



# Community EMS Workgroup

## Meeting Minutes:

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**SUBJECT:** CHEMS Workgroup March Minutes  
**DATE:** March 28, 2018

**ATTENDEES:** Wayne Denny, Marta Tanikuni, Brenda Gully, Xenya Poole, Mary Sheridan, Janet Reis Ann Watkins, Jill Cooke  
**LOCATION:** IDHW Offices – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Room 3A  
450 W State Street, Boise ID, 83702

**Teleconference:** Steve Holloway, Bill Holstein, Les Eaves, Travis Spencer, Kevin Gray, Mark Babson, Noelle Bruce, Eric Day, Janice Lung, Mike Mikitish, Amy Farnworth, Sara Hart, Christina Sears, Elaina Donohoe

**STATUS:** Draft (03/28/20)

## Agenda Topics:

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### **Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Overview** – *Wayne Denny, IDHW Bureau of EMS*

- ◆ Wayne Denny welcomed everyone. In-person and phone attendees introduced themselves. A motion for approval of the February meeting minutes was passed.

### **CHEMS Panel** – *Mark Babson Ada County Paramedics*

- ◆ Mark Babson presented an update on the CHEMS panel. The panel presented at the March IHC meeting. Immediately following, the SHIP State Led Evaluation team conducted a second interview while filming the panelists at Boise State University. The video will be used to highlight CHEMS initiatives. CHEMS panelist included: 1) Juan Bonilla, Donnelly Rural Fire Protection District; 2) Travis Spencer, Payette County Paramedics; and 3) Mark Babson, Ada County Paramedics. Wayne Denny facilitated the panel discussion.
- ◆ The panel was very successful and each panelist had an opportunity to share the current state of their CHEMS program development, successes, and failures.

### **Image Trend/IHDE**– *Wayne Denny, Bureau of EMS and Preparedness (EMSP)*

- ◆ Funding is currently being sorted and the pilot project is expected to go live within the next three months. Agency interest in participating in the pilot was requested.
- ◆ Conversations have begun regarding the movement of data and patient information, the accessibility of data, and the Idaho Health Data Exchange.

**CMS Regulations** –*Brenda Gully, Bureau of EMSP*

- ◆ Blue Cross has requested templates that house patient care reports and information. These templates could possibly be utilized for CHEMS reimbursement.

**Data Collection** – *Marta Tanikuni, Bureau of EMSP*

- ◆ Current data collection methods are being revised to capture the remaining metrics and quarterly data. The remaining metrics are captured in survey form, but the Patient Care and Data Tracking workbook is still ok to use. Quarterly data will now be collected in SurveyMonkey format in hopes to ease the data collection process. Feedback was welcomed.

**Upcoming Webinar and Learning Collaborative** – *Marta Tanikuni, Bureau of EMSP*

- ◆ The Economic Modeling/Business Analytics webinar on April 4<sup>th</sup> from 12-130 PM, please register.
- ◆ The next Learning Collaborative will be held in the fall of 2018. Preliminary topics identified include: CHEMS agency best practices, mentorship, reimbursement, integration, toolkit development, and motivational interviewing.

**Sustainability-** *Wayne Denny, Bureau of EMSP*

- ◆ Mr. Denny stated that CHEMS will continue post SHIP and hopes that everyone will continue to participate with the momentum the agencies currently have.
- ◆ A potential CHEMS position within the Bureau may become available in the near future.
- ◆ The April 11, 2018 Idaho Healthcare Coalition (IHC) will address health care delivery transformation/sustainability post SHIP grant. CHEMS should be an integral part of continuing transformation of Idaho's healthcare along with the other workgroups.
- ◆ EMT and Advanced EMT classes are still on target for the beginning of August. Mike Mikitish gave an overview of the course curriculum.

**Next Steps/Updates** – *Wayne Denny, Bureau of EMSP*

- Workgroup member updates:
  - Steve Holloway, SHIP Manager, Public Health District – 1 reported on outcomes of the RC sub grant issued to Bonner County CHEMS agency - In Bonner County, within 30 days of being released, due to the CHEMS agency engagement with PCP, Sandpoint Family Health Services and an ER Cardiologist; 10 cardiac patients have avoided readmission to the hospital or emergency room.
  - Chief Gray, Blackfoot Fire – has met with the local Meals on Wheels program and the Veteran's Association about how their CHEMS services could help these programs.
  - Eric Day, Idaho Falls Ambulance Service – stated that he has met with the county commissioner to get approval to remodel their Swan Valley station and to offer CHEMS/EMS services.
  - The SHIP State Led Evaluation Team is in the final phases of editing the CHEMS panel video.
  - Mike Mikitish, Idaho State University- the EMT/AEMT curriculum development and implementation is underway and the first cohort will begin the first week of August. In a few weeks, the website and a registration link will be available. The registration link will be sent out. Interested CP instructors were encouraged to apply. Estimated 39 hours of class time and 5 hours of Health Specific Modules, over a span of 13 weeks.

- The CHEMS Workgroup is meeting with Blue Cross of Idaho to explore the potential for reimbursement of CHEMS services.
- Mary Sheridan, IDHW, Bureau of Rural Health and Primary Care – currently working on two contracts:
  - Idaho State University – EMT/AEMT curriculum development and implementation
  - ImageTrend – Pilot project with EMS agencies to add a CP module for data collection
- The EMS Bureau is talking with Ann Montera about a comprehensive report involving Idaho CHEMS agencies to capture their successes, best practices, case studies, and data collection.

There being no further comments, Wayne Denny adjourned the meeting at 10:55 AM.

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