

Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee  
Kinau Hale 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room  
1250 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

MINUTES OF MEETING  
Wednesday, July 17, 2019

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cody Bonilla, Libby Char, Reza Danesh, Peter Di Rocco, Dian Gruber, Michael Hayashi, Joseph Hew, Eric Ishida, Alan King Kimura, Ronald Kuroda, Karlson Pung, Brent Robinson, Ralph Yawata, Ken Zeri

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Jade Butay (DOT), BG Joe Logan (DOD), Jerry Wright, Serafin Colmenares (SHPDA)

**GUESTS:** Ron Akiyama (PMRF), Andy Ancheta (AMR), Douglas Asano (FFD), Speedy Bailey (AMR), Lori Cannon (HLF), Korey Chock (HonEMS), Dory Clisham (AMR), Josh Coleman (ARFF-Hilo), Sean Covant (HEMS), John Devlin (MFD), Amber Driscoll (R1), Jim Howe (HESD), Brett Johnson (HFD-Hnl), Mike Jones (HFD), Jill Kelekoma (LifeSave Kupono), Daniel Kelley (HHEM), Melody Kilcommons (KMCWC), Mark Leggett (HLF), Michael McDonald (MFD), Marc Moriguchi (HHEM), Curt Morimoto (AMR), Karin Ng (DOCD-EMSC), Kyle Perry (LifeSave Kupono), Kat Revuelto (HLF), Nick Vandenraadt (NHCH), Tito Villanueva (AMR), Matt Wells (PMMC), Tony Young (C&C EMS), Jeff Zuckernick (KapCC)

**EMSIPS STAFF:** Kari Benes, Alvin Bronstein, Rick Bruno, Clay Chan, Dan Galanis, Nick Hines, Terrence Jones, Terry Joyce, Tiffany Lightfoot, Dwayne Lopes, Jim Scamahorn, Tammie Smith, Andrea Chow

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

**Introductions.** Attendees introduced themselves.

**Minutes.** Minutes approved.

**Educational Presentation.** Opioid Resources for EMS - Heather Lusk, MSW, Hawaii Health & Harm Reduction. HI opioid initiative. Legislative Acts 68, 183, 255. >immunity; >take back; >prescription by phone. Discussion of current efforts to mitigate Opioid issue in Hawaii. Seven working groups: Treatment Access; Prescriber/ED Pain Management practices; Data/Evaluation; Prevention and Public Education; Pharmacy-based Intervention; Law Enforcement and First Responder; Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT). Naloxone access and public uses - 176 self-reported public uses (not validated). CARES in October - UH School of SW. Hawaii opioid initiative website: <https://hawaiiopioid.org>

**EMSAC Membership.** Vacant position is Big Island Consumer. New interim members are Chris Honda and Mike Jones, replace outgoing members whose terms expired.

## OLD BUSINESS

**State Standing Orders.** Completing update of the APP. Print version to follow ETA 1-2 weeks. Medication calculation to be included on app is in process with funding from EMSC grant funds.

## NEW BUSINESS

**EMSAC Orientation Project.** Handout. Ken Zeri helped put this together. Dr. Char requests ride along. Review and send comments to Dr. Char.

**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Evaluation of Hawaii EMS System.** Scheduled October 14-18, 2019, mark your calendars. Steering committee is Dr Char, Jim Howe, Ian Santee, Speedy Bailey, Chris Honda. Six people to come to do the eval.

Venue TBD. Part of Senate Bill 281, Act 60. Kari is lead/point of contact. Eleven focus areas to review. Looking for broad input and participation, especially Tuesday, Oct 15 and Wednesday morning, Oct 16.

**National EMSC Grant Team.** State partnership. Mission to assure standard quality care for children. Karin Ng is program manager. EMSC Federal Partners in Hawaii to do a review and sat-in on EMSAC meeting. EMSC is trying to move 3 needles: Ensure skills related to EMS Peds care; Ensure all EMS systems have a PEDS emergency Care Coordinator (PEC) to ensure standards (like CPR) for PEDS patients are up to date. There is a list of roles to be covered. Look for internal champions; Ensure NEMSIS adoption and up to date transition to NEMSIS 3.4. EIC = quality improvement collaboration: Do this by increasing the number of states with PEC's; Peds readiness steering committee was done in hospitals and now we are looking to do this in EMS.

## **DOH Reports**

**DOH Branch Chief Updates/2019 Legislature.** State began accepting credit card to pay for ambulance fees. S.B. 281, Act 60, funds ambulance unit for one year; mandates NHTSA study fund services. H.B. 1453, Act 140, discussion pertaining to community paramedicine. Components: treat not transport; transport to alternate destination, not to hospital emergency. Looking at what a program might include. Need to draft interim administrative rules. Stakeholders are key to how to ensure alternate destination.

**Injury Prevention.** Core State Violence and Injury Prevention. Program (CSVIPP) grant cooperative agreement is \$1.2 mil. Hawaii site visit in August 2019. Injury prevention program manager retired end of June 2019. IPAC-Steering Committee meeting this Friday. Next IPAC meeting is October 19.

**Trauma.** State medical director panel is Dr. Hayashi and Dr. Johnson. HITS is August 9 & 10. Active assailant drill; Stop the Bleed; table top = 30 mins, recs to fac where folks are; echo learning platform

**Education and Training.** Kapiolani Community College budget reduced. Student enrollment has decreased. Plan to charge for CME in 2020:

**Air Medical Committee.** Will begin reporting data on medevac numbers for the Maui and Big Island helicopters. QI being done by the private carriers internally. Discussion to develop criteria for medical futility in air transport.

## **AGENCY REPORTS**

Copies of the agency reports were circulated at the meeting.

## **Announcements**

- EMPC 1pm today.
- Hawaii Trauma Advisory Council (HTAC): August 8; November 1
- Hawaiian Islands Trauma Symposium: August 9-10
- Ocean Safety & Drowning Conference: July 26
- NHTSA Evaluation: October 14-18, 2019

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday October 16, 2019

2019 meeting dates: 23 January; 17 April; 17 July; 16 October

**ADJOURNED:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Libby Char, M.D., Chair