



CRITICAL CARE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL, FIRE AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

MEETING MINUTES

June 18, 2019

Committee Meeting Date and Location: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 Ohio Department of Public Safety, Conf. Rm.1107

Committee Members Present: Kent Appelhans, Ruda Jenkins, Linda Hines, Natasha Meinert, Robert Norton, Julie Rose, Diane Simon, Robert Martin and Amy Haughn

Committee Members Absent: Tristan Coomer, Samantha Gee, and Daniel Heuchert

DPS and EMS Staff Members Present: Dave Fiffick, Stephanie Ferguson and Attorney Michael Wise

Visitor: Tom Allenstein

Welcome and Introduction – Julie Rose brought the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Rose asked for a motion to approve the April 16, 2019 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as written.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Critical Care Sub-Committee Meeting minutes from April 16, 2019. Ms. Hines – First. Mr. Norton– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Committee Members:

Ms. Rose then advised that with 12 current members on the roster, it offers an opportunity for the 3 people who have applied to be on this subcommittee to be added. Mr. Fiffick advised that Ryan Sullivan, Jason Waltmire, and Joshua Tilton have all expressed an interest. Mr. Fiffick advised that Ryan Sullivan and Jason Waltmire have been vetted through the Division, but Joshua Tilton is currently serving on too many other committees. Ms. Rose asked if anyone was opposed to adding them to this committee. Ms. Rose plans to present these names to the Board at the meeting on June 24th for approval.

Air Medical Rules Update:

This went to CSI, it is now past the time for public comment, and that we are aware of, no public comment has been made. Still waiting on CSI to get back to us on their approval. Everything has to be filed by September. Once everything is submitted and approved, a notice will be sent out to all the air medical services.

Critical Care Paramedic Certification / Endorsement:

The committee members have agreed that they want to promote for an endorsement for a Critical Care Paramedic and Flight Paramedic. This has been an on-going, long time discussion within the Critical Care Sub-Committee. Committee chair, Julie Rose, requested to have DPS Attorney Michael Wise join the meeting for his legal input and crafting the language on the topic. Last meeting ended with the committee agreeing that one of the requirements would be that they demonstrated passing the FP-C® (Flight Paramedic Certification) or the CCP-C® (Certified Critical Care Paramedic) from the IBSC® (International Board of Specialty Certification). Also agreed that we would require them to have a current card for the re-endorsement at the time of the Ohio certification renewal, meaning they would have to follow the con-ed requirements for them to keep their certification renewed through the FP-C® and CCP-C®.

The state will have to have a rule change and start to track endorsements as well as certifications. Mr. Wise suggested outlining what training or testing that the committee would want to require in order to get the endorsement. The testing that is already taken will be used as the verification that someone has the qualifications to receive this endorsement. Mr. Wise advised that the committee would need to outline what tests should be taken and passed to show that the person has received the adequate training to take the test for the Critical Care Paramedic Certification / Endorsement. The committee does agree that this is not a mandatory endorsement. It is also acknowledged that this endorsement does not authorize any paramedic or nurse to exceed their scope of practice.

Mr. Wise will draft the new language and send it to the committee members before the next meeting on August 20, 2019. The committee can then vote on the language. Ms. Rose also brought up the possibility to look into a Neonatal Critical Care Paramedic endorsement.

The name of the endorsement would be "Critical Care Paramedic". The renewals would have to follow the re-certification of either the FP-C® (Flight Paramedic Certification) or the CCP-C® (Certified Critical Care Paramedic). The only difference between the two certifications is that the FP-C® has approximately 9 more questions that the CCP-C® that covers flight physiology.

Future discussions about the potential of a Neo-Pediatric endorsement will be held after the completion of the Critical Care Paramedic endorsement has been passed and approved.

Adjourn

ACTION: Motion to adjourn at 2:30 p.m. Ms. Haughn – First. Mr. Martin – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Next Committee Meeting: August 20, 2019 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm.
ODPS Room 1107