

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION

EMS for Children Advisory Committee

Department of Public Health and Social Services

Health Professional Licensing/EMS Office

Thursday, July 22, 2021 10:00 A.M.

VIRTUAL – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Access Code: 221-369-885

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Kevin T. San Nicolas, Chairperson;
- Dorothy Duenas, GCC, Vice-Chair;
- Cherika Chargualaf, GFD e-911, Treasurer;
- Daren Burrier, Member;
- Margaret Bell, CDR Coordinator, Member;
- Julietta Quinene, GDOE Member;
- Mark Guayco, GMH, Member;
- Dr. Frankie Mendiola, GMH;
- Tom Manglona, Member;
- Dr. Joleen Aguon, Member;
- Dr. Kinney Bradley (LCDR);
- Dr. Robert Leon Guerrero, Member;
- Arthur Paulino, Member;
- Dr. Seung Young Huh, Member;
- Cil Javier, DPW Office of Highway & Safety;

OTHERS PRESENT:

- Robert Weinberg, Assistant Attorney General;
- Ginny Serrano, Access Medical Transport
- Ian, Access Medical Transport
- Yolanda Topasna, GCC
- Joey Manibusan, GFD
- Pauline Camacho, Family Advocate DPHSS;
- TC Howard
- Charles K. Tanner, Public Health
- Buentipo, Betty Ann D.
- Dan Ordanez, MMR
- Dr. Emily Raetz
- Angel B. Llagas Jr.
- Dr. Carl Von Trampe, ED Director at GRMC
- Natasha Charfauros (Speaker Terlaje’s Office)
- Eric James Francisco, Private Ambulance;
- Peter Santos, KUAM;
- Gerry Partido, PNC;
- Zennia Pecina, HPLO Admin;
- Sharon Manibusan, HPLO;
- Breanna Sablan, HPLO;
- Deborah Borja, HPLO;
- Eddy Reyes, FTFC;
- Chantay Benitez, FTFC;

TOPIC		DECISION(S) / ACTION(S) MADE	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	REPORTING TIMEFRAME	STATUS
I.	CALL TO ORDER	CALLED TO ORDER: 10:16 AM.	CHAIR	10:16	Confirmed
II.	CONFIRMATION OF PUBLICATION	Proof of Publication. PDN: 07/15/2021 PDN: 07/20/2021	CHAIR	10:16	Confirmed

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III.	ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS	Virtual Roll Call	CHAIR	10:17	Confirmed
IV.	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA	Adoption of Agenda <i>Motion: D. Duenas 2nd: M. Bell</i>	CHAIR	10:19	Approved
V.	REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Approval of minutes dated April 22, 2021. <i>Motion: C. Chargualaf 2nd: D. Duenas</i>	CHAIR	10:24	Approved
VI.	HPLO WEBSITE https://guamhplo.org and https://guamems.org	A. HPLO Website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Launched - HPLO shared how the website looks to the Board members. - HPLO will be launching a Press Release soon to get more attention to the website. B. EMS Website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Launched - Chairperson reviewed and reported it is pretty nice. - HPLO says if there are any additions the Board would like to put on the website, contact them. - HPLO is trying to get photos of the EMS members. - There is an active listing of EMTs and it is still a work in progress. 	HPLO Administrator	10:27	Noted
VII.	ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT	A. Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Frankie Mendiola, Medical Director GMHA representing EMS. HPLO is working with Dr. Aguon to get a permanent Medical Director. B. Website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Website is mandated and currently a work in progress. C. Live Stream and Agenda Posting Requirement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The new law requires a live stream of all Board meetings. Additionally, all Boards are required to post the Agenda in the same advertisement for the Board meeting notices. D. Rules and Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asst AG Weinberg is still reviewing the current draft. He will provide an update as soon as he can. 	HPLO Administrator	10:32	Noted

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		- HPLO will share the Protocols for paramedic, which is over 1,000 pages.			
VIII.	OLD BUSINESS	<p>A. AGENCY REPORTS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Medical Director's Report USNH <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dr. Emily Raetz reported no issues at USNH. 2. GMHA <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Mark Guayco reported no issues at GMH. b. There are open positions in the Emergency Departments. Any interested applicants can send information to GMH. c. GMH would like to thank GFD and Dispatch for assisting with communications when it comes to diversion. GMH reported that they are doing way better. 3. Guam Community College <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. D. Duenas reported GCC is currently providing the Paramedic Program, which started July 2020 and had two onsite skills courses held at GCC. Participants did lab skills in preparation for paramedic clinicals on campus in lab rooms. b. The School of EMS faculty flew out to Guam to assist students with skills training. A majority was done online and one more onsite training to occur in relation to the field internships on their final skills review and testing. c. GCC is working with GRMC and GMH to have paramedic participants to do clinicals at the hospitals. They are finalizing all logistics and requirements for students to do their clinical skills with GMH and GRMC. Viki Lamay is the Director for Clinical school of EMS. Hopefully they will get a member of School of EMS to supervise students doing field internships. d. It is very important for the EMS Commission and Members to review EMS Protocols and review Paramedic Protocols for students and future completers of this program. Once they are certified, the 	EMS	10:33	Noted

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		<p>Commission wants them to be able to perform as Paramedics and ensure all Protocols are in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> e. GCC needs Paramedic instructors flying out to observe the students. They need to establish parameters or protocols for them so students can do clinical and field internships to be certified and licensed here in Guam. f. There is also interest to run another EMT Course in the Fall so a lot of faculties who are currently in the Paramedic Program and other potential faculty plan to help GCC with teaching these EMT courses. GCC is in the process of finalizing this faculty. g. Overall students are doing great. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Guam Dept. of Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No representative to report. 5. MCH/DPHSS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. M. Bell reported working on an MCH Grant due September 1. b. The new data clerk is helping with the backlog. c. Public Health nurses are still doing the testing and vaccinations. Public Health is pleading with the public to get their vaccines. 6. DPW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Cil Javier reported no issues at this time. 7. Homeland Security (No rep.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. No representative at this time. 8. EMS for Children Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Breanna Sablan reported that HPLO was able to purchase medical equipment for the EMT courses or paramedic courses intended to take place within the year. b. HPLO has funding from last grant year which enables it to support GFD and GDOE as far as training and medical equipment. 			
		B. EMS LIFE SAVING AWARD – Nomination Period	EMS	10:51	Noted

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Because COVID, there is a new date for submissions. Focus and resources have shifted. HPLO is proposing an October date to start the new fiscal year. - Board agreed unanimously to move packet submissions to October. - There's a packet sent a while back to be completed by anybody interested in nominating someone. HPLO will forward that to all members again. 			
		<p>C. EMT of the Year- Nomination Packet/Period</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Board agreed unanimously to move any awards in the EMS realm to October. 	EMS	10:54	Noted
		<p>D. Policies and Protocol Booklet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EMS Commission is still using the 2007 EMS Revised Protocol. They created a document of updates and revisions and shared that with all members to update the Policies and Protocol. They hope to get this ironed out before the end of the year. - The Commission would like to create a Sub-Committee to move forward on this. It is a lot of work. They will coordinate via email. - Tom from GRM Fire suggests that the Commission make sure there are no gaps between the new Protocols and the GRM and Navy's new Protocols. The Marine Corps plans to have six new paramedics by the start of the new fiscal year. 	EMS	10:55	Noted
		<p>E. Paramedic Program update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - See report under GCC update in Old Business. 	EMS	11:06	Noted
		<p>F. Ambulance diversion policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the past, the Commission came to an agreement with GMH and GRMC. One issue is the renewal of the diversion policy that is to be made via email to E911 system to ensure they are aware of the diversion and the call. - Other issues are technical problems. Hopefully, the Commission can move forward to submit emails and keep statistics on which hospitals divert. Hopefully, diversions can be mitigated. 	EMS	11:06	Noted


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		<p>Hopefully, with EMS team services, it has been working out for each hospital.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GMH has been sending the conversion forms to the email address provided ongoing since 2018-19 collecting diversion forms and sending them to the email address. - GRMC didn't know they were supposed to email the diversion forms. The forms purpose was to keep hospitals informed. The email to send the forms to is 911center.guam@gmail.com. 			
		<p>G. Interfacility transfer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GMH has had no issues so far. Supervisors are primarily coordinating with Dispatch. Emergency patients have had no problems thus far. - GRMC reports no issue with clinics and they are working with them on their side. - If there are any issues in the future, then there should be a specific conversation with GFD and the hospitals. 	EMS	11:10	Noted
		<p>H. Rules and Regs- Update including fees and fines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asst AG Weinberg is working on the revisions sent to him. Angel has been working with Asst AG Weinberg to review and approve the draft. - HPLO will share all updates with the document so far to all Members. 	EMS	11:14	Noted
		<p>I. National Pediatric Readiness Survey mailed out to GMHA, GRMC Due June 1, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hospitals submitted on time and were able to get the data they needed for their surveys. 	EMS	11:16	Noted
IX.	NEW BUSINESS	<p>A. Star of Life/Ambulance Markings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are Non-Emergent Unit Transports that need to be distinguished by the Public. For public information, the Star of Life/Ambulance Markings is used to identify only Authorized Emergency Vehicles. This is for Emergency Transfer of patients to and from pick up point and destination. Non-Emergent Unit Transports are not authorized to provide emergency transport. 	EMS	11:17	Noted


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	<p>Currently the only authorized vehicles are under Naval Hospital, Anderson, and GFD.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HPLO referenced the Public Law 10 GCA Ch. 84 and 26 GAR Ch. 6, and the KKK-A-1822F which is the Federal specification for the Star of Life. - AMT is not a certified emergency vehicle. EMS does not want to confuse the public who may misinterpret their units as emergency transfer vehicles. Other companies are identified as non-emergency transport as well. 			
	<p>B. Emergency Medical Dispatcher</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No updates or issues to report. Movements and divert notifications have been smooth. Dispatch is excited about getting closer to the new 911 system. 	EMS	11:25	Noted
	<p>C. Paramedic Protocols- School of EMS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - See report under GCC update in Old Business. 	EMS	11:26	Noted
	<p>D. EMS/Pediatric Conference tentatively scheduled for 07/22 & 07/23 (postponed until 08/19 & 08/20, 2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HPLO can forward an email with an agenda planned for that training. 	EMS	11:27	Noted
	<p>E. Pediatric Equipment: (8) End Users virtual training with vendor JMI Edison will need to take place at 9:00 a.m</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HPLO will be using pediatric equipment for the end users virtual training which will take place 8/3 9am-11am 12pm-2pm. - The following Commission members volunteer: D. Duenas, C. Chargualaf, Dr. R L.G., and M. Guayco or ER Staff Nurse Representative 	EMS	11:31	Noted
	<p>F. Ambulance Inspections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No updates at this time. GMH is pending. Hopefully will get a date for next week. a. RECERTIFICATION: Guam Fire Department, Marianas Medical Response and Access Medical Transport <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AGUON, JESSE 2. AGUON, RICHARD 3. ALMARIO, GILBERT J. 	EMS	11:31	Approved

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	4. ARCEO, BENJAMIN 5. ARTERO, VINCENT P. R. 6. ATOIGUE, DANIEL 7. BLACKMAN IV, GORDON 8. CALVO, GREGORIO 9. CARBULLIDO, JOHN 10. CASTRO, ALEXANDER 11. CASTRO, RONALD 12. CHACO, JESSE 13. CHARFAUROS, PETER JOSE 14. CEPEDA II, RODNEY 15. CRUZ, AARON J. 16. DIEGO, TERENCE M. 17. FEJERAN, MICHAEL 18. FLORES, PATRICK T. 19. GARRIDO, JOEY 20. HERNANDEZ, BRANDON 21. IBANEZ, STANLEY 22. KURANAMI, TOMI S. - CIV 23. LAGUANA, VAUN ELIAS T. 24. LEON GUERRERO, FRAIM 25. LUJAN, PETER JOHN 26. MANGLONA, JOSHUA 27. MANGLONA, SHAWN 28. MARTINEZ, PETER 29. MENDIOLA JR., RONALD 30. MENDIOLA, TYRONE 31. MESA, GEORGE 32. MILES, DAVID 33. MUNA, JOHN ANTHONY 34. NEDEDOG, JONATHAN 35. PALACIOS, MEZEKIEL 36. PAUL, BRYAN 37. PABLO, JASON			

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		38. PEREDA, JOSHUA REY 39. QUINATA, ANDY 40. QUINATA, JERIC 41. SABLAN, MICHAEL 42. SABLAN, JOCELYN 43. SAN NICOLAS, ARTHUR T. 44. SARGENT, SHAWN ALLEN 45. SIONGCO, KEN VINCENT 46. TABUNAR, JERIC JEROME - CIV 47. TAITINGFONG JR. JOSE 48. TENORIO, GERARDO 49. TENORIO, ROLAND V. 50. TORRES, NATHAN 51. TOSCO JR., BELTRAN 52. TOVES, PAUL M. 53. TUDELA, LEONARDO R. T. 54. CONCEPCION, THOMAS II 55. CHENG, YANG – CIV 56. CONCEPCION, THOMAS III 57. ESCAMILLA, ANDREW 58. FRANCISCO, ERIC J. – CIV 59. GOGUE, LANCE K. – CIV 60. INVENCION, JAMES R. – CIV 61. MANGLONA, JACOB S. 62. ORDANEZ, DAN IVAN N. – CIV 63. SANNICOLAS, JOEY C. - The Commission has no issues or objections to the recertifications above.			
IX.	OTHER BUSINESS	A. Annual Board Orientation/ Ethics Training - Rescheduled for August. Tentative dates will be sent. This is live but will be available virtually. This is mandatory and required by law for all Commission and Board members and representatives. B. e-911 Email Center	EMS	11:32	Noted

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		- The email for e-911 center is 911center.guam@gmail.com .			
X.	ANNOUNCEMENT	The next Emergency Medical Services Commission Regular Session Meeting is scheduled for 08/26/2021 at 10:00 a.m. via GoToMeeting. Details to follow at a later date.	EMS	11:34	Noted
XI.	ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at: 11:36. <i>Motion: M. Bell 2nd: Dr. Von Trampe</i>	EMS	11:36	Noted

Reviewed by:  08/26/2021 Secretary / Date

Approved by:  8/26/2021 Chairperson / Date

Minutes By: Chantay Benitez, FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.