



**MINUTES**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM**

**DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

**February 03, 2016 – 9:00 A.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Frank Simone, Chairman, NLVFD  
Jim Kindel, Boulder City Fire  
Derek Cox, LVFR  
Ryan Bezemer, Community Ambulance  
Syd Selitzky, Henderson Fire (Alt.)  
Mark Calabrese, CCFD (Alt.)

August Corrales, JTM  
Eric Dievendorf, AMR (Alt.)  
Steve Johnson, MedicWest Ambulance  
Brandie Green, CSN  
Carl Bottorf, Life Guard Int'l  
Dale Carrison, MD, CCFD

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Devon Eisma, Mercy Air

Steven Carter, AMR

**SNHD STAFF PRESENT**

Christian Young, MD, EMSTS Medical Director  
Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor

John Hammond, EMSTS Manager  
Judy Tabat, Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

Eric Anderson, MD, MW  
Monica Manig, HFD  
Chris Calcagni, JTM  
Jim McAllister, LVMS

Mike Barnum, MD, AMR  
Nancy Cassell, CSN  
Henry Kokoszka, HFD  
Sarah McCrea, LVFR

**CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA**

The Education Committee convened in Red Rock Conference Room at The Southern Nevada Health District on Wednesday, February 03, 2016. Chairman Frank Simone called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. The Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chairman Simone noted that a quorum was present.

**I. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public on items listed on the Agenda. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chairman Simone asked if anyone wished to address the Committee pertaining to items listed on the Agenda. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Simone stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the Education Committee that can be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Committee member request. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

Minutes Education Committee Meeting, November 04, 2015.

Chairman Simone asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 04, 2015 Education Committee meeting. Motion made by Member Corrales, seconded by Member Green and carried unanimously.

**III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION****A. Discussion of Community Paramedicine Curriculum**

Chairman Simone reported that back in December they held an Education Workshop to come up with an outline for a Community Paramedicine curriculum. They reviewed several programs and came up with a Community Paramedicine entry level program that consists of 75.5 total hours. The program is module based that is broken down to 51.5 didactic and 24 clinical hours in a public health setting. He added that the Workshop agreed on the modules to include:

Module 1	Role in the Health Care System	7 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to Community Paramedicine</li> <li>• Understanding the Healthcare System</li> <li>• Documentation</li> </ul>	
Module 2	Social Determinants	9 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Determinants of Health</li> <li>• Documentation</li> </ul>	
Module 3	Public Health and Primary Care	13 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health Promotion of Prevention</li> <li>• Patient Support Techniques</li> <li>• Documentation</li> </ul>	
Module 4	Developing Cultural Competence	2.5 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing Cultural Competence</li> <li>• Documentation</li> </ul>	
Module 5	Role within the Community	12.25 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Needs Assessment</li> <li>• Systems of Care</li> <li>• Pathways to Care</li> <li>• Negative Resources</li> <li>• Introduction to Program Outreach</li> <li>• Community Outreach</li> <li>• Principles of Individual Outreach</li> <li>• Interventional Techniques</li> <li>• System Navigation</li> <li>• Documentation</li> </ul>	
Module 6	Personal Safety and Wellness	8 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stress and Wellness</li> <li>• Personal Safety</li> </ul>	

Mr. Bottorf questioned the prerequisite for that curriculum. Mr. Simone stated that the recommendation from the Workshop was a Paramedic with 3 years experience.

Mr. Simone stipulated that this is a basic entry level curriculum that covers a multitude of topics and from the workshop standpoint was a good starting point. He added that he understands that this is brand new and new across the country and felt that in a year they should revisit to see if there are deficiencies or additions that are needed.

Mr. Bottorf questioned if this curriculum meets the educational requirement that one would need to be eligible for the BCCTPC certification exam in Community Paramedicine. Mr. Hammond stated that during the last Education Committee meeting he had indicated that he was not interested in using the BCCTPC certification exam. He felt that the BCCTPC certification exam is incredibly new and stated that it might take a couple of years to make sure it is an actual representative exam of the duties of a Community Paramedic. He added that the exam is very expensive so that would be a budget consideration for agencies. At this time the Health District

is not going to require it for local endorsement as a Community Paramedicine provider. It may change in the future based on the needs of the system, but not at this time.

Mr. Cox questioned if the Health District was going to test for Community Paramedicine endorsement. Mr. Hammond responded that the completion of the course would be adequate at this time. He added that as previously discussed the ongoing QA involvement in determining the education is acceptable and is appropriate for the level of care that is being provided.

Dr. Carrison informed the Committee that the UNLV School of Medicine curriculum is going to be totally different than any medical school curriculum in the US. Part of it will be community outreach so they may be very interested in partnering with regard to Community Paramedicine because the requirement is going to be that each medical student has to do 2 rotations with an EMS agency every semester for their entire 4 years of medical school.

Mr. Calabrese questioned if the Education Committee would be building the standardized education for this curriculum. Mr. Simone stated that North Central University has the individual components for each one of the modules; this is just the general outline for the required hours.

Mr. Corrales stated that he hasn't found any standardized hours for a Community Paramedicine program so that being said Community Paramedicine obviously is in its infancy. He felt that they have a framework here and suggested that they move forward with the curriculum and make those course corrections as needed until this program matures.

Chairman Simone asked for a motion to approve the Community Paramedicine Curriculum as written. Motion made by Member Corrales, seconded by Member Anderson and carried unanimously.

**B. Discussion of the Removal of "Spinal Immobilization-Supine Patient" from the Skills Proficiency Record**

Chairman Simone stated that this discussion wasn't specifically on the spinal immobilization skill but on the Skills Proficiency Record as a whole. He asked the Committee if they still feel that all 21 of those skills are adequate to properly evaluate the medic from a licensing and recertification standpoint.

Mr. Bottorf questioned if the Skills Proficiency Record parallel the skills required for National Registry. Mr. Hammond stated that every AEMT still has spinal immobilization as a National Registry skill.

Mr. Cox commented that there are some skills that you see on National Registry that are not on the SNHD Skill Proficiency Record sheet and suggested forming a workshop to review the Skills Proficiency Record.

Member Cox made a motion to form a workshop to discuss and evaluate the SNHD Skills Proficiency Record, seconded by Member Carrison and carried unanimously.

**IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY**

None

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussions of those comments, about matters relevant to the Committee's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically include on an agenda as an item upon which may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chairman Simone asked if anyone wished to address the Committee. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Simone called for a motion to adjourn; Motion made by Member Kindel, seconded by Member Corrales and carried unanimously to adjourn at 09:35 a.m.