the combination of the state and national cube which will allow states greater ability to compare their statistics to the national. Dashboards were discussed and will be available on the SharePoint site.

Data Quality

Dan Lee - See presentation on NASEMSO Data Managers' website

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Josh Legler - See presentation on NASEMSO Data Managers' website

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Goals and Objectives

NEMSIS 3

- List clinical/business rules in a logical format
- Finish review of suggested lists for Version 3
- Common EMS use terminology for the suggested lists
- Suggested list for Cause of Injury

Support a Data Collection Agenda for the Future

Other goals and objectives brought forward from the Data Managers Council's 2012 work plan:

- National Council of State EMS Data Managers – The Data Managers Council will facilitate the development of mentoring programs and promote mentoring and outreach opportunities to assist states in the development, standardization, and improvement of state EMS data systems; to share best practices; and address obstacles and challenges.
- NEMSIS Compliance – The Data Managers Council will foster channels of communication with software vendors to promote the improvement of state EMS data systems. The Data Managers Council plays a critical role in partnering with the NEMSIS TAC to develop and maintain a fully-integrated and functioning National EMS Information System in all states and territories.
- Ongoing funding for the development and maintenance of state EMS data systems – The Data Managers Council will provide direction to the types of federal grant funds available for state EMS data systems and provide assistance with the application process. In addition, the Data Managers Council will work with federal partners to promote the need for dedicated funding for development, standardization, and improvements in accordance with health care initiatives.
- Data Linkage – The Data Managers Council will provide model templates to assist state EMS offices in linking EMS data with trauma Registry data and traffic records data. In addition, the Data Managers Council will address resolutions to obstacles and challenges related to data linkage.
- EMS Data Research for Evidence Based Decision Making – The Data Managers Council will collaborate with other committees and councils to foster EMS data research. The Council will promote the need for EMS data research with NEMSIS data collection efforts for evidence based decision making, performance measures, trending, best practices and benchmarking.
- Collaboration with other Councils and Committees – The Data Managers Council will partner and collaborate with other committees and councils, providing expertise of the Data Managers Council, promoting EMS data collection and reporting needs, goals, etc..., and fostering joint resolution of obstacles and challenges.

Lindsey Narloch agreed to collect validity rules from the state data managers.

Motion to close the meeting - Narloch (Putman 2nd)

Meeting Adjourned September 25, 2012