

**HIGHLIGHTS** of the  
Idaho Emergency Medical Services **Physician Commission** (EMSPC)  
November 12, 2010 Meeting

**-2011-1 EMSPC Standards Manual:** Changes for the 2011 standards manual were finalized. It will become effective at the conclusion of the legislative session, sine die 2011. All changes are found in meeting minutes. A “Summary of Changes” document along with the draft standards manual may be found on the website. [www.emspc.dhw.idaho.gov](http://www.emspc.dhw.idaho.gov)

**-Personnel Identification:** All licensed EMS personnel will be required to wear some type of identification that shows name and level of EMS licensure when responding. This requirement will be found in Section VIII. of the 2011-1 EMSPC Standards Manual and be effective sine die of the 2011 legislature.

**-Protocols:** Twice yearly the EMSPC will select ten (10) agencies (random selection from volunteer and non-volunteer) to submit a protocol for review. The first protocol will be patient destination. The same agency will not be selected twice in one year. The EMSPC will provide best practice examples to all agencies from these reviews.

**-Medical Director Education:** Congratulations to EMS Medical Directors

- Mikael Bedell, M.D. of Cascade
- Ian Butler-Hall, M.D. of Boise
- H. Stuart Willis, M.D. of Bonners Ferry

for completing the on-line medical director training, *Guide for Preparing Medical Directors*, from the Critical Illness and Trauma Foundation (CIT) and winning the drawing for the three (3) sets of NAEMSP four-volume text “Emergency Medical Services: Clinical Practice and Systems Oversight.”

The course provides medical directors and administrators with a fundamental understanding of medical direction related to emergency medical services and guidance for effective medical direction. Physicians will receive 12 hours of Category I Continuing Medical Education at completion of the training. Idaho specific items will be added in the near future. Licensed EMS personnel and administrators may use this course for continuing education credits for license renewal consistent with your agencies training and education policies.

The web site to access the course is [www.MedicalDirectorOnline.org](http://www.MedicalDirectorOnline.org). You will be asked to register for the course and be provided with online instructions. As a member of the Idaho EMS community, the fee for taking the course has been waived through the subscription contract. If you encounter any problems please contact Teri Sanddal with the Critical Illness and Trauma Foundation at [tsanddal@citmt.org](mailto:tsanddal@citmt.org) or call (406) 585-2659.