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LOUISIANA BUREAU OF EMS TASKFORCE
AGENDA

Meeting Date:
September 12, 2023

Bureau of EMS
7273 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806
1:00pm

Item	Presenter	Explanation	Action Taken
I. Welcome Pledge of Allegiance Attendance	Bill Salmeron Bill Salmeron Bill Salmeron	Members - Justin Antarikananda - Present Louisiana Approved Education Program - Blance Bankston - Present Fireman's Association - Shane Bellard - Present LANREMT - Clint Braud - Present Private EMS Provider - Eric Coley - Present Industrial EMS Practitioner - Kirk Coussan - Present Flight Medic - Brent Crawford - Present Licensed Paramedic - Timothy Dronet - Present CAAHEP EMS Education Program Program - Amy Fowler - Present Professional Fire Fighters Association of LA - Jade Gabb - Present APCO/NENA - Gavin Hall - Absent Licensed Paramedic - Preston Landry - Present Fire EMS Provider - Naomi Majors - Present	

		<p>Louisiana Ambulance Alliance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Jessalyn Qualls - Present Licensed EMT- Bill Salmeron - Present Municipal EMS Provider- Sean Scott - Absent Licensed EMT- Otha Shamburg - Present EMS Certification Commission- Dawn Young - Present High School Educator <p>State Partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Doris Brown - Absent Office of Public Health- Glennis Gray - Absent Office of Public Health- Dan Wallis - Absent Office of the State Fire Marshal- Paige Hargrove - Present Louisiana Emergency Response Network- Cindy Duplessis - Absent EMS for Children- Jessica Vallelungo Proxy - Charmaine Cureton Department of Education <p>BEMS Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Susan Bailey - Present Director- Stacy Barbay - Present Deputy Director- John Cavell - Present	
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		Education Manager - Katherine Robillard – Present Credentialing Coordinator - Lisa MacDonald – Present 911 Communications Coordinator - Douglas Champlin – Present Compliance Coordinator - Molly Terebieniec – Present Ambulance Standards Coordinator Guest(s) present: Curry Landry, Louisiana Ambulance Alliance	
II. Public Comments	Bill Salmeron		No public comments
III. Elections of SubCommittee Chairs	Susan Bailey	Credentialing SubCommittee Chair Education SubCommittee Chair	Dawn Young volunteered for Credentialing SubCommittee Chair. T.J. Dronet volunteered for Education SubCommittee Chair.
IV. Bureau of EMS Reports a. Bureau Reports - Administration - Licensing Report - EMS Certification Commission Report	Susan Bailey Katherine Robillard Stacy Barbay	Reports have been distributed.	Matthew Stumpf has been appointed to fill the EMT Position on the Commission. The Bureau of EMS will be included in the Civil Scan pilot conducted by LSP>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exam Report - Education Report - 911 Communications Report - Ambulance Standards 	<p>Doug Champlin</p> <p>John Cavell</p> <p>Lisa MacDonald</p> <p>Molly Terebieniec</p>		<p>24 Surge ambulances were placarded for activation at the four named fires. 5 ambulances are still active.</p>
<p>V. State Partner Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Office of Public Health b. Office of the State Fire Marshal c. Louisiana Emergency Response Network d. EMS for Children e. Department of Education 	<p>Doris Brown Glennis Gray</p> <p>Dan Wallis</p> <p>Paige Hargrove</p> <p>Cindy Duplessis</p> <p>Charmaine Cureton</p>		<p>Changes regarding OPH leadership were announced.</p> <p>Absent</p> <p>ACS is doing a state consultation on the trauma system. The site visit will be on March 25-28. LERN is a training site for the Bureau of EMS. Continuing education initiatives in which EMS can participate are conducted throughout the year. Handout provided of EMS education opportunities offered by LERN. Vence has been added to the LERN team to manage disaster related events. The LERN office is on LSP compound on 2nd floor of management and finance building.</p> <p>Absent</p> <p>No Report</p>

<p>VI. Stakeholder Reports</p> <p>a. CAAHEP/CoAEMSP</p> <p>b. Louisiana Ambulance Alliance</p> <p>c. Louisiana Association of Nationally Registered EMTs</p> <p>d. Professional Firefighters of Louisiana</p> <p>e. Louisiana State Fireman’s Association</p> <p>f. APCO/NENA</p>	<p>Timothy Dronet</p> <p>Naomi Majors</p> <p>Shane Bellard</p> <p>Amy Fowler</p> <p>Blance Bankston</p> <p>Jade Gabb</p>		<p>Accreditation conference dates were announced. The conference will be in Oklahoma City. AEMT accreditation is available and is voluntary.</p> <p>St. Gabriel office is completely finished. Several ambulance were activated on the state surge contract. LAA helped with the passage of the patient protection balance billing bill.</p> <p>Annual conference was held in June with a great attendance (approximately 125-150). Largest vendor exhibits to date. LANREMT will have a booth at the EMS World Expo.</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>Regional meeting in Covington on October 12. In 2024, April 30-May 2 will be the state conference in Shreveport.</p>
<p>VII. Sub-Committee Reports</p> <p>a. Credentialing</p>	<p>Katherine Robillard (Chair Vacant)</p>	<p>✓ Meet with the Department of Insurance to determine if there is a</p>	<p>No report.</p>

<p>b. Education</p> <p>c. Examination</p> <p>d. 911 Communications</p> <p>e. Ambulance Standards</p> <p>f. EMS Certification Commission</p>	<p>John Cavell (Chair Vacant)</p> <p>Doug Champlin Gavin Hall</p> <p>Lisa MacDonald Jade Gabb</p> <p>Molly Terebieniec Brent Crawford</p> <p>Stacy Barbay Otha Shamburg</p>	<p>way to reduce the insurance rate for young EMTs</p> <p>✓ Student Minimum Competency</p>	<p>Student Minimum Competency for the AEMT level has been published. Upcoming project will be to updates the EMT Portfolio.</p> <p>AEMT and Paramedic psychomotor exam will be sun setting on July 1, 2024.</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>No report</p>
<p>VIII. Old Business</p> <p>a. Legislation</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>✓ Unfunded mandate AEDs in schools</p>	<p>Susan explained the purpose of Act 234 and that no funding was provided to LDH for compliance and regulation. Senator Fields is aware and says that funding will be made available in FY 25 when compliance will need to be regulated.</p>
<p>IX. New Business</p> <p>a. Legislation</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>✓ Technical changes to R.S. 40</p>	<p>The Bureau of EMS has been asked to supply any proposed legislation. The technical changes were submitted to OPH leadership. A determination will be made</p>

<p>b. Continuing competency credit for successful clinical skills</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>✓ Assign to a SubCommittee or combined SubCommittees</p>	<p>by LDH leadership as to whether or not this will be included in the LDH package. Credits will be provided for successful skill completion. Michigan’s model was explained.</p> <p>An adhoc committee between education and credentialing will be formed and co-chaired by Dawn Young and T.J. Dronet. Members include Eric Coley, Brent Crawford, Naomi Majors, Jessalyn Qualls, Shane Bellard and Matteo Avacato.</p>
<p>c. Policy change and auditing process regarding AEMT Programs</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>✓ Assign to a SubCommittee or combined SubCommittees</p>	<p>With the sun setting of the AEMT and Paramedic psychomotor exam, a policy to monitor student minimum competencies at the AEMT level must be written. An adhoc committee between exam and education has been formed and co-chaired by Gavin Hall and T.J. Dronet. Members include Otha Shamburg, Amy Fowler, Matteo Avacato.</p>
<p>d. Expiring Members</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>✓ Brent Crawford ✓ Gavin Hall ✓ Preston Landry ✓ Naomi Majors** ✓ Bill Salmeron</p>	<p>Expiring members who are interested in participating for a second term should submit their resume to Susan Bailey as soon as possible.</p>
<p>e. 2024 Meeting Dates</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>✓ January 16, 2024 ✓ March 12, 2024 ✓ May 7, 2024 ✓ July 9, 2024 ✓ September 17, 2024</p>	

<p>f. Lack of education for EMS Providers on how to handle narcotics.</p>	<p>Molly Terebieniec</p>	<p>✓ November 12, 2024</p>	<p>Some providers are stating that they are unaware of how to properly handle narcotics and would like some education from the DEA about this subject.</p>
<p>X. Adjourn Next meeting: November 14, 2023 Bureau of EMS 7273 Florida Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806</p>			<p>Motion by Brent Crawford and 2nd by Jade Gabb. Motion carried.</p>