

**Minutes
Training Subcommittee Meeting
December 10, 2008**

Training Subcommittee Members

Present

Malinda Whipple for Shanna Alger
Neil Coker
Jay Downs
Dave Fluckiger
Eric Hales
Dorrell Henderson
Carol Huff
Marlon Jones
Jack Meersman
John Miller
Pam Moore
Gennie Mulqueen
Mark Oraskovich, M.D.
James Jackson for Nathan Pennington
Debby Peterson
Dana Shaw
Jason Llewelyn for Marty Wilson

Excused

Kim Rowland M.D

Visitors

Ernie Williams
Matt Taylor
Tammy Barton
Joe White
Kevin Peterson

Bureau Personnel

Dennis Bang
Travis Scoresby
Leslie Johnson
Angie Andrus
Guy Dansie
Dan Camp
Michelle Hale
Jim Hansen
Peter Taillac M.D.
Tami McDonald

- Jack Meersman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for a motion to approve the Minutes from September 3, 2008 meeting.

John Miller motioned to approve the minutes and Dr. Mark Oraskovich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Leslie Johnson talked about the special EMS committee meeting that was held and that the EMS committee voted against taking out the 12 month wait before becoming a Intermediate, Intermediate Advanced, Paramedic, Instructor, Course Coordinator, or Training Officer. Leslie stated that the biggest concern the EMS Committee had is personnel not having field experience before becoming a Paramedic, Instructor, Course Coordinator, or Training officer. They did agree that the Intermediate and Intermediate Advanced would be okay with not having the field experience.

- Jack Meersman discussed the 12 month requirement for Paramedics. Leslie Johnson suggested that we ask the EMS committee for a waiver for the Intermediate so that the Bureau can implement that right away and keep the other rules back the way they are currently worded.

Neil Coker motioned to keep the rule as it was proposed and ask the EMS Committee for a waiver on the Intermediate, so it could be implemented immediately. Jennie Mulqueen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Jack Meersman proposed the following changes to the EMS Training and Certification Standards, R426-12:

-Jack Meersman proposed changing the wording for all levels regarding CPR certification to: “maintain and submit documentation of having completed a CPR provider course within the prior two years that is consistent with the most current version of the American Heart Association Guidelines for CPR and ECC (Emergency Cardiac Care)”

David Fluckiger motioned to accept the proposed rule change as written. Jason Llewelyn seconded the motion and the motions passed unanimously.

- Jack Meersman proposed, under Recertification requirements for all levels, after CPR certification statements, have the following sentence: “CPR must be current during certification and may not be used for CME hours.”

Tammy Barton was concerned with this rule change for people that volunteer. It’s hard to ask them for more time. Tammy feels like we need to give credit for any course that is taken. Matt Taylor was also concerned with this rule and wants to see CPR count towards CME even if it means raising the total number of hours for CME. Peter Taillac stated that CPR is turning into one of the most effective ways to save a life and he doesn’t want to see CPR go down, just because they aren’t able to count it toward CME. A suggestion was given to make CPR it’s own category, so that hours from a CPR course wouldn’t be able to be used in the “Airway Management, Respiration and Artificial Ventilation” category. Leslie Johnson suggests rewording it so that people won’t look at the rule and think CPR is not required. Dr. Mark Oraskovich stated that if we up the hours and give CPR it’s own category then the committee wouldn’t have to explain themselves, and there wouldn’t be any question about it.

The committee agreed to make a separate category for CPR and to add 8 hours to CME for EMR, EMT-B, EMT-I or EMT-IA, and Paramedic levels.

-Jack Meersman proposed changing CME as shown on “Utah Proposed Recertification CME Hours and Other Requirements for a Four Year Cycle.” EMR would be 50 hours; EMT-B – 90 hours; EMT-I or EMT-IA – 100 hours; and Paramedic – 120 hours. CME must be in accordance with the National EMS Education Standards.

Dorrell Henderson motioned to accept rule with adding a separate category to CME for CPR and adding 8 hours to each level, making EMR – 58 hours; EMT-B – 98 hours; EMT-I or EMT-IA – 108 hours; and Paramedic – 128 hours and to also add that CPR, ACLS, and PALS and/or PEPP must be

current during certification. Neil Coker seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

-Jack Meersman proposed deleting methodologies and stating that there must be approximately 35% practical hand-on training.

Marlon Jones motioned to accept the proposed rule change as written. Jason Llewelyn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

-Jack Meersman proposed deleting the actual psychomotor skills and state, "...must complete and document the psychomotor skills listed in the current National EMS Education Standards at least two times..."

Dorrell Henderson motioned to accept the rule with wording changed to read "...must complete and document the psychomotor skills listed in the current National EMS Education Standards on at least two separate occasions..." Marlon Jones seconded the motion and the motion passed.

-Jack Meersman proposed adding "CPR" to IA and Paramedic verifications for certification, reciprocity and recertification.

Dave Fluckiger motioned to accept proposed rule change as written. Jason Llewelyn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

-Jack Meersman proposed adding the skills that an off-line medical director must verify the individual's demonstrated proficiency for Paramedics, i.e. "Initiating and terminating intravenous infusion; completion of pediatric vascular assess skills station; insertion and removal of intraosseous needle; insertion and removal of endotracheal tube; administration of medications via intramuscular, cubcutaneous, and intravenous routes; and EKG rhythm recognition."

Neil Coker motioned to accept proposed rule change as written. Dorrell Henderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- Jack Meersman proposed adding EMR certification, which will start July 1, 2009 and adding "EMR" to Instructor, Training Officer, and Course Coordinator Certifications and Recertification.

-Travis Scoresby stated the EMR course will be roughly a 60 hours course and the training is intended to stabilize a patient until the ambulance arrives. Rules will be very similar to the EMT-Basic rules, except students can certify at 16 years old.

Dorrell Henderson motioned to accept both rules as written. Jason Llewelyn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

-Leslie Johnson discussed that an agency is also responsible to notify the Department of an employee's arrest, charge, or conviction. She proposed adding rule that states: "An official EMS agency representative verified by the Supervisor of the agency, may receive information pertaining to Department actions about and employee or a potential employee of he agency if a Criminal History Non-Disclosure Agreement is signed by the EMS agency representative." Leslie stated that as of January 1, 2009 the Bureau will start charging for 2 BCI's for the 4 year certification period. The Bureau is still working on putting together the Non-Disclosure Agreement, but will get that out to all agencies as soon as the agreement is complete. **(Note: The start date has been changed to July 1, 2009)**

Dorrell Henderson motioned to accept propose rule change as written. John Miller seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Dave Fluckinger and Neil Coker substained.

-Dennis Bang discussed how National Registry certification for Paramedic is going. He stated that two paramedic classes have tested with National Registry. Testing has gone over well and Dixie is the next class scheduled to test. He stated that if Paramedic Reciprocity took the National Registry test after January 1, 2007 he does not have to take the test again, but if they tested before January 1, 2007 they will need to take the National Registry assessment test. Reciprocities will be required to take the state practical test.

-The next meeting will be held on March 11, 2009 @ 10:00 a.m.

Marlon Jones motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dorrell Henderson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

-Meeting adjourned!