

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 17, 2007**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Janine Anderson (Chairman)
Brian Smith
Bill White
Orlando Alcorido, Jr.
Jim Critchley
John Valentine
Brenda Sutton

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Gary Woods

ADHS Staff

Terry Mullins
Ed Armijo
Sarah Harpring
Joel Bunis
Traci Alexander

Teleconference

Marilyn Price

I. CALL TO ORDER

Janine Anderson, Chairman, called the regular meeting of the Education Committee to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present.

II. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON February 08, 2007 MINUTES

A motion was made by Janine Anderson and seconded by Jerry Stein to accept the minutes of February 8, 2007 with the following corrections: Item III, 1a: "interrupting data" should be "interpreting data". Third page under Auto Vent item for "Janine Anderson asked Chris__" should be "Janine Anderson asked Chris Black..." Page Four under Item C-a., Jim Critchley's name is spelled wrong. Should be "Critchley." Under NEW BUSINESS, V, second bullet, should be Chris "Black". On the last page, V, "Item" heading reads, "Discussion and action to formulate a curriculum for EMT instructors in order to help standardize the training process" should be the same as Item B "Discussion and action on request to change Psychomotor Skills for Paramedic Certification proposed by Greg Chmara." Under the same topic, third bullet it reads "Discussed ensued" and it instead should read "Discussion ensued". The fourth bullet, same topic "changed rule" should read "changed in rule." **Motion carried.**

III. REPORTS

A. Report from Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System

Terry Mullins, Bureau Chief, announced that the member's packets include a letter that provides information about the upcoming American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma System Evaluation scheduled for June 26-29, 2007. All are encouraged to participate.

B. Chairman's Report

Janine Anderson stated that Bunis had indicated that LMA is not in the scope of practice in the DOT Paramedic Curriculum. The Bureau will look at how many individuals

are using it to see if there is enough need to write a rule to add to the scope of practice.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion and action on draft curricula's for:

1. EZ-IO

A motion was made by Brian Smith and seconded by Jerry Stein to accept the EZ-IO curriculum. Discussion ensued: 1) amount of hours under methodology; 2) corrections that needed to be made to the draft were as follows:

- Brian Smith stated FDA approved ADULTS and PEDIATRIC patients. He stated it should be corrected throughout the document:
 - a. Bottom of page 10 of COURSE OUTLINE, Section II, "Purpose and Description..." should be ADULTS & PEDIATRIC;
 - b. Section II, IV-A should be ADULTS & PEDIATRIC;
 - c. Page 10-2C- should be "25-35 mm";
 - d. Page 11-4D – should be "hemo-dynamic instability";
 - e. Page 10 – 11 – numbering off;
 - f. Page 11-5C – parentheses missing after "disease";
 - g. Page 12, #2 – last line "ling" should be "long";
 - h. Page 12, Section M – 5th or 6th line should be pulled back;
 - i. Skills check list – total is 20 points but point value does not add up to 20; two lines missing points should each have 1 point a piece – total will still be short 7 points;
 - j. Page 14 – Check list, 7th Action line from the top change "Stabilizes leg" to "Stabilizes extremity".
- Sarah Harpring asked for clarification of changes of ADULTS & PEDIATRIC Proximal and Distal Tibia and Proximal Humerus in ADULTS; Brian Smith clarified changes should be inserted in II-B. Harpring responded to include that it's approved for use Proximal and Distal Tibia in ADULTS & PEDIATRIC and Proximal Humerus in ADULTS.
- Janine Anderson recommended training for students should be at least one hour of lecture, skills/practice and one-half hour written and practical skills evaluation. Jerry Stein stated since this is a modification, one hour maximum should be the recommended time. Brenda Sutton will amend the curriculum. This item will be tabled until the November 8, 2007 meeting.

2. Auto Vent

a. A motion was made by Jerry Stein and seconded by Brenda Sutton to approve the curriculum as written. Discussion ensued regarding amending the Auto Vent curriculum in rule to read more as a guidance document to assist people in training. Sarah Harpring suggested verbiage in first paragraph, first page "**This course is designed to expand the scope of practice**" be reworded so in the process it removes the Article information. The course description and prerequisites need to be rephrased and made similar to verbiage written in EZ-IO so that it reads i.e. "This course is designed to provide instruction...."

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b. Janine Anderson also wanted to keep EMT-(I) and EMT-(P) in curriculum. She also wanted to modify “Course Description” so that “Prerequisites” will not be necessary. Jerry Stein wants the description to read “This course is designed provide **assistance**”. Brian Smith wants same course description used in EZ-IO in the instructor qualifications but leave instruction as a tool. Motion was amended to accept the curriculum with proposed changes. Jerry Stein amended his motion to approve Automatic Transport Ventilator Support Instructional document as modified and forward to EMS Council. Brian Smith seconded the motion. **Motion carried.**

3. CPAP

a. Orlando Alcorido suggested tabling this item because there is an agency doing a hands-on program and states agency is willing to do presentation for next meeting in November. Brian Smith suggested all curricula be in a standardized format.

B. Discussion and Action to Formulate a Curriculum for EMT Instructor in order to help Standardize the Training Process

Joel Bunis wants a guidance document created as to what instructors at the basic level should have as the minimum knowledge/skill for basic EMT instruction. Discussion ensued as to whether to formulate a curriculum for EMT Instructors in order to help standardize the training process.

Sarah Harpring stated the rule R9-25-312 (B), which refers to Jerry Stein’s comment for 24 hours instructor, shows there’s a stipulation for “24 hours of training related to instructional methodology” which includes:

- a. Organizing and preparing materials for didactic instruction, clinical training, field training, and skills practice;
- b. Preparing and administering tests and practical examinations;
- c. Using equipment and supplies;
- d. Measuring student performance;
- e. Evaluating student performance;
- f. Providing correct feedback; and
- g. Evaluating course effectiveness.

Janine Anderson reiterated:

- a. Next meeting add to agenda Jerry Stein’s document that states individual has to have 24 hour instructional strategy program and competencies that individual had to achieve.
- b. Recommend people use NHTSA program.

C. Discussion and Action on Changing Psychomotor Skills for Paramedic Certification: Pima College

1. Greg Chmara expressed concerns regarding specialty psychomotor skills, which he

explained has evolved into a full program and has become a concern for the following:

- a. Extrication
- b. Technical rescue or hi-angle rescue
- c. Swift water rescue
- d. Hazardous material training

He also stated that the curriculum does not provide sufficient skills training for students to pass a paramedic program. Discussion ensued:

- Brian Smith asked how do individuals get the ability to go out and do extrication training if there are no fire departments. He feels this would require a rule change.
- Ray Kline states that concern is that as instructors they are required to sign off students meeting classroom objectives (see above).
- Joel Bunis clarified that in rule “all objectives had been met” has been addressed. It states that an individual will “adhere to National Standard of Curriculum”.
- Terry Mullins states that National Curriculum is necessary because it’s in rule and it’s the way Department recruits. He stated that he will meet with Pima and will update the Committee at the next meeting.

Agenda item pending until Terry Mullins meets with Pima College to assess the curriculum requirements.

D. Process and Standards for Assessing Training Program Quality – National Registry Passing Rate for Training Programs

1. Terry Mullins suggests creating a draft and putting it on the agenda for next meeting.

E. Rule Changes:

1. R9-25-304(E)(1)(a) “allow an instructor for that session of the course to enroll in that session of the course as a student”
2. R9-25-304(E)(1)(b) “to an instructor for that session of the course a certificate of completion for that session of the course”
3. R9-25-304(E)(8) “Each individual who proctors or administers a final examination for a course is neither the training program director nor an instructor for the course”
Janine Anderson stated the reason rules were added to agenda was that they bypassed Education Committee and went straight to EMS Council and she wanted rules discussed in case of any concerns that may need to be brought up.
Jerry Stein voiced several concerns. Terry Mullins suggested Jerry Stein submit his concerns to Bureau for further evaluation.

F. Eliminating the immunization training requirement in R9-25-501, adding immunizing agents to Table 1 in R9-25-503, and adopting a new curriculum and requirements for EMT-I(99) and EMT-P administration of TB tests

1. Terry Mullins stated current rule deals with training requirements for EMT (I) and

EMT (P) and specifies who is to participate in immunization training as well as dealing with immunizing agents and performing Mantoux subdermal injections. He also stated that the content, skills and all components of vaccinations were part of the DOT curriculum. He recommended removing the rule after obtaining required methodology.

2. Sarah Harpring explained the process in removing current R9-25-501: “There is statutory authorization for the Director to suspend a rule if Director does not feel it’s in the public’s best interest and then initiate repealing the rule and notifying all interested parties in writing of the Director’s actions and reasons for actions.” It was determined the rule requirement for EMT-(I) and EMT-(P) to complete immunization training prior to administering immunizations should be suspended because it was redundant. A Notice of Public Information will be published by the Secretary of State by May 25, yet rule has been effective since May 1st. She states the email went out to stakeholders and was posted on the web site. The rule is still in limbo and needs attention. The Director’s office wants the Education Committee to look over the draft in the packets and agree to the following:
 - Repeal 501;
 - Adopt new 501 that is limited to TB skin test training;
 - Amend drug list Table 1, R9-25-503 by adding immunizing agents to drug list so agents can be administered by EMT-(I) and EMT-(P).

Motion made by Brian Smith to accept the changes reviewed by Sarah Harpring.

Motion seconded by Jerry Stein. Discussion ensued:

- a. Janine Anderson agreed to standardization according to DOT curriculum – wanted training curriculum as guidance document and recommends sending to PMD to implement drug profiles.
- b. Brian Smith suggested suspending rule for paramedics since it is in the LEP curriculum but leave rule intact for EMT-(99) as immunizing agents not in EMT-(99) curriculum.
- c. Jerry Stein stated that immunizing is allowed in the field but not in the classroom. No second. **Motion failed.**

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Motion to accept the original motion to adopt rule changes as stated is opposed by Brian Smith but is passed by the majority. **Motion carried.**

V. **CALL TO PUBLIC**

Ray Kline stated that in R9-25-312(C)(1), the lead instructor has to “be present or have a substitute lead instructor present during all course hours established for the course session” and felt interpretation was vague and wanted an allowance to use qualified lead instructors as backups. Kline stated he would like this topic put on agenda for next meeting.

Jerry Stein wanted clarification in regards to letter from Bureau which redefined recertification process about National Registry curriculum. Joel Bunis explained that individuals were the given opportunity to take or not take National Registry.

VII. MEMBERS EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jerry Stein stated University of Arizona on July 19 in Sierra Vista will be at Coconino College; 24th in Flagstaff at Flagstaff Medical Center to conduct a one day Pediatric Program seminar and asked that this information be disseminated throughout the state.

Terry Mullins announced the AEMS Odyssey will be the May 31st through June 1.

Janine Anderson announced SATNET will be the 9th and 10th of August.

Terry Mullins announced the Pediatric Symposium October 9th and EMS week May 21-25.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Education Committee is scheduled for November 8, 2007.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Jerry Stein made motion to adjourn meeting and was seconded by Brenda Sutton. The meeting was adjourned at 12:26 p.m.

Approved by Education Committee 11/08/2008