

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION

EMS for Children Advisory Committee

January 26, 2023

VIRTUAL REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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MINUTES

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| I | CALL TO ORDER | Meeting chaired by: Vice-Chair J. Quinene | Chair | 1038 | Called to Order | |
| II | CONFIRMATION OF PUBLICATION | Proof of Publication. PDN: 1/19/2023 and 1/23/2023 | HPLO | 1038 | Confirmed | |
| III | ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM | <p>MEMBERS PRESENT</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kevin T. San Nicolas, Chairperson</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julietta Quinene, Vice-Chairperson</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cherika Mateo, Treasurer</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margaret Bell, Secretary</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daren Burrier, GFD Member</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> , GMH, Member</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frankie Mendiola, M.D., GMH</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tom Manglona, Member</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Bradley Kinney, M.D. (LCDR)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Leon Guerrero, M.D., Member</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Arthur Paulino, Member</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cecilia Javier, DPW Office of Fire & Safety</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Alexander E Wielaard, M.D.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sarah Haley-Wein</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dorothy Duenas, GCC</p> | Zennia Pecina, HPLO Breanna Sablan, HPLO Sharon Manibusan, HPLO Jenni Bruan Angel Llagas Eddy Reyes, FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc. | Chair | 1039 | Quorum Established |
| IV | ELECTIONS: CHARIPERSON, VICE CHAIRPERSON, | <p>The following summarizes the results of the Election of Officers:</p> <p>1. Nominations for Chair: D. Duenas (by C. Mateo); C. Mateo (by D. Duenas). <i>Approved by majority vote D. Duenas, as Chairperson</i> (D. Burrier; J. Quinene; C. Mateo; M. Bell). (NOTE: for C. Mateo: D. Duenas; Dr. Leon Guerrero)</p> <p>2. Nominations for Vice-Chairperson: C. Mateo (by M. Bell)</p> | EMSC | 1040 | Elected New Officers | |

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| | SECRETARY, TREASURER | <p><i>Approved C. Mateo as Vice-Chairperson</i></p> <p>3. Nominations for Secretary: M. Bell (by D. Duenas) <i>Approved M. Bell as Secretary.</i></p> <p>4. Nominations for Treasurer: J. Quinene (by M. Bell) <i>Approved J. Quinene as Treasurer.</i></p> <p>NOTE: From this point forward in the Agenda, the meeting was chaired by D. Duenas, newly-elected Chairperson</p> | | | |
| V | REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA | <p>Adoption of Agenda <i>Motion to approve: M. Bell: 2nd: C. Mateo.</i></p> | EMSC | 1047 | Unanimously Approved |
| VI | REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES | <p>Meeting 9/22/2022 minutes <i>Motion to approve: C. Mateo: 2nd: J. Quinene.</i></p> | Chair | 1048 | Unanimously Approved |
| VII | ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT | <p>Z. Pecina stated that the Speaker has requested the EMSC provide testimony on Bill No. 10-37(COR) which is AN ACT RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRST RESPONDER, AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ACCESS TO NALOXONE TO PREVENT OPIOID OVERDOSE, INCLUDING FENTANYL, TO BE KNOWN AS "THE GUAM OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2023," BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 16 TO DIVISION I, TITLE 10, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED.</p> <p>1. Z. Pecina stated that, from the DPHSS perspective, DPHSS will support the bill with comments. Upon the request of Z. Pecina, the following comments were provided:</p> <p>a. Dr. Mendiola stated that it has been his experience that there are very few incidents to indicate that there is a major problem in Guam. He stated that, although the protocol to address use of Naloxone has been updated, he is concerned with the medication being administered by untrained personnel, especially in recognizing the symptoms of opioid overdose versus those with other underlying health conditions in order to prevent patient harm (patients losing consciousness for other reasons, e.g., hypo-glycemia). In addition, he expressed concern with the side-effects of Naloxone especially if patients have other health-related issues. Z. Pecina provided an overview of the few incidents of potential opioid overdoses from 2015-2022. Dr. Mendiola further stated that, in comparison to the opioid problems in U.S. mainland, Guam does not have the same problems, e.g., EMS is responsive and has shorter travel distances to hospitals. Given</p> | HPLO Administrator | 1051 | EMSC to provide testimony to Bill 10-37 |

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| | | <p>the low incident rates, he expressed concern of procuring medications that may not be utilized in a timely manner and would subsequently expire on-the-shelf.</p> <p>b. Dr. Leon Guerrero stated that he would need more time to review the proposed bill. In general, he would be interested in knowing who would provide the funding and who would be able to administer the medication. He stated that he would be more concerned with application of injectables versus a nasal spray; and suggested a study be initiated prior to the expenditure of funds.</p> <p>c. D. Burier stated the nasal spray applications are more commonly used by public safety personnel in the U.S. mainland, which could be extended to GPD personnel. However, with the low incident rates on Guam, he does not perceive the medication being used on a wide-scale on Guam. He expressed concern on the potential adverse impact of contraindications.</p> <p>d. J. Quinene inquired if training and use of medications would be extended to the school nurses and, if so, funding would be required.</p> <p>e. Z. Pecina extended her appreciation for the initial comments and stated that she would inform the Speaker of EMSC intentions to provide testimony on Bill 10-37.</p> | | | |
| VIII | LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT | | OAG Not present | 1106 | No Report |
| IX | COMMITTEE REPORT | A. Statues, Rules and Regulations – Update for Chapter 84 Discussion on newly passed law P.L 36-121 | EMSC | 1106 | No Comments |
| | | B. Policies and Protocol Booklet. | ESMC | 1107 | No Update |
| | | C. Ambulance Diversion Policy and Interfacility Transfer. | ESMC | 1108 | No Comments |
| X | OLD BUSINESS | <p>A. AGENCY REPORTS:</p> <p>1. Medical Director’s Report USNH – not present.</p> <p>2. GMHA – Dr. Mendiola reported that Alvin Dela Cruz will succeed Mark Guayco on the EMSC; however, he was unable to attend this meeting. Z. Pecina encouraged participation via zoom; however, a request to participate via Zoom must be sent to the Chair.</p> <p>3. Guam Community College (Paramedic Program Update):</p> <p>a. A. Llagas reported that 38 students successfully completed the EMS program with two (2) pending static cardiology test. GCC is working with the School of EMS is working to establish a paramedic program. Currently there are 14</p> | Agency Representatives | 1109 | Noted Updates. Add GMRC presentation to the Feb 2023 Agenda |

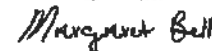
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| | | <p>individuals paramedic-certified; 8 have taken the National Registry Advanced Emergency Medical Technician exam.</p> <p>b. D. Duenas stated that GCC is working with the School of EMS on the next phase of the paramedic program accreditation. The next step to schedule a training for EMS Train-the-Trainer to eventually become paramedic instructors. GCC started a new EMS 103 EMT course with 13 students, who will take their EMT exam in May 2023.</p> <p>4. Guam Dept. of Education – J. Quinene reported middle and high schools are in the process of catching up with immunization requirements. She inquired about funding availability for Pediatric Emergency Assessment, Recognition and Stabilization (PEARS) and instructor courses for school nurses. Z. Pecina recommended that funding be discussed separately since she is also seeking funding for Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS).</p> <p>5. MCH/DPHSS – no update</p> <p>6. DPW – not present. Z. Pecina stated she will seek a new representative from DPW.</p> <p>7. GPD – not present (representative assigned to command post duty during this meeting).</p> <p>8. EMS for Children Program / Ambulance Inspections – B. Sablan reported that the EMS for Children’s Grant application was submitted and is awaiting approval from the grantor, Health Resources and Services Administration. In addition, she is in the process of coordinating pediatric emergency training with GFD and GMHA.</p> <p>9. Emergency Medical Dispatcher –C. Mateo reported the dispatchers will be trained in March 2023 on the NG911, which is anticipated to be operational in April 2023. Six (6) new dispatchers will be completing their training soon. Furthermore, ride-along training will occur in February, followed by the National Registry Emergency Medical Response testing, and the remainder mandated training in preparation for on-the-job training.</p> <p>10. GRMC – not present. D. Burier reported that GMRC donated glucometers and agreed to provide replacement test strips and lancets.</p> <p>B. Z. Pecina reported that GMRC requested to provide a presentation at the February 2023 meeting.</p> | | | |
| XI | New Business | <p>A. Licensing of NREMT- Paramedic Burien inquired about the required licensing requirements, such as Basic Life Support -4 (BLS), ACLS, and Pediatric Advance Life Support (PALS). The Chair stated that it would be beneficial to the applicant to have the BLS, ALCS and PALS certifications since</p> | EMSC | 1121 | No update |

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| | <p>it is taught in the curriculum and it is required for nurses and other healthcare professionals. J. Quinene stated that, if determined a requirement, then she suggested that the initial certification could be funded through a grant program. D. Burien stated that he would discuss this issue with Dr. Ross.</p> <p>B. Certifications. 1. Angel B. Llagas Jr. – Paramedic – GFD</p> <p>C. EMS Week Planning Committee. C. Mateo stated that would coordinate a meeting with the Committee, through S. Manibusan and B. Sablan.</p> <p>D. EMS Conference. The Conference is planned for May 21-22, 2023</p> <p>E. EMSC Survey. A. Llagas reported that the survey is completed. The Chair stated that this item will be removed from future agendas.</p> | | | <p>Noted</p> <p>Planning Committee to Meet</p> <p>Date Set</p> <p>Completed</p> |
| XII | ANNOUNCEMENT | | | |
| | Next Regular Board meeting will be held on February 23, 2023, 1000hours. | EMSC | 1128 | Set Date |
| XIII | ADJOURNMENT | | | |
| | Motion to Adjourn: C. Mateo; 2 nd : J. Quinene. | EMSC | 1131 | Adjourned |

Minutes Drafted by: FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.

Date Submitted: 1/27/2023

Submitted by the EMSC Secretary:

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Date: 2/27/2023

Approved by the EMSC with or without changes:



Date: 2/28/23

Certified by or Attested by the Chairperson:



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