

# IDAHO EMSPC MEETING MINUTES

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August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015

A meeting of the Idaho Emergency Medical Services Physician Commission (EMSPC) was held on this date at the Ada County Paramedics Headquarters, 370 N. Benjamin Ln, Boise, Idaho.

**Members Present:**

Mark Urban, M.D.  
James Alter  
Veronica Mitchell-Jones  
Eric Chun, M.D.  
Paul Johns, M.D.  
Keith Sivertson, M.D.  
Ian Butler-Hall, M.D.  
Curtis Sandy, M.D.

**Member's Position:**

American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter  
Citizen Representative  
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Idaho Fire Chiefs Association  
Idaho Bureau of Emergency Medical Services & Preparedness  
Idaho Hospital Association  
Idaho Medical Association  
Idaho State Board of Medicine

**Members Absent:**

Michael L. Lemon, D.O.  
Jamie Karambay, M.D.

**Member's Position:**

American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma  
American College of Emergency Physicians, Idaho Chapter

**Vacant Seats:**

Idaho Association of Counties

**Others Present:**

Michael McGrane  
Kevin Bolar  
Julie Mills, MD  
David Gates  
Steve Blados  
Wayne Denny  
Janna Nicholson  
Derek Coleman  
Diana Hone

**Other's Position:**

EMSAC Air Medical Subcommittee  
INL  
Weiser Ambulance  
Bannock County  
TVEMSS  
Idaho Bureau of EMS & Preparedness- EMSP Bureau Chief  
Idaho Bureau of EMS & Preparedness - EMSP Field Coordinator  
Idaho Bureau of EMS & Preparedness – EMSP Technical Records Lead  
Idaho Bureau of EMS & Preparedness – Budget Specialist

➤ Chairman Sandy called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**8:30 – 8:35      Opening Comments**

*Commissioner Butler-Hall, Idaho Medical Association, moved to enter closed executive session to review confidential material involving EMS personnel in accordance with Idaho Code § 67-2345(1)(b&f).*

*Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

**8:35 – 8:45      Closed to Public**

*Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, moved to come out of executive session.*

*Commissioner Butler-Hall, Idaho Medical Association, seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

**8:45 – 8:50      Welcome & Introductions**

**8:50 – 8:55      Licensure Action Report**

*Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, moved to accept recommendations made by the EMSPC in closed session. Commissioner Butler-Hall, Idaho Medical Association, seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

**8:55 – 9:00      Approval of Minutes**

*Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, moved to accept the draft minutes from 5/8/2015 as submitted. Commissioner Butler-Hall, Idaho Medical Association, seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

**9:00 – 9:15      Agency OM Usage Report**

Raw Optional Module Usage data submitted by EMS agencies with their license renewal was reviewed.

**9:15 – 9:30      EMSAC Air Medical Subcommittee**

- Scope & Overview of Critical Care Paramedics-

EMSAC Air Medical Subcommittee Representative Michael McGrane brought questions regarding the Critical Care Paramedic Scope of Practice that EMSAC had raised regarding agencies that are operating or advertising as Critical Care Transport or Transfer. He recognized that some of their questions and concerns were addressed during the last EMSPC meeting. The Scope of Practice Critical Care Paramedic skills are applied to Agencies that declare and advertise Critical Care transport.

*Commissioner Sivertson, Idaho Hospital Association, moved to task EMSAC with proposing a definition of a Critical Care Paramedic in Idaho, and procedures for staffing a critical care transfer when a Critical Care Paramedic or Medical Air Transport isn't available. Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

**9:30 – 10:00      Scope of Practice Review**

- Scope of Practice 2016-1 Appendix A draft review and modifications.
- Line 69- Pacing; Permanent/ICD information follow up from Critical Care Paramedics Scope discussion last meeting. Line 69 will not be part of the Paramedic 2011 or Critical Care Paramedic Scope of Practice.

- Advanced EMT Interfacility Transfer Patient with Foley or Central Line with non-medicated fluids.

*Commissioner Sivertson, Idaho Hospital Association, moved to communicate with EMS Medical Directors that in a 911 response the transport of home health patients who have been sent home with medical appliances is allowed by the Scope of Practice for EMT, AEMT, and Paramedics. Interfacility transfers of these same patients is an increasing need that requires more research by the EMSPC before a license level defined scope can be presented. Until there is a level based scope, the EMSPC encourages intervention and collaboration by medical control on a case by case basis. Commissioner Butler-Hall, Idaho Medical Association, seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

### **10:15 – 10:35 Wildland Fire Update**

Fire season has been quiet to date. No significant updates.

### **10:35 – 10:50 IECC EMD Collaboration Update**

- IECC Collaboration

Chairman Sandy is drafting correspondence for IECC requesting collaboration.

### **10:50 – 11:50 Medical Director Education Subcommittee Report**

- Medical Supervision reports

The commission reviewed responses to the Idaho EMS Agency License Renewal Application questions about medical supervision.

- Medical Director Intro Online courses

The material will be designed to cover the basic rules, requirements, and best practices of EMS medical supervision and would include a format for feedback to develop additional or advanced topics that would be used for the Medical Supervision Roundtables.

- Medical Director Advanced Roundtable

The next Medical Director Advanced Roundtable will be held in either Post Falls, Couer d' Alene, or Sandpoint on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

### **11:50 – 12:00 EMSPC recognizes and thanks Diana Hone for assisting the commission over the last 7 years.**

### **1:00 – 1:15 Protocol Subcommittee Update**

- New Bureau Liaison – Janna Nicholson
- Protocol Retreat scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup> at the EMS Bureau Office.

### **1:15 – 1:30 Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (CARES)**

Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival (CARES) will begin charging for the service in January 2016. CARES subscriptions are available for individual agencies or statewide systems. Idaho is currently listed as a statewide system member. The EMSPC discussed Time Sensitive Emergency's (TSE) roll in cardiac arrest and post cardiac care and that CARES reporting would fall under the Idaho Trauma Registry reporting.

*Commissioner Sivertson, Idaho Hospital Association, moved that since cardiac arrest and post cardiac care fall under the TSE focus the EMSPC would defer handling the CARES Subscription discussion and possible implementation to TSE. Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

### **1:30 – 1:45 Ambulance Based Clinicians (ABC)**

EMSPC discussed the role of Ambulance Based Clinicians used by EMS Agencies for patient transport and transfers. IDAPA 16.01.03 "Emergency Medical Services- Agency Licensure Requirements" and IDAPA 23.01.01 "Rules of the

Idaho State Board of Nursing” were reviewed for current requirements. The EMSPC believes there needs to be more investigation and research into defining the role of an ABC in transport and transfer situations.

**1:45 – 2:30 EMSPC Rules Changes**

EMSPC changes to the Standards Manual & Scope of Practice edition to 2016-1 to be effective July 1, 2016.

**2:30 – 3:00 Strategic Plan**

- Bylaws; Meeting Attendance

The EMSPC discussed possible requirements for commissioners regarding attendance and subcommittee involvement.

**3:15 – 3:25 Commission Vacancies**

- Idaho Association of Counties
- Idaho Bureau of EMS & Preparedness

**3:25 – 4:00 Review Action Item Assignments & November Agenda items**

- Chairman Sandy will contact Paramedic representatives for the Protocol Subcommittee Retreat.
- Chairman Sandy will draft correspondence regarding CARES to TSE.
- Chairman Sandy will schedule strategic planning meeting with the Bureau.
- Critical Care Transfers to be discussed in February when EMSPC coincides with EMSAC.

*Commissioner Butler-Hall, Idaho Medical Association, moved to adjourn. Commissioner Urban, American Academy of Pediatrics, Idaho Chapter, seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.*

➤ Adjournment 3:30 pm

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Curtis Sandy, Chairman  
Idaho Emergency Medical Services Physician Commission