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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 16, 2006

Members Present: Dr. Frank Cunningham, Ms. Carolyn Ferolito, Dr. Alfred Sacchetti, Mr. Daniel Sullivan

Members Excused: Ms. Debra Bell, Dr. Frank Briglia, Ms. Mary Ellen Brock, Ms. Regina Broadbelt, Mr. Steven Cohen, Dr. Martin Diamond, Dr. Anthony Greenberg, Dr. Mary Kamienski, Dr. Ernest Leva

Guests: Ms. Linda Curtis, Ms. Marilyn Kent

Department of Health and Senior Services Ms. Karen Halupke, Ms. Linda Woolverton, Ms. Nancy Kelly-Goodstein, Dr. Joseph Tricarico, Jr.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Carolyn Ferolito at 10:15 a.m.

Minutes reviewed and approved for February 21, 2006.

Chairperson's Report No Report

OEMS Report

- Reorganization of the Department and OEMS
 - Joseph Tricarico, Jr. the new Assistant Commissioner (Health Infrastructure Preparedness Bureau under Dave Gruber (Health Infrastructure Preparedness and Emergency Response)
 - Reorganization inside the office reported by Karen Halupke
 - Licensure-Bill Duffy
 - System Operations Compliance/Preparedness-Chuck McSweeney
 - Education/Certification-Bob Dinetz
 - Regulatory Officer-Sam Stewart
 - EMS Special Populations/Services- Nancy Kelly-Goodstein
 - EMSC Grant
 - NJ Pies Grant
 - JEMSTAR Grant
 - Pediatric and Trauma Registries

- OEMS moving to main Health Building early Fall
- 4 vacancies in OEMS (hiring freeze)
- Requested 2007 Budget (HRSA funds)
 - 6 Baby Sims
 - 10 Mega Code Kids
 - \$400,000 for Medical Kits for schools
 - Will introduce kit at school nurses in-service this fall
 - Distribute to as many schools as we can
 - Districts will have to apply for kits
 - Manufacturers instructions included for all equipment/supplies
 - Request for additional funds to purchase more
 - Kits can be:
 - Relocated during an evacuation
 - Utilized for a mass casualty event
 - Utilized for minor emergencies on a day-to-day basis
 - Rolling suit case design
 - Cost estimated to be \$1000.00
- State Funding for EMSC
 - Level past few years at \$200,000 (\$50,000 as a line-item appropriation and \$150,000 from the Health Care Subsidy Fund)
 - Requesting an increase to \$250,000 for
 - Staff (salaries, overhead and fringe)
 - Cost of program expenses (computer connection, phones, etc.)
 - Mileage/Tolls for day-to-day travel
 - Printing (ambulance posters, etc.)
- 2006 Spring Newsletter currently being mailed
 - Looking for topics for the fall edition - please contact Eric

Old Business

- EMSC Conference – merged with State EMS Conference (Sheraton, Atlantic City, November 2-4, 2006)
 - Topics and presenters are set
 - Topics range from caring for the newborn to pediatric decontamination
 - Friday – November 3rd, Commissioner Jacobs will be opening the conference
 - EMSC topics will be offered throughout Friday and Saturday
- Annual EMS Awards Dinner will be held on Friday – November 3rd

New Business

- Expansion of EMSC Advisory Council membership
 - Legislation mandates a minimum of 14 members (can increase membership through a by-law change)

- Potential new members to include:
 - NJ DOE
 - NJ DHS
 - Injury prevention
 - EMS Physician
 - Trauma
 - Parent Representative (special needs child)
- Suggestions for future meetings
 - Members serve for two years, then off one year, then can be reappointed
 - Younger members (new to the field)
 - Attendance - chair to send a letter out after a member misses two meetings (without sending a designee)
- NJ Domestic Preparedness Task Force – School Sector meeting
 - New group – Nancy Kelly-Goodstein to attend (second meeting on 5/18/06)
 - School safety procedures
 - Pandemic Flu plans
- National Grantee Meeting
 - June 19-22, 2006
 - Silver Spring, MD
 - MaryEllen Brock attending as the parent rep
 - Will prepare a report on the meeting for the Council at the August meeting

Meeting adjourned at 12:30

Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 15, 2006
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
979 East Avenue
Mantoloking, NJ

Tuesday, November 21, 2006
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
NJ Hospital Association
760 Alexander Road, Princeton