

**Northwest Community EMS System  
Education Committee Meeting  
March 5, 2024**

Agenda item	Discussion
<b>Call to Order</b> <b>Previous Minutes</b> <b>Review of Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call to order at 09:05</li> <li>• The meeting occurred in person and streamed online via ZOOM.</li> <li>• The January 2, 2024, minutes were approved as written.</li> </ul>
<b>Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>
<b>Education Activities Reports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EMT Class (Chris)</b> –61 students started the Spring class. There have been several students dropping the course, so the current number of students is 47.</li> <li>• <b>Paramedic Class (Mike/Bill)</b>- 32 students remain in class. Students will be starting the field internship in May when approved by Connie. NREMT testing changes 1 July 2024 to the new exam. Several policies and standards were updated. CoA reaccreditation visit scheduled for October 24 &amp; 25, 2024</li> <li>• <b>CE Reports</b> – (Kourtney): Cardiac arrest QI sheet was sent out. Tina developed a pediatric reference sheet based on concerns identified during February CE. This sheet will be posted to the website. February cardiac arrest CE also highlighted the reminder that children less than 40 KG cannot receive norepinephrine without an IV pump. Kourtney is starting on April's CE. After that, she will begin working on site codes for next year's CE. There will continue to be an emphasis to include skills whenever possible in CE. The end of the year CE worksheet was sent out already by Connie.</li> <li>• <b>System Entry testing and Peer Educator credentialing (Kourtney):</b> steady flow of new medics into system. Connie is updating the policy assessment.</li> <li>• <b>ECRN class (Connie)</b>- hybrid model will continue. Next class is projected for March. Class will be recorded.</li> <li>• <b>TNS class (Connie)</b> – NWS will host TNS class in the Fall.</li> <li>• <b>Peer Educator Project Group (Kourtney)</b>- Training videos from the cardiac arrest committee are being completed. Group is also working on mini modules. Plan is to create a dedicated area on the website and upload these to the website. For those ongoing education offerings that already exists in NWS, agencies/individuals can use the same site code.</li> </ul>
<b>Shared Governance Committee Reports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Liaisons needed for Committees:</b> all committees now have education committee reps.</li> <li>• <b>Advisory Board (Ginny/John)</b>- meets next week. Policies &amp; Strategic plans will align with EMS 2050 agenda. 70% of the policy manual was updated in 2023.</li> <li>• <b>Cardiac Arrest Committee (Zach Lane)</b>– The QI feedback tool and benchmarking times for procedures done during a cardiac arrest are chief areas of focus.</li> <li>• <b>Chief's meeting</b> - no report</li> <li>• <b>PBPI (Nicole)</b> – Year end data was presented. It was noted that there were discrepancies between the year-end report and some of the PBPI screens. The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter intubation data went to the coordinators.</li> <li>• <b>CARS (Adam Seilig—Tina Hayes new rep)</b> – Selection of triple zero is triggering crews to complete the cardiac arrest tool. Jim is working on this. There have been several items that did not cross over well with the NEMSIS 3.5 update. CARS is also looking at the narcotics sign off area which did not cross over. Crews should notify their PBPI rep when the crews find items missing from the report.</li> <li>• <b>R &amp; D (Jeanine Liska)</b> – IT clamp is being looked at and is pending trauma surgeon review. The committee is also reviewing new video laryngoscope blades.</li> </ul>
<b>C-2 Policy review</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tabled until further notice. Governor's council is now reviewing the proposed changes to the state plan</li> </ul>
<b>System News</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region meeting is next week. Need a new rep from region 9 and a union rep.</li> <li>• 2025 SOP revision process begins again this fall.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ALS inspections will be done jointly with HEMSC and departments yearly.</li> <li>• BLS/non transport vehicles will continue with self-inspections.</li> </ul>
<b>State News</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More rule changes are coming. The new stroke level for thrombectomy capable was added to the state rules.</li> <li>• Trauma: looking at aligning with ACS trauma center levels. Illinois continues to have issues with the latest trauma registry program.</li> <li>• EMSC revisions are being completed. There will be new Peds SOPs coming.</li> <li>• CESSA tabled.</li> <li>• Ambulance inspections: another inspector needed. Temporarily Danielle Albinger will be conducting the ambulance inspections</li> </ul>
<b>National Updates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rewriting QI items, policies, and competencies</li> </ul>
<b>Task Force project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data is pending for 2023 intubations. Kourtney will be surveying hospitals again to determine number of King Vision blades left in stock. Dongles are available for those that requested to change over to the new a blade. Prior to departments picking up the dongles, the department must ensure that the December airway videos created by Dr Jordan and the a blade video were watched by all department members who intubate patients</li> </ul>
<b>From the floor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No issues</li> </ul>
<b>Next Meeting Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Next meeting May 7, 2024</li> <li>• Meeting adjourned at 1000</li> </ul>