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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING September 14, 2010

Members Present: Dr. Diane Calello, Ms. Linda Curtis, Dr. Ernest Leva, Dr. Al Sacchetti, Mr. Daniel Sullivan, Dr. Elisabeth Spector

Members Excused: Ms. Debbie Bell, Ms. MaryEllen Brock, Dr. JenFu Cheng, Dr. Mary Kamienski,

Guests: Ms. Molly Berkowitz, Mr. Steve Cohen, Ms. Diane Klemm, Ms. Janis McManus, Ms. Brenda Braun, Dr. Lisa Drago

*Department of Health
And Senior Services* Mr. Eric Hicken, Ms. Nancy Kelly-Goodstein, Ms. Kathy Lutz, Ms. Linda Woolverton, Ms. Karen Halupke

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Al Sacchetti at 10:06 a.m.

Minutes reviewed and approved for March 23, 2010 and June 8, 2010

Chairperson's Report

- EMSC National Resource Center (NRC) is hiring key positions – for more information visit www.childrensnational.org/emsc/
- The EMSC National Resource Center, in collaboration with the Alliance for Pediatric Emergency Medication Safety, has produced a series of podcasts called iPEMS – for more info visit: www.childrensnational.org/EMSC/EducationTraining/VideoAudioPodcasts.aspx
- Article published in Pre-hospital Emergency Care October 2010 - Awareness in utilization of emergency medical services by limited English proficient caregivers - article can be found at: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20809691
- Article published in Pediatrics August 2010 – Emergency Department Visits on Medical Devices Associated Adverse Events – more information can be found at: <http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/cgi/content/abstract/peds.2010-0528v1>

New Business

Site Visit Assessment and Recommendations

- The site visit conducted by the EMSC NRC was very successful; however we still have work to do in meeting many of the performance measures.
- EMSC NRC provided a Site Visit Assessment and Recommendations for the New Jersey EMSC program.
- New Jersey's EMSC Program should be able to meet the performance measures in the next few years. The statewide system redesign should help in meeting these performance measures.
- Overall the report expressed its satisfaction with New Jersey's performance.

Maternal Mortality Review Report 2002-2003

- Report and additional information can be found at:
www.nj.gov/health/fhs/professional/mortality.shtml

Legislative Activity

- No. 1519 - Defibrillators in Public Schools, introduced
- No. 1036 - Defibrillators in Public Schools, introduced pending
- No. 99 - Encourage Parents teacher associations to raise funds to acquire Defibrillators
- No. 393 –Janet’s Law

Criteria to be a Pediatric Emergency Department (Dr. Leva)

- Guidelines for care of children in the emergency department
- What would qualify a hospital to label themselves a pediatric emergency department.
- The following would be key stakeholders in the development and approval of this criteria:
 - NJ Hospital Association
 - American Academy Pediatrics
 - New Jersey Emergency Nurses Association
 - EMS Council

OEMS REPORT

EMSC Grant

- Carryover request was submitted – still waiting for approval
- Surveys will be sent to EMS agencies throughout the State in the next month to measure the types of pediatric equipment and use of medical command.
- With the survey request a Broslow tape and BLS field guide will be provided for completing the survey.
- A survey of emergency departments will follow the EMS survey. Each emergency department that completes the survey will receive a Broslow reference book.

EMSC Newsletter

- The fall newsletter will be sent by both USPS and email by November
- There should be a winter newsletter published by January

School Emergency Medical Kits

- This program is currently under review and may be discontinued.

2010 School Nurses in-Service

- This years topic is “Sign Language for Emergency Situations”
- Signing Families will be presenting along with the NJ Division of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

New Jersey Statewide Conference on EMS (Nov. 11th - 13th)

- November 10th will be the pre-conference day (this is new for 2010)
- November 11th – 13th is the main conference
- More information regarding the subject matter during the conference can be found at www.njemsconference.com
- November 12th will be the Awards Dinner

Old Business

Elections

- EMSC Council Chair and Vice Chair
- Both are three year terms

Family Representative

- One opening still remains

ED Evaluation through Simulation

- Shore Memorial is currently scheduled for October and November
- Contact has been made with several northern emergency departments; however they either schedule and cancel or choose to not participate.
- Certificates are being given to those Emergency Departments that participate in the program.
- The EMSC program currently funds the evaluators and operators.

Adjournment 12:00 pm

2011 Meeting Schedule

February 15, 2011

May 17, 2011

September 20, 2011

November 15, 2011

10:00 am to 12:00 noon

NJ Department of Health and Senior Services
John Fitch Plaza
Market and Warren Streets
HCC Conference Room 6th floor
Trenton, New Jersey