

Monroe-Livingston REMAC Meeting

September 19, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Agenda Review – Bob Breese

- Additions to the agenda
 - No changes.

Minutes – Bob Breese

- Motion to approve – Bob Breese. Seconded by Mike Bove. All in favor, no opposed, no abstentions. Motion passes.

Correspondence/Announcements – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Lashay Harris – resigning from REMAC due to her obligations as a seated member of County Legislature.
- Communications from the DOH for a municipal CON for the Town of Webster.

State Actions – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Jean Fontus – violation of Part 800.16(a)(11)
- Michael Schwertzerfeger – violation of Part 800.16(e)
- Ziph Hendrington – violation of Part 800.16(a)(13)
 - None in the Monroe-Livingston Region

Medical Director’s Report – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Check & Inject NY Update
 - Approved as a demonstration project at SEMAC and SEMSCO and has been forwarded onto the Governor on a complication of the law. The project continues until such time that the Commissioner approves it and the State has everything in line to do this on a larger scale.
- Collaborative Protocol Update
 - Educational materials are currently being developed.
 - App – there are some delays due to other regions, more to come. There will be a fairly broad window to train and get everyone up to speed.
 - If we are able to go live by October 1st, it is the goal to have everyone trained and up to speed by January 1st.

Program Manager’s Report – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Uniform patient handoff rollout
 - 694 youtube views for EMS providers, this is low considering the amount of providers we have in the region. This is a culture change within the institutions and the providers. If your agencies have not reviewed these, I strongly encourage you to do so. While you are onboarding new providers, include this as part of their training.
- Office continues to receive renewals for BLSFR agencies as the State is in more of a regular cycle. We are happy to help you find any paperwork required.

- The Program Agency has submitted their course sponsorship renewal which is currently at the State, we don't expect any changes for that.
- Just Culture – September 22nd - 23rd. There are four seats remaining, contact our office if you are interested in attending.
 - The Program Agency is picking up the cost for the course and the Division of Prehospital Medicine is picking up the cost for lunch.

Patient Safety Subcommittee – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Reviewed three new referrals since last REMAC, none are required for action.
- Continuing to develop rubrics.
 - Pediatric Sick Kids (Cardiac Arrest)
 - Education to follow based on results.

ALS Subcommittee – Julie Jordan

- No action items.
- Meeting will be set up in the next few weeks regarding pharmaceutical changes.

Protocol & Policy Subcommittee – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Action Items
 - MLREMS Collaborative Policies were distributed for public comment. No feedback received. Move that the MLREMS policies as distributed to the REMAC be approved, will be effective as soon as the advisory is posted to the website. Seconded by Dr. Thompson. Motion passes.
 - Collaborative Protocols – agencies are aware that the pharmacy exchange program will end as of October 31st. They will continue to supply controlled substances. Motion that the MLREMS Formulary as distributed to the REMAC be approved, effective November 1st. Seconded by Mark Philippy. Motion passes.

Pharmacy Subcommittee –Mike Bove

- No action items.
- Motion to dissolve the Pharmacy Subcommittee. Seconded by Jeremy Cushman. Motion passes.

RSI Subcommittee –Jeremy Cushman, MD

- No action items.
- Dr. Farney, Dr. Galton and Division Staff are revisiting the program, a pilot will begin with a few agencies before full rollout.

SCT Subcommittee –Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Conference for November 2nd – number of different speakers

Council (MLREMS) –Reg Allen

- MLREMS revised by-laws for both Council and REMAC so that our operational years will coincide with our fiscal years. Everyone's expiration dates for December 2016 have been extended to March 2017. Copies will be sent out later this week.

State Council Meetings – Mark Philippy

- September meeting minutes have been distributed. Questions about the report, please direct to Mark Philippy.
- Issues of agencies circling the drain – agencies changing their levels of care.
 - Consolidation or forming of ambulance districts to address this.
 - We might not have a system to observe that, was there anything indicated at the State level that we can recognize this as a region?
 - Collaborating with the 911 systems to identify this. Our Program Agency collaborates with them to some extent, this is something that should be explored. This is not an easy feat through the 911 system. Some of these difficulties could be due to the CAD.
 - Livingston County does do that, feedback is given to the Captain’s Meeting, however, it’s very labor intensive.
 - If agencies could self report, that may be an option.
- Change Article 30?
 - Such a monstrous undertaking, not a lot of legislative interest to see that happen.
- Statewide concern of the health of the EMS system.
- Safety Committee – asked to re-evaluate Part 800-22 regarding ambulance construction standards. If you have ideas, please let Mark know what standards you are using.
- CAAS 2015 is still a draft.
- Need for agencies to have a method of communicating with the Bureau. If you could create a generic email address for your agency and send that information to Director Burns and copy Ross Zastrow so that there is a way to contact everyone.
- Changes in Fentanyl doses are coming down, haven’t been approved just yet.

Regional Trauma Advisory Committee – Bob Breese

- Last meeting was cancelled
- Working toward implementation of the MIST report.

Individual Hospital Reports

RGH – Eran Muto

- Vascular program is up and running again.

SMH/Strong West –Erik Rueckmann

- No Report.

Highland – Timothy Lum

- No Report.

Noyes – Amy Pollard

- Cancer center project is nearing completion done by the end of the year.
- Complete changeover of radiology services – performed by the University for interpretation.
- Dr. Farney and Dr. Chamberlin are beginning to help out with shifts.

Unity/St. Mary's – Bruce Thompson

- SIRS alerts need to go to the triage nurse and not the red phone.
- Please remember to put the patient name on the EKGs.

Old Business – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- For the last three years, the Program Agency has been getting Narcan through a State grant. They are currently not filling our orders. We are trying to identify channels to provide naloxone to our first response agencies.

New Business – Jeremy Cushman, MD

- Perinton Ambulance is requesting REMAC endorse their request to provide ALS. The REMAC requirements have been met. They are submitting this at Ben and Jeremy's recommendation now, however, they are planning on going live on January 1st. Granted, this is longer than the 90 day requirement, however considering the holidays, it is bringing forward now.
 - Move that REMAC endorse Perinton to provide ALS care within their CON area. Seconded by Dr. Thompson. Jeremy abstains. Motion passes.
- Webster EMS was granted a municipal CON.
 - Motion that REMAC approves Webster EMS for BLS albuterol. Motion seconded by Dr. Muto. Dr. Katsetos is their Medical Director. They have submitted their paperwork for PAD, Epi, Naloxone and BG which do not require REMAC approval. One abstention. Motion passes.

Motion to adjourn – Bob Breese, Seconded.

Next Meeting is Monday, November 21, 2016 at Monroe County 1190 Scottsville Rd, Rochester, NY at 1700

Link to view full meeting video:

<https://youtu.be/puLO3HKPx20>