

EMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Minutes	EMS Education Committee
Date	June 11th, 2025
Time	10:00 am CST
Location	Iris Room 665 Mainstream Drive Nashville, Tennessee
Participants	<p>Members Present: Greg Johnson (Chairperson); Kirk Harris (Vice Chair), Dana Knueven (Secretary), Jason Fox, William Andrews, Mike Terrell, Katie Hall, Mark Edison, Nick Santiago, Chris Davis, Shannon Morphis, Houston Ausitn, January Bukowitz, Aaron Carl, Mark Walker, Kenneth Oxford, Kevin King, Mike Alberson,</p> <p>Central Office: Assistant Director Chip Cook, Russell Gupton, Director Ward</p> <p>Members Absent: Chris Davis, Baker McCool, Mike Alberson</p>

Overall Lead	Topic	Summary/Decisions	Assignments / Next Steps	Responsible Person	Time Frame
	Roll Call/Introduction	<p>Meeting was called to order at 1003</p> <p>Roll Call (results are listed above): a quorum was deemed present.</p> <p>Chairman Johnson reiterated the importance of attendance and the removal of non-active members. The oversight committee manages the enforcement of attendance, not the office of EMS.</p>			
	Minute Approval	<p>Minutes reviewed and a motion to approve made by Kirk Harris, seconded by Mark Edison.</p> <p>Minutes approved by acclimation.</p>			

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	Special Business	No Special Business			
	Presentations	No Presentations			

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	<p style="text-align: center;">Subcommittee & Workgroup Reports</p>	<p>Mental Health Work Group Presented by Jason Fox. Final presentation given to committee. Suggestions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add EMR to suggested audiences • Implementation schedule/timeline-It would be nice to implement ASAP, but the target is one full year before it can be enforceable by the state. • How would the con-ed component for the initial curriculum be developed and implemented? <p>Motion to approve the curriculum for presentation to the board as written made by Mark Walker, Seconded by Houston Austin.</p> <p>Discussion: In the event the board suggested a go-live date, what are the possible options? If asked, July 2026 is the suggestion.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote: Motion Passes</p> <p>Ventilator Curriculum Update Presented by Mark Edison. The work group met for the first time last week. Jonathan Wood and Oseana Bratton have joined the work group from the clinical issues committee. 9 points within the current curriculum were identified for review and revision. Also review the TN policy for IFT of the mechanical ventilator program and a review of the approved clinical practices.</p>			
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		<p>Other topics include: Minimum years of experience prior to training and instructor requirements.</p> <p>Documentation Course Workgroup Presented by Chairman Johnson The first meeting was held prior to the Education Committee meeting, nobody from the EC committee was able to attend.</p> <p>Practical Scenario Creation Workgroup Presented by Jason Fox</p> <p>A review has been requested for the AEMT scenarios now that they have been implemented. The paramedic scenarios have been done and submitted. Jason Fox has requested a small work group to help review these scenarios.</p> <p>Chairman Johnson requested the reformatting the size of the workgroup to 5 active participants with the understanding that need to be reviewed and submitted to Russell Gupton for approval.</p> <p>Workgroup: Jason Fox (chair), Curt Auckerman, Nick Santiago, John Reeves, Kirk Harris</p> <p>EPIC4KIDS- no presentation today, the board did have some follow up questions.</p>			
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		<p>Report from Clinical Issues Committee Presented by Jason Fox Jon Wood and Oseana Bratton joined the Ventilator Work group. The neo-T has been approved as a piece of equipment. Patellar Reduction has been approved for adults. The use of Ventilators in the field was discussed. A rule change may need to be made for full field use. Williamson County has been approved for a pilot program to implement ventilators in the field. Clinical issues is currently putting together a statement regarding medics working outside of their scope of practice in hydration or IV clinics. Telemedicine was reviewed and approved for further discussion.</p>			
	<p>Old Business</p>	<p>EMS Education Committee White Paper (Full Transparency-AI) The goal is to have this ready for presentation to the board by the September meeting. Requests made to add language that includes *EMR, Critical Care, Community, etc. *Add Ventilator workgroup to “established workgroups”</p>			

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		Director Ward cautioned us not to become overly specific in changes made to this document so that we do not end up limiting our ability as the committee.			
	New Business	<p>Presented by Director Ward The current rule states: A person entering an AEMT class must hold a TN EMT-B license. The only caveat is if they are going from EMT-B to AEMT within 120 days.</p> <p>I/C Audit Results Presented by Russell Gupton</p>			
	Closing Remarks/Adjournment	Motion to Adjourn Made by Jason Fox and seconded by Kevin King			
	Link to Meeting Recording	https://tdh.streamingvideo.tn.gov/Mediasite/Play/dac071a3105445bc9c4aac0d443ba3b31d			