



NASEMSO Safe Transport of Children (STC) Committee

MEETING RECORD

October 22, 2020
1:30 PM EDT

Attending – Eric Hicken (NJ), Katherine Schafer (NM), Sam Mishra (MI), Mike Kulig (Calspan), Patrick Wilson (Quantum), Katrina Altenhofen, Dale Adkerson (OK), Hannah Degn (NASEMSO), Mary Hedges (NASEMSO), Rachael Alter (NASEMSO), Christian Holt, Charles Vits (IMMI), Jim Green, Jacob Cartner (Ferno), David Harden (AZ), Jason Hamm (First Line Technology), Erica Kane (WI), Stephanie Busch (VT), Victoria Barnes (CT), Rachel Ford (OR), Cyndy Wright Johnson (MD), Karter Kistler (EVS), Stefanie Zucker (Pediatric Medical), Jon Gondek (Calspan), Dave Bryson (NHTSA), Amanda Perry (LA), Lorah Ludwig (HRSA), Liz Kendrick (MO) Kjelsey Polzin (MN), Amy Haughn (AAMS), John McDonald (GSA)

Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions – Katherine Schafer, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:36, noting that Eric would be late.

New Member Introduction, Christian Holt – Christian recently joined NASEMSO as an associate member so that he could be a part of this committee. Christian is a paramedic and more recently a clinical research coordinator who has done some observational research in the emergency department in the area of safe transport of children by EMS.

Review and Approve September 3rd Meeting Record – The September 3rd meeting record was approved.

National Child Passenger Safety Board Update – Laura Dunn was unable to participate in the meeting today. <https://www.cpsboard.org/board-membership/>

Pediatric Product Spreadsheet Update, October 2020 – Mary Hedges reported that the corrections and revisions requested at last month's meeting have been made to the document. In addition, Rachael Alter added a statement on the first page noting that the situations were from the NHTSA *Working Group Best-Practice Recommendations for the Safe Transportation of Children in Emergency Ground Ambulances* and included a link to the document. The one unresolved issue is whether the EVAC-U-SPLINT should be listed in the additional categories beyond Situation 4, "requiring immobilization." Mary noted that another similar vacuum splint product is listed in these other categories. David Harden requested clarification about the categories. Several members explained this document is a resource that is periodically reviewed and updated. Cyndy suggested we consult with medical directors further about the vacuum splint, but that we do that at a later date and move forward with posting this document. Mary said because this is a revision of an

existing resource that had already been approved by the NASEMSO Board, she did not think this required re-approval by the Board.

ACTION: Katherine Schafer moved/ Jason Hamm seconded that the Pediatric Product Spreadsheet, October 2020 be approved by the Committee and posted on the NASEMSO website. The motion passed.

STC Provider Training Template – Katherine Schafer thanked Liz Kendrick, Erica Kane and Duane Spencer for helping create the training template. The PDF version of the PowerPoint was briefly shown and she noted there are videos in the slide show version. She is looking for input and volunteers to assist in completing the training PowerPoint. Jason Hamm, Stefanie Zucker, Kjelsey Polzin, Jim Green and Patrick Wilson offered to help. Katherine said the goal is to complete it by the Annual Meeting in June.

American Academy of Pediatrics Discussion – Mary Hedges reported that Dr. Marilyn Bull and Dia Gainor were unable to participate today, but they have each spoken with leadership at the AAP about the STC testing project, who suggested drafting a letter to their president explaining the project and requesting their support. Mary is in the process of drafting the letter on behalf of NASEMSO leadership.

Safe Transport Project Update – Jim Green said he continues to meet with the West Virginia University Children’s Hospital Foundation whose leaders are willing to support us if we can find a funding source. Dave Harden asked if we have inquired with DHHS, HRSA about funding the project. Rachael Alter explained that HRSA is unable to fund this project for a variety of reasons. Mary added that at Jim’s suggestion, a new webpage dedicated exclusively to the testing project has been created. It is meant to be a source where one can easily find information about the project. The webpage has documents that can be downloaded and copied, as well as a Frequently Asked Questions section. **New website:** <https://nasemsso.org/projects/testing-child-restraint-devices-for-ambulances/>

Federal Partner Update / Member Comments

Dave Bryson said that NHTSA contracted with Dunlap and Associates to update the data and the infographic on ambulance crashes. This will pick up from where the last report ended (2011) and will cover ambulance crashes from 2012-2018. This will be completed in spring of 2021.

Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 2:29 PM EDT.

Next Meeting – January 28, 2021

The meeting record was respectfully submitted by NASEMSO Program Manager Mary Hedges.