



Meeting Minutes



Meeting Title:	Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC)	
Meeting Location:	MSDH, Osborne Auditorium	
Meeting Date:	March 7, 2025	
Time:	1:03 p.m.	
Attendees:	<u>Council Members (X = Present):</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Daniel Edney, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. W. Duncan Donald III <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Dr. Jeremy Rogers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Jonathan Wilson <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Andy Woodard <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Suzanne Joslin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Ryan Wilson <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Jeffrey Welborn <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Eric Valles <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mark Davis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Kendall McKenzie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Clyde Deschamp <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Pete Avara <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Hugh Gamble <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Hans H. Tulip <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Ms. Pam Wallace <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Ben Yarborough <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Amber Kyle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Mr. Mark Galtelli <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Tyler Blalock <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Mr. Billy Taylor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Jason Stacy <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Claude Brunson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Mr. David Grayson	<u>State EMS Medical Director</u> Dr. Bob Galli <u>Meeting Facilitator:</u> Ms. Teresa Windham - MSDH <u>MSDH Staff Present:</u> Ms. Teresa Windham - OEMSACS Director Ms. Christy Berry - OEMSACS Deputy Director Ms. Courtney Day - OEMSACS Ms. Tammy Wells - OEMSACS *Meeting via ZOOM <u>MSDH Staff:</u> *Richard Burdine *Elaine Coleman *Billie Collier *Joshua Dawson Stacie Graham *Bethany McKissack *Katieanne McMillen *Andrew Nguyen Jonathan Wright
	<u>GUESTS:</u> John Beard, Rita Chambers, Howard Elins, David Mapp - Metro Ambulance Patrick Graham - NMMC Scott Kolle, Kell Smith - MCCB Norman Miller - ASAP EMS Dorian Patterson - UMMC	



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I	Call to Order	Dr. Stacy called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.
II	Roll Call	Ms. Windham advised there was a quorum.
III	Old Business	<p>Review Minutes of Previous December 2024 Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion by Ms. Kyle. • Second by Ms. Wallis • No opposed. <p>Office of EMS and Acute Care Systems Report</p> <p>A special recognition of Teletha Johnson, a previous Trauma Data Analyst, who recently passed away on December 28, 2024.</p> <p>Ms. Windham introduced new staff and followed up on action items from the previous meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stacie Graham (Licensure) - Licensure and service applications are online. Eighteen services have submitted applications online. We will work on getting inspections online. • Jonathan Wright (Data Management Team Lead) - Working on Data Validation for EMS and Performance Improvement committees for Trauma, EMS, STEMI, and Stroke. • Reminded EMS agencies that EMS reports should be provided to hospitals within 24 hours. • Follow-Up/Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The coordination of the EMS Workforce Survey and Remedial/Refresher items are still on the EMS Workforce and Education Committee agenda. ○ The EMS Rules and Regulations have been submitted to the Secretary of State and a public hearing request is scheduled for March 31st. ○ No representative from the insurance industry has been added. Request to add to EMS of the Future committee. • EMS Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EMT Courses: 15 Facilities - 30 EMT Courses - 224 Students ○ Paramedic: 8 Courses - 127 Students



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The numbers from the Image Trend database we have licensed in Mississippi. This would not include those working under the compact. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paramedics -1947 ▪ EMTs - 2282 ▪ Advanced EMTs - 283 • Recruitment and retention campaign - working with industry to secure funding. <p>Mr. Mitchell provided updates for ongoing investigations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The top concerns are fingerprint background reviews, EMS interactions with patients/family, and EMS and hospital interactions/communications. • Validity of complaints/concerns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Substantiated - 45 ○ Unsubstantiated - 41 ○ Inconclusive - 23 <p>Committee and Subcommittee Reports</p> <p><u>MDTQA/Performance Improvement - Dr. Galli</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on data, we need to know we have the right data and receiving all patient care reports. • Last quarter there was an improvement in general use of blood usage. <p><u>MTAC - Future Goals Adopted - Dr. Donald</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All levels 1, 2, and 3 Trauma Centers participate in the Trauma Quality Improvement Project by 2030. • All levels 1 and 2 Trauma Centers to be ACS verified by 2030. • Institute statewide injury prevention projects. • Trauma Registry to be current with historical data as well as the most recent data since our most recent switch over to Image Trend by March 1, 2026. • Special task force to address Rules and Regulations prior to the next MTAC meeting; may have new Rules and Regulations to present at the next MTAC meeting in June.



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">American College of Surgeons System Consultation in place by 2030 and have a separate task force to evaluate the idea of repatriation of trauma patients or return to sender.A new death review form will be standardized for all hospitals that came through the state PI process approved by MTAC. Some input for EMS as well. <p><u>Rules and Regulations - Dr. Wilson</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Has not met. Education discussion, Chapter 10, was not approved by the Board of Health. Further discussion is needed regarding the Critical Care Paramedic. <p><u>Education and Workforce - Mr. Galtelli</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The statewide paramedics curriculum removed the A&P requirement as a prerequisite. The timeline for programs to start will be August 2025.Working on some type of remediation program and survey.Recruitment campaigns to push EMS recruitment to social media marketing. The target is 18 to 40-year-olds. <p><u>Telemedicine and EMS of the Future - Dr. Stacy</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Working with stakeholders; what EMS should look like. Insurance and EMS, where we would like it to go. Working on the foundation shift. <p><u>EMS for Children - Amber Kyle</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Received good response and feedback for the EMS Safety FairThe Pediatric Readiness Survey will use the current language as Trauma for Pediatric Designations (Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary).Disasters, looking at templates for hospitals. Development of a task force for the Inclusion of pediatric-specific annex templates for hospitals (bereavement counseling, reunification process, and surge capacity for injured vs non-injured children.)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trauma Rules & Regulations - update to pediatric equipment list for hospitals (such as high-flow nasal cannula and 5/8 mm Fr feeding tubes.) EMS Date Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mortality Sports-related injuries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The goal is to provide information and courses to improve EMS knowledge/treatment quality during sporting events <p><u>MHCA</u> - Ms. McGregor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stroke needs to look at some metrics and PI in the process of being reviewed. Prenotification looking at documentation and data entry Lower the device time under the national benchmark STEMI system of care, door-to-balloon. transfer patients we are, we are below the standard. The central district is the lowest. Prehospital, we are only at 55% and will be doing more PI on this. Small group subgroup of the 7 Central hospitals to see what some of the gaps are.
IV	New Business	<p>Goals - Dr. Stacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are needs among the systems of care that mirror what Trauma System is currently looking at. Propose that a similar combined strategic plan is created to ensure we are looking at what we will be doing in months / years to keep a more focused look. Motion to adopt a strategic plan that we will review on a regular basis. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion - Dr. Stacy 2nd - Ms. Kyle No opposed
V	Open Discussion/ Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nathan Steele Foundation, Annual Skeet Shoot, May 3rd - Mr. Blalock Moving the Pendulum of Resuscitation presentation - Dr. Duchesne



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		Upcoming Meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 6, 2025 • September 5, 2025 • December 5, 2025
VI	Adjournment	Dr. Stacy adjourned the meeting at 2:39 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS			
#	Step	Responsible	Due Date
I	Reach out for representation from the insurance industry to the EMS of Future subcommittee.	Dr. Stacy	Next meeting
II	Review Critical Care Paramedic - Chapter 10	Rules & Regs / Dr. Wilson	Next meeting
III	Strategic Plan - review on a regular basis	OEMSACS/ EMSAC	Next meeting