

THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
EMERGENCY SERVICES CENTER/EOC

AGENDA

April 17, 2013, **3:30 PM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
- IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. EMS Council - March 20, 2013
 - B. Operations Committee - April 4, 2013 (Informational Only) **MEETING CANCELLED**
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Operations Committee – Ops Chair or Representative
 - B. West Region EMS Council – WREMS Representative
 - C. Staff Report – Romines

VI. OLD BUSINESS

	ITEM	PRESENTER	EXPECTED OUTCOME
A.	TRPC Update	Paul Brewster	Update
B.			
C.			
D.			

OLD BUSINESS - ISSUES & ACTIONS PENDING

VII. NEW BUSINESS

	ITEM	PRESENTER	EXPECTED OUTCOME
A.	Budget Committee	McPhee	Appointment
B.			
C.			
D.			

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- PRESENT:** Margaret McPhee, Dr. Tom Fell, Karen Rogers, Frank Kirkbride, Russ Hendrickson, Ken Parsons, Kathleen Bostwick, John Carpenter, Dr. Larry Fontanilla, John Ricks, Karen Valenzuela, Greg Wright
- EXCUSED:** Dave Ribacchi
- GUESTS:** John Christiansen, Dale Putnam, Tony Kuzma, Mel Low, Steve Brooks, Terry Ware, Russ Kaleiwahea, Lenny Greenstein, Robin Duncan
- STAFF:** Steve Romines, Fay Flanery

Chair McPhee gave the floor to Chief Brooks (Lacey FD #3) to introduce their 12 newly hired firefighters which are funded by a Safer Grant they received. This funding allows Lacey FD #3 to reopen their Jubilee station which has been closed for nearly a year.

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** – Chairman McPhee called the regular meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Council (EMSC) to order at 3:33 PM. Roll was recorded by staff.
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC** (Kirkbride/Ricks) move to approve the agenda correcting New Business Item C presenter to Wright.
- III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – Chair McPhee introduced Tony Kuzma, temporary replacement representative for AMR (Greg Pulver). Romines introduced Chief Robin Duncan, FD#12 Tenino, Janet who recently passed away was Robin’s wife. Both Robin and Janet have served as EMS responders in the system for over 30 years. Janet was involved in the Operations Committee for 15 years, she was one of the first EMT’s trained to use manual defibs. Chair McPhee presented FD #12, Chief Robin Duncan a plaque honoring Janet Duncan, Assistant Fire Chief FD #12 who recently lost battle with cancer. Romines expanded on the tremendous amount of participation and dedication Janet gave to the Thurston County EMS system and Fire District #12.
- IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- A. EMS COUNCIL – February 20, 2013 – **MSC** (Ricks/Bostwick) to approve.
- B. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – March 7, 2013 (Informational Only)
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- A. OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – Wright reported policy review is underway and they will be brought to Council in small groups of like policies with the first group consisting of Ops approved rescinded policies that need EMS Council approval.
- B. WEST REGION EMS COUNCIL– The region is working on updating the regional plan and one component is the min/max verified trauma agency update. The conference is completed, it was successful, and now the region will examine feedback from the conference and look at the financial bottom line to see if they will hold a conference next year.
- C. STAFF REPORT– Romines highlighted on staff report included in the packet:
- Washington State EMS Rules and Responsibility Committee – Romines and Anne Benoist have been asked to participate as West Region representatives in a State-wide EMS advisory group.
 - Protocol update – We have signed a contract with an “App” vendor who will create our EMS protocols in both Iphone and Android format.
 - Paramedic exam May 14 & 15, 2013.
 - EMT course underway at District #9 with 28 enrolled.
 - Legislative report – per handout noting items that have changed including the EMS levy lift which did not make it through the committee and is currently dead.
 - Medic One received a certificate of appreciation from the Thurston County Fair for our participation.
 - Final 2012 Business Plan
 - Cardiac arrest survival rate dropped in 2012 to 45%, with one additional save. Romines continued that Medic One has adopted the AHA resuscitation procedure for cardiac arrest. Dr. Fontanilla expanded the primary

VI. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. Nominations Committee – McPhee reported both nominations committee members were absent. Chief Carpenter read nominations committee member Betsy Spaths' report to recommend Margaret McPhee and Tom Fell to run again, Chair McPhee requested any nominations from the floor, Romines added, nominations committee member Dave Ribacchi who could not attend due to an injury, McPhee again requested any nominations from the floor, **MSC** (Kirkbride/Parsons) move to close nominations and cast unanimous vote.
- B. TRPC Update – McPhee read Dave Ribacchi's report on the TRPC update summarized as follows: "TRPCs' Paul Brewster has brought the study to a point where the EMSC may begin to consider the subjects that have emerged as items of interest. As of now, TRPC has 5 or so subjects areas that the council may want to consider. Before bringing them to the council, Paul was scheduled to contact additional relevant resources to aid in forming these findings meeting the scope of this first phase. These additional contacts may take us to the end of the month. The council will then have the opportunity to refine the subjects, merge some or divide others and begin the process of prioritizing. Upon completion of ranking of subjects, I would expect the council to recommend to the County Commissioners next steps and alternatives, keeping in mind the value propositions and scope scaling we established as boundaries". Council discussion followed.
- C. 2012/2013 Budget/Program Review – Romines gave a presentation which highlighted the 2012 actual expenditures and the BOCC adopted 2013 budget and how each program falls within the budget. Romines handed out a spreadsheet showing a levy life projection which projects revenues against expenditures and when we will need to request a levy lid lift, he provided explanation of the spreadsheet.

VII. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. EMS Week May 19-25, 2013 – Romines reported the Thurston County 2013 EMS week is May 19-25 this year with a BOCC signed proclamation and letter that will be sent to all departments with a special event (more details to come).
- B. BLS Funding Allocation – Romines explained the BLS support funding allocation worksheet with council discussion following.
- C. Min/Max Verified Trauma Agency – Ops Chair Wright brought the Operations Committee recommendation which provide the flexibility for all agencies we currently have within the county and additional flexibility for some upcoming changes without putting us into a problem with the State. Council discussion followed. **MSC** (Kirkbride/Carpenter) move to approve Operations Committee recommendations, two members opposed (Ricks/Bostwick).

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None**IX. ADJOURNMENT – MSC Meeting adjourned at 5:12 PM.**

Legislative update attached

SETRFA Ambulance upgrade request to WREMS Council, to DOH/EMS, **denied, appeal hearing scheduled June 20-21, mediation scheduled Apr 12**

EMS System Operational Review, TRPC as Process Project Manager, proposed at July meeting, recommending contract to BOCC. Signed by BOCC on September 25, TRPC initiating work, last session 12/19, contacting Chiefs/Commiss.

BOCC approves renewal of 5 year ALS contracts as recommended by EMS Council. SPRINT 14 upgraded to Medic 14 (+1 FTE 2012) completed, phase in upgrade of M6 12 hour to 24 hour starting 2012 (+0.5FTE) implementing completing 2014 (+1.5 FTE 2013, +1FTE 2014), reorganization of administrative cost with net \$34,000 annual savings.

Roles/ Responsibilities workgroup for DOH/EMS, WREMS reps Anne Benoist & Steve Romines, **next mtg 5/16**

Protocol app (iphone/android) contract signed, to start by June 1, 2013.

Medic One 2013 budget and business plan, draft to Committee, committee reported to July EMSC, status quo and enhanced (\$9k ALS Airway training, \$5k static station IP, \$10k MCI/field tx site, \$7.5k SWAT/MPD, \$15k BLS direct financial, \$15k BLS supplies/equipment). MPD contract change, EMS support of SWAT to BOCC, approved. EMS Council approves recommendation for 2013 Business Plan and Budget at enhanced level. Budget as recommended by the EMS Council presentation has been given to the BOCC, adopted as submitted December 7.

Medic hiring and oral exams took place in late October, with 1 addition to the hiring list. October 2012: 21 applicants (19 to written, 4 new candidates to oral), 8 passed written, 2 oral retakes, 7 to oral, 1 passed oral, 3 already on list= 4 total on current list. **Next exam May 14&15, 2013, applications open 3/11.**

NurseLine Criteria Based Dispatch Program, started December 11, 8AM, calls routed to Evergreen Hospital "Healthline," contract completed, implemented: 15 in August 2003, 14 September, 15 October, 15 November, 16 December, 11 January 2004, 13 February, 11 March, 8 April, 11 May, 7 June, 11 July, 8 Aug, 12 Sept, 8 Oct, 8 Nov, 13 Dec, 11 Jan 2005, 13 Feb, 12 Mar, 10 Apr, 11 May, 10 June; 11 July; 6 Aug; 4 Sept; 9 Oct; 5 Nov; 12 Dec; 14 Jan 2006; 11 Feb; 4 Mar; 14 Apr; 4 May; 9 June; 9 July; 11 Aug; 8 Sep; 7 Oct; 15 Nov; 6 Dec; 10 Jan; 12 Feb; 13 Mar; 7 Apr; 20 May; 15 June; 18 July; 10 Aug; 13 Sept; 8 Oct; 15 Nov; 11 Dec; Jan '08 11, 15 Feb, 10 Mar, 12 Apr, 14 May, 11 June, 14 July, 15 Aug; 22 Sept; 11 Oct; 14 Nov; 7 Dec. 5 Jan '09, 7 Feb, 6 Mar, 17 Apr, 7 May; 10 Jun; 17 Jul; 7 Aug; 10 Sep; 11 Oct; 15 Nov; 14 Dec; 11 Jan 2010; 7 Feb; 14 Mar; 10 Apr; 10 May, 16 Jun, 21 Jul, 18 Aug, 23 Sep, 14 Oct, 10 Nov, 16 Dec; 11 Jan 2011, Feb 15, Mar 24, Apr 19, May 20, Jun 10, July 21, Aug 14, Sep 17, Oct 15, Nov 10, Dec 21; 12 Jan 23, Feb 16, Mar 17, Apr 18, May 19, Jun 14, Jul 9 Aug 25, Sep 16, Oct 13, Nov 14, Dec 16; **Jan 13, Feb 9: Total to date= 1,458/114 (avg 12.8/month) Rate \$16.10/call**

EMS Data 2012 (TCOMM source), 25,729 system call volume +1,583 calls, +6.5% (2011 data volume 24,146). ALS response time 11.7 minutes average countywide, 94% goals achieved, call volume 8,742, -299 calls, responses -3.3% (2010 response time 11.7 minutes, 94% of goals, 9,041 responses). BLS call volume 16,987, -6, -0% (2011 16,993) Countywide BLS average response time 7.02 minutes, all BLS. BLS TCOMM Data Warehouse report, draft.

Medic Unit in vehicle EMS data system. Field implementation beginning. Tiberon connectivity quote returned, \$33,000 plus \$4,000 annual maintenance cost, approved, interface completed. AVL Tiberon interface issue identified, AVL in test environment, mobile gateway/AVL interface created, ER&R completed, AVL operational test-halted CAD software issue, rewrite. EMS Council approves EMS agency by agency supervisor QI access to SafetyPad, interface stable, AVL trial, Restart Jan 9 7 AM to end May 12, reviewing. Initiating BLS data system pilot with Tenino (*Strategic area*)

Committee on Homeland Security of the State Emergency Management Council, next mtg ?.

TRAINING: average pass rate NR EMT exam = national 79%, WA state 85%, WR 90%, CR 93%, TC 93%
First Responder Course, 2012?

EMT Course 13-1 scheduled, Station 9-5, started 3/4, 28 enrolled

EMT Course 12-2 scheduled, Station 3-4, started 9/4, 30 enrolled, 24 Graduated, complete

NIMS online training available at <http://training.fema.gov/EMIweb/IS/is700.asp>

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - 03/01/2013

updated 4/10/2013

EMS & TRAUMA CARE STEERING COMMITTEE

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Introduction

This *Legislative Update* will be updated weekly and emailed to the members of the EMS and Trauma Care Steering Committee and its sub-committees every week during the 2013 Legislative Session. This update is being provided for information purposes only and is provided at the request of the EMS and Trauma Care Steering Committee. This update is not intended to convey support or opposition on any issue. If you have any questions, please contact Sandra Dlugosz at (360) 236-2831.

For additional information regarding the 2013 Legislative Session and Washington Legislative bills being introduced, please go to: www.leg.wa.gov.

Important 2013 Session Cut-off Dates

- 1/14 First Day of Session.
 - 2/22 Last day to read in committee reports in house of origin, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
 - 3/1 Last day to read in committee reports from House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees in house of origin.
 - 3/13 Last day to consider bills in house of origin (5 p.m.).
 - 4/3 Last day to read in committee reports from opposite house, except House fiscal committees and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
 - 4/9 Last day to read in opposite house committee reports from House fiscal committee and Senate Ways & Means and Transportation committees.
 - 4/17 Last day to consider opposite house bills (5 p.m.) (except initiatives and alternatives to initiatives, matters necessary to implement budgets, amendments, differences, and business related to the interim or closing the session).
 - 4/28 Sine Die -- Last day allowed for regular session under state constitution.
- The Governor has five (5) days, excluding Sundays, to take action on any bill passed by the Legislature, provided adjournment does not occur within those five (5) days.

Bill # Sponsor	Bill Title	Brief Description	Status
BILLS STILL MOVING			
HB 1404 Rep Liias, et al	Preventing alcohol poisoning deaths	Amends RCW 66.44.270 by exempting anyone under twenty-one years of age from being charged or prosecuted as a result of seeking medical assistance for alcohol poisoning. The exemption is also included for anyone under twenty-one seeking medical help for another under age person experiencing alcohol	Jan 25-1st reading, referred to Public Safety Feb 12- Scheduled for public hearing in House Cmte on

	and stab wounds	<p>reporting only for those patients who are unconscious. All other language in this section of the law remains the same.</p> <p>Engrossed: Adds that the hospital must alert a case manager, social worker, domestic violence advocate or other patient advocate to coordinate with law enforcement officer who responds to the report required by this section. Then the law enforcement officer and case manager, social worker, domestic violence advocate, or other patient advocate must determine whether there should be a delay in contact with the patient, suspect or other witness to assist the patient in ensuring his or her safety or the safety of the patients family.</p> <p style="text-align: center; color: red;">House Mar 28 Exec Session Health Wellness 1:30pm Majority do pass Minority do not pass Apr 1 passed to Rules for 2nd reading</p>	<p>hearing in the Senate Cmte on Health Care Feb 19-Passed to Rules Cmte for 2nd reading Feb 25-Placed on 2nd reading by Rules Cmte Mar 4-Floor amendment adopted. Placed on 3rd reading-Passed Mar 6-1st reading, referred to Health Care & Wellness Mar 21-Scheduled for public hearing in House Cmte on Health Care & Wellness at 9:00 AM</p>
<p>SSB 5437 Sen Padden, et al <i>Companion 1758</i></p>	Boating Safety	<p>Amends RCW 79A.040 by increasing penalties for boating under the influence (BUI). It requires operators suspected of boating under the influence to submit to a breathalyzer or blood test or be subject to a Class 1 civil infraction punishable by a \$500 fine. It also elevates the penalty for a BUI conviction to a gross misdemeanor, which is punishable by imprisonment up to 364 days, a fine of up to \$5,000, or both.</p> <p>It requires boat rental businesses to supply all of the necessary safety equipment, at no extra cost.</p> <p>It allows officers to cite or arrest a negligent boater when, through the course of an investigation, the officer determines the operator's boating safety violation caused or contributed to the collision (eliminating the requirement for the officer to witness the collision).</p> <p>Substitute: The substitute changed language in two sections of RCW 10.31.100. The first clarifies that that an officer can <i>arrest</i> a boat operator for a <i>criminal violation</i> of any part of chapter 79A.60 RCW in connection with an accident. The second change clarifies that an officer can <i>issue an infraction</i> to a boat operator for a violation of chapter 79A.40 RCW in connection with an accident. The difference from the original version is that in the original the language stated an officer could arrest the operator for any violation of a boating law or rule.</p>	<p>Jan 30-1st reading, referred to Law & Justice Feb 8-Public hearing in Senate Cmte on Law & Justice Feb 21-Executive action taken in Senate Cmte on Law & Justice at 5:30 PM Feb 22-1st substitute passed, Passed to Rules Cmte for 2nd reading Feb 27-Made eligible to be placed on 2nd reading Mar 5-Placed on 2nd reading Mar 7-1st substitute bill sub. Placed on 3rd reading-Passed Mar 9-1st reading,</p>

		<p>House Mar 21 Public hearing 10AM Apr 3 Exec Action Majority do pass with amendments Apr 4 Appropriations public hearing 1:30 APPG Majority do pass 4/9 to Rules for 2nd reading</p>	<p>referred to Public Safety Mar 21- Scheduled for public hearing in House Cmte on Public Safety at 10:00 AM</p>
<p>SHB 1000 Rep Moeller</p>	<p>Physician Order for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST)</p>	<p>Amends RCW 43.70.480 to grant immunity to certain health care providers and health care facilities who comply with the patient care orders included on the Physician Order for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST) form. Immunity is granted to physicians, osteopathic physicians, ARNPs, PAs, osteopathic PAs, as well as credentialed health care providers acting within the scope of their license and under the direction of a physician, PA or ARNP.</p> <p>Substitute bill: The substitute bill's language does not directly impact the prehospital EMS providers. The language extends immunity to other professions and health care facilities. Additional requirements must be met in order for providers and facilities to be immune from liability for following the instructions on a POLST form. Immunity will only be granted if the form has been signed by the patient, the statutory standard of care is complied with in providing treatment, and negligence as described in statute is absent.</p>	<p>Jan 14-1st reading, referred to Judiciary; Jan 16-Public hearing in House Cmte on Judiciary at 8:00 Jan 29-Executive action taken in House Cmte on Judiciary -1st substitute passed Feb 1- Passed to Rules Cmte for 2nd reading Mar 1-Placed on 2nd reading Mar 13-1st reading, referred to Law & Justice</p>
<p>SSB5562 Sen Becker, et al</p>	<p>Concerning providers and facilities' participation in the provision of medical care or in the withholding or withdrawal of life-sustaining treatment in accordance with a form developed by the department of health.</p>	<p>This bill would provide immunity from legal liability to all health care providers and facilities when following a patient's medical order refusing life sustaining treatment. These medical orders are currently captured on a Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) form previously developed by DOH and WSMA. Providers must act in good faith, within the scope of their credential, and not be found negligent under chapter 7.70 RCW for the immunity to apply.</p> <p>Substitute: Corrects the technical errors in Section 1 subsection (2) by clarifying that providers listed in subsection (3)(a)(i)through (v). This clarifies which providers are covered by the immunity provision by inserting a correct cross reference. The amendment also includes long term care workers exempt from registration as home care aides in the list of providers entitled to immunity under subsection (2).</p> <p>Adds Home Care Agency and Community Residential Services Business under 71A.10 to the types of facilities entitled to immunity under the bill.</p> <p>Amendment 1: Requires the patient and physician signatures to be notarized.</p>	<p>Feb 4-1st reading, referred to Health Care Feb19-Public hearing in Sen. Cmte on Health Care at 10:00 AM Feb 21-Executive action taken Feb 22-1st substitute passed to Rules Cmte for 2nd reading Feb 27-Made eligible for 2nd reading Mar 5-Placed on 2nd reading by Rules Cmte Mar 26 Senate X file</p>

		Amendment 2: Sets an expiration date of the POLST of one year. It cannot be renewed - requires the patient to obtain a new POLST each year.	
ESB 5104 Sen Mullet, et al	Placing epinephrine in schools	<p>Adds new section to RCW 28A.210 to provide an overview of allergies, anaphylaxis and need during a life-threatening emergency (anaphylaxis) and importance of having an epinephrine autoinjector (EpiPen®) readily available the school setting. This is a bill that authorizes school districts and nonpublic schools to obtain and store epinephrine auto-injectors to treat students who develop allergic reactions based on a physician’s standing orders. The bill identifies those individuals who may administer epinephrine to a student when the student suffers an allergic reaction.</p> <p>Floor amendment: Amended to insert that school employees (except those licensed under RCW 18.79) may file with the school district a written letter of refusal to use epinephrine autoinjectors. This letter may not serve as grounds for discharge, nonrenewal of an employment contract, or other action adversely affecting the employee's contract status.</p> <p>House Mar 26 Exec Sess Ed Comm 1:30pm Majority do pass, Minority do not pass Mar 28 Referred to Appropriations on Ed Apr 4 Public hearing 1:30 Apr 9 Passed to Rules for 2nd reading</p>	<p>Jan 18-1st reading, referred to Early Learning & K-12 Education Feb 1-Public Hearing in the Sen Cmte on Early Learning & K-12 Ed at 8:00 AM Feb 5-Passed to Rules Cmte for 2nd Reading Feb 8-Floor amendment adopted. Placed on 3rd reading. 3rd reading passed Feb 11-1st reading in House, referred to Education Mar 14- Scheduled for public hearing in House Cmte on Ed at 8:00 AM</p>
SHB 1556 Rep Van De Wege, et al <i>Companion SB 5428 (dead)</i>	Initiatives in high schools to save lives in the event of cardiac arrest	<p>Amends RCW 28.A.300 and 28A.230 by requiring high schools to conduct training in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). CPR and AED training will be required of students beginning with the graduating class of 2017. The instruction is a requirement for passing at least one health and fitness class necessary for graduation. The DOH is required to consult with OSPI in providing guidelines and advice for seeking grants for the purchase of AED’s.</p> <p>Substitute: Changes the time frame when students will begin the CPR training. Original bill language stated the time frame as “beginning with the graduating class of 2017”. The substitute bill states “beginning with the 2013-14 school year, instruction in CPR must...”.</p>	<p>Jan 30-1st reading, referred to Education Feb 15-Public hearing in House Cmte on Ed at 1:30 PM Feb 21-Executive action, 1st substitute bill- Passed Feb 22-Referred to Appropriations Sub Cmte on Ed Feb 25-Public hearing & executive action taken-Passed Mar 1-Passed to Rules for 2nd reading Mar 5-Placed on</p>

		<p>Senate</p> <p>Mar 12 First Reading Early learning K12</p> <p>Mar 25 Public hearing K-12 Com 1:30PM</p> <p>Apr 3 Exec Action taken</p> <p>EDU Majority do pass with amendments</p> <p>Minority do not pass</p> <p>Passed to Rules for second reading</p>	<p>2nd reading</p> <p>Mar 8-1st</p> <p>substitute bill sub.</p> <p>Placed on 3rd</p> <p>reading-Passed</p> <p>Mar 12-1st</p> <p>reading, passed,</p> <p>referred to Early</p> <p>Learning & K-12</p> <p>Ed</p>
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