

EMSC Advisory Committee Friday, 11/20/15, 8:00 am – 9:30 am, WebEx

Present: Kate Remick, Sherry Santa, Manish Shah, Craig Huang, Brent Kaziny, Charles Macias, Ramsey Tate, Julie Ketelsen, Ed Norman, Pam Dwyer, Rohit Shenoj, Sally Snow, Debbie Wiederhold, Lori Vinson, Sam Vance

Desired Outcomes:

- Introduce the new FAN Representative and new addition to the State Partnership Grant
- Discuss changes to the national EMSC Program and how that will affect us
- Discuss the EICC and new HRSA Performance Measures and how that will affect us
- List next steps for the Injury Prevention Workgroup
- List next steps for the Disaster Preparedness Workgroup
- List next steps in the Pediatric Facility Recognition Program
- List next steps in the Pediatric EMS Recognition Program
- Update on the State Champions Pilot Project
- List next steps in the development of a non-profit foundation
- List next steps in development of the CYSHCN class

| What | How | Who | Time |
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| Introductions | Welcome and introductions Introduce new FAN representative Introduce new Associate Director of the State Partnership Grant | Sam Vance/Group Sherry Santa Dr. Shah/Dr. Tate | 15 minutes 8:00 – 8:15 |
| EMSC Innovation and Improvement Center and New EMSC Performance Measures | Discuss changes to the EMSC Program at the national level New performance measures | Dr. Macias Sam Vance | 20 minutes 8:15 – 8:35 |
| Injury Prevention Workgroup | Update on work being performed by the Injury Prevention Workgroup Determine next steps | Dr. Shenoj | 5 minutes 8:35 – 8:40 |
| Disaster Preparedness Workgroup | Update on work being performed by the Disaster Preparedness Workgroup Determine next steps | Dr. Kaziny | 5 minutes 8:40 – 8:45 |
| Pediatric Facility Recognition Program | Update on work being performed by the Facility Recognition Workgroup Determine next steps | Dr. Remick | 10 minutes 8:45 – 8:55 |
| Pediatric EMS Recognition Program | Update on work being performed by the EMS Recognition Workgroup Determine next steps | Sam Vance | 5 minutes 8:55 – 9:00 |
| State Champions Pilot Project | Update on work being done by the ENA with the State Champions Pilot Project | Sally Snow | 10 minutes 9:00 – 9:10 |
| EMSC Foundation and Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs Class | Update on work being performed toward developing an EMSC non-profit foundation and the CYSHCN class | Liz Yankiver | 10 minutes 9:10 – 9:20 |
| Wrap up and Adjourn | Discussion of other items brought forward by the group | Group | 10 minutes 9:20 – 9:30 |

Highlighted areas are ACTION ITEMS.

Introductions

- Introductions were made and desired outcomes were reviewed. Sherry Santa with Texas Parent to Parent was introduced as the new Family Advocate for the Texas State Partnership as Debbie Wiederhold has resigned due to personal commitments. Dr. Shah introduced Dr. Ramsey Tate as the new Associate Director of the EMSC State Partnership, Texas. Dr. Tate is a new pediatric emergency medicine physician at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.

EMSC Innovations and Improvement Center (EIIC) and New Performance Measures

- Dr. Macias reported that HRSA has chosen to sunset the current EMSC National Resource Center and will be replacing it with the new EIIC. The EIIC will provide consultative and technical support to help EMSC Program grant recipients to develop and implement Quality Improvement (QI) strategies to improve pediatric emergency medical services throughout the entire continuum of care in both prehospital and hospital care settings. Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) in Houston is submitting an application for this grant with Dr. Macias as the Principal Investigator. The AAP will be submitting exclusively with BCM as a Co-Investigator. BCM has also received formal support/endorsement from the National EMSC Data Analysis Resource Center (NEDARC). The grant should be awarded between March and May 2016, with the EIIC beginning July 1, 2016.
- Sam Vance reported that re-application for the State Partnership Grant will take place in late summer or early fall of 2016. HRSA has developed three new performance measures that will be part of the new grant.
 - Current performance measures numbered 71 thru 73 are being discontinued and will be replaced by three new ones.
 - PM 1 will address EMS agencies being compliant with submitting data to the National EMS Information System (NEMSIS)
 - Per State EMS Director, Joe Schmider by rule all Texas EMS agencies and the state trauma data bank has to be NEMSIS and NTDB compliant by January 1, 2017.
 - PM 2 will address EMS agencies having a pediatric care coordinator.
 - PM 3 will address prehospital personnel being able to demonstrate proper use of pediatric-specific equipment.
 - The link below includes information regarding Performance Measures for the EMSC Grant Year beginning March 1, 2017. The list of EMSC Performance Measures are located on pages 99-125.
 - <http://mchb.hrsa.gov/dgis.pdf>
 - Public Comments on the Measures are being accepted through January 5, 2016.
 - paperwork@hrsa.gov
- NEDARC has chosen to re-open the National Pediatric Readiness Project (NPRP) portal.
 - Hospitals that submitted data in 2013 can resubmit and compare new results to old.
 - Hospitals that did not submit in 2013 can submit new data and receive a gap analysis and readiness score.
 - The portal will be open for approximately 10 months.
 - EAC members are encouraged to make this announcement at their Regional Advisory Council (RAC) meetings.

Injury Prevention Workgroup – Dr. Shenoi

- The Texas Pediatric Society hopes to introduce two bills during the next legislative session.
 - Texting and driving ban
 - Requirement of four-sided fences around swimming pools
 - The YMCA of Houston is helping to coordinate efforts in their area.
- The Injury Prevention Committee of GETAC has developed a resource document to help communities enhance their injury prevention programs.
 - The document is on the GETAC website.
 - Public comment is requested on the document.
- Texas Children's Hospital in Houston has been chosen as a site to report to the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) National Electronic Injury Surveillance System (NEISS).
 - This is a national probability sample of hospitals in the U.S. and its territories. Patient information is collected from each NEISS hospital for every emergency visit involving an injury associated with consumer products. From this sample, the total number of product-related injuries treated in hospital emergency rooms nationwide can be estimated.
 - Cook Children's Hospital in Fort Worth has been a participant in this program for the past 20-years.
 - If anyone knows of other hospitals in Texas that participate in this program, please bring it to Dr. Shenoi's attention.
 - Dr. Shenoi will inquire about Texas aggregate data.
- Dr. Shenoi has requested injury data for 2014 from DSHS.
- Sally Snow reported on the drowning prevention collaborative Cook Children's has with the Fort Worth Fire Department.
 - Sally will send information on the Peaks and Ladders program which includes information on drowning prevention and other activities.
- Cook Children's, Fort Worth Fire Department, and the Fort Worth Firefighter Charities Peaks and Ladders Program received the J.C. Montgomery Child Safety Award at the State Capitol today.

Disaster Preparedness Workgroup – Dr. Kaziny

- The geo-mapping project has been put on hold.
- Recently attended a national pediatric disaster preparedness conference where other states were inquiring about the geo-mapping project.
 - Letters will be drafted soon and sent to lead institutions by RAC.
 - Networking tool should be created and the process should begin.
- The infectious disease wing at Texas Children’s Hospital’s West Campus opened Wednesday November 18, 2015. This is not only the largest pediatric unit of its kind, but the largest of any hospital, adult or pediatric.

Pediatric Facility Recognition Program – Dr. Remick

- The goal is to continue to move forward with the facility recognition program in Texas.
- The Texas EMS and Trauma Acute Care Foundation (TETAF) is working with the State Partnership to collaborate on the facility recognition program.
 - Sam Vance and Kate Remick met with the leadership of TETAF recently to make a formal presentation.
 - Sam Vance set up a conference call with program managers from Illinois and Arizona to present a well-established program and a new program to TETAF as well as answer their questions.
 - TETAF leadership is excited to participate in this initiative and will present to their board of directors at a future meeting.
 - Lori Vinson, Chair of the TETAF Pediatric Committee, will address the facility recognition program at their board meeting tomorrow night, November 21st.

Pediatric EMS Recognition Program – Sam Vance

- Funding for the decals fell through until after the beginning of the new fiscal year. Initiation of the pilot program in the Amarillo region has been put on hold until March 2016.
 - Sam Vance and Joe Schmider will kick-off the EMS Recognition Program in RAC A at their general membership meeting on March 17, 2016.

State Champions Pilot Project – Sally Snow

- The ENA/EMSC State Champions pilot project met November 11, 2015 in Des Plains, Illinois. The pilot consists of the states of Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Colorado, and Louisiana. This initial meeting was very productive with quarterly reports to be produced.

EMSC Foundation and Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs Class – Liz Yankiver

- Liz was unable to make the meeting due to a family emergency.
- Sam Vance reported that Liz has volunteered to lead the efforts in the development of a non-profit EMS for Children foundation for Texas.
 - A conference call was held with Rhonda Phillipi, Program Manager from Tennessee, as they have a well-developed foundation. Lots of good information was obtained from this call.
- Debbie Wiederhold reported that she met with Sam and Liz to discuss the CSHCN class.
 - Two classes are being planned for 2016.
 - Austin
 - Dallas
 - Sally Snow recommended the RAC E offices in Arlington be used as a class site for the Dallas class.

Wrap Up and Adjourn

- Sam Vance recently visited RACs K and D in San Angelo and Abilene. He delivered a total of 73 neonatal BVM’s to EMS agencies and emergency departments that were in need.
 - There are still approximately two cases of neo-natal BVM’s left. If you know of anyone who needs them, please have them contact Sam.
- Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine (MIH-CP) is becoming increasingly popular across the United States in the adult community and is just starting to be developed in some areas for pediatrics.
 - The Pediatric Emergency Care Council of the National Association of State EMS Officials (PECC NASEMSO) has been asked by the NASEMSO MIH-CP committee to develop a pediatric component to be distributed nationally.
 - The Medical Directors Committee of GETAC has developed a task force to address the issue of MIH-CP.
 - Dr. Remick and Charles Jacquith of the Pediatric Committee are on this task force to ensure that pediatric issues are addressed.
 - Dr. Shah reported that the National EMS Advisory Committee (NEMSAC) has listed this topic as one of their top priorities.

NEXT MEETING: February 10, 2016 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm. Wyndham Gardens Hotel, Austin, TX