

EMS Leadership Call Minutes
5/2/2019

Attendance: Dan Batsie, Dan Wolfson, Ray Walker, Merrill Pine, Donna Jacob

Training – Dan B.

- State Training Coordinator position interviews in their second round and will conclude next week. Hoping for a decision later next week, but still lots of logistics left before a new employee is in place.

Licensing – Ray

- All personnel except EMRs expire June 30. Grace period for renewing a lapsed National Registry certification has passed (April 30). Contact the National Registry directly if issues.
- If National Registry has expired but VT license is good until June 30, the individual is still good to function. However, they must reinstate their National Registry before June 30.
- Only use the on-line version of license applications, course enrollment forms and other legal documents. Forms change frequently and the last round was updated with Abuse Registry essential questions and permissions. If forms are submitted incomplete, they will be returned to the applicant.
- Ambulance inspections begin in June, but Ray will be out doing a few next week. This year odd-numbered district services will be inspected.
- Application deadline for a part-time inspector position expires May 3. Paramedic-level licensure is preferred but all are welcome to apply.

EMSC – Merrill

- Thanked folks for all the award nominations—hope to announce winners next week
- EMSC Advisory Group is seeing new committee members and needs a Family Advocacy Network (fan) representative. An email will go out soon to the listserv.
- Merrill mentioned a couple of new initiatives, including “pediatric-ready agency.” She will send out an informative email soon.

Medical Director – Dan W.

- Protocol work continues. Excellent workgroup meeting yesterday as well as regional meetings and a recent DMA meeting.
- Next regional meeting is May 20 from 6-8 p.m. in Brandon
- HPCPR New Hampshire conference is full. However, HPCPR academies are still being promoted around the state. To date, Chris McCarthy has taught over 56 resuscitation academies. 2020 may be the year Vermont EMS rolls HPCPR into protocols. Contact Chris to set up your squad or region’s 3-4-hour training. All squad members must go through training before the squad can begin to use the pit crew model.
- An individual [Bob] asked if HPCPR academies count toward AHA CPR refreshers. Dan Batsie and the gentleman discussed the various attributes and Dan indicated the person should contact him. If a HPCPR academy included the correct AHA refresher components, it could likely count as a renewal.

General EMS Team Updates – Dan B.

- Special Fund
 - Critical: All districts have received drafts of the special funds contracts via email, along with a blank W-9 and a template for the certificate of insurance (COI) information needed. Please review the draft and let us know it's okay to proceed, along with returning the completed W-9 and COI. Things cannot move forward without those components.
- Protocol Update
 - The protocol update workgroup is hard at work. Both the DMAs, regional EMS meetings and the work group have been providing great input. However, all input is welcome!
- EMS Awards
 - Awards will be given out locally. Once recipients are announced, staff will turn back to localities to plan presentations. Award recipients will also be recognized during the EMS Conference in the fall
- EMS Conference
 - Conference dates are October 30 thru November 3 at the Hilton Burlington (the former Radisson Hotel).
 - Thoughts/suggestions/requests – send them in! Call for speakers will be out soon.

Meeting adjourned 11:15 a.m.