



Suffolk REMAC

Suffolk Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

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This meeting summary will not be considered final until formally approved at the September 29, 2026 meeting.

Meeting Summary

July 21, 2026

Hospitals / Physician Members-at-Large Represented:

See Attendance List

Non-Voting Members Present:

See Attendance List

EMS Division Staff Present:

See Attendance List

Sub-Committee Meeting Attendance:

See Attendance List

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1815 by Chairman Dr. Marshall, presiding. The pledge was recited and there was a moment of silence.

There was a presentation from Matthew Muldoon from eBridge who gave a presentation on the platform.

The acting secretary took roll call of attendees and determined that a quorum was present, and official business could be conducted.

Chairperson's Motions:

- Dr. Marshall asked for a motion to approve the May 26, 2026, minutes as distributed. Dr. Acosta made the motion to approve, seconded by Dr. Winslow. The motion passed without opposition.

Chairperson's Report:

- Dr. Marshall welcomed two new EMS fellows that are completing their fellowships with Stony Brook this year.

Vice Chairperson's Report:

- No report.

Second Vice Chair's Report:

- No report.

Correspondence:

- None

EMS Division Report

- The EMS Division reports were deferred until the end of the meeting to bridge REMAC and REMSCO.

REMSCO Report- Ed Boyd:

- No report, REMSCO meeting to follow.

Subcommittee Reports:

Bylaws (Dr. Coyne excused, Dr. Marshall reported)

- Dr. Marshall asked if there were any discussions or comments on the bylaws that were reviewed at the last meeting. Dr. Winslow asked if the order for the REMSCO and REMAC meetings in a given month should be switched. It was decided that it was not in the bylaws and did not affect the pending vote. There was no further discussion. There was a roll call vote to approve the seconded motion from the Bylaw Subcommittee to approve the Bylaws as distributed. The vote can be found here as *attachment 2*. The motion passed without opposition.

Protocols (Dr. Marshall)

- Dr. Marshall reported that the collaborative protocols were published and available (as well as the changelog) on the NYS website. The changes go live on September 1, 2026. He again outlined the changes that take effect in September.
- The spinal motion restriction change has been delayed as STAC made changes which require another approval by SEMAC and SEMSCO before moving forward. The implementation date is still to be determined.

QA/QI (Dr. Winslow)

- Dr. Winslow reported that there have been twenty-nine successful BLS administrations of IM glucagon. Dr. Winslow plans to ask in the 2027 protocol updates that it be put into protocol.
- The BLS Igel project has also been doing well and all agencies should consider participating.

Membership (Dr. Acosta)

- Dr. Acosta stated that starting in September he will start getting the names of those members who wish to continue, and the names of anyone who would like to join. The voting will take place in November.

RSI (Dr. Guszack)

- Dr. Guszack reported that the last meeting was June 9, 2026. Cases were reviewed, and some are missing the agency level reviews. Ongoing efforts continue to remedy that deficiency. County is also supplying the cases that are submitted to the state portal that are missing submission to the REMAC. Agencies that are missing cases or reviews will be contacted to try to rectify the issue.
- Holbrook has been added as a new RSI agency. Any agencies who meet the criteria that wish to participate should email REMAC at qaqi@suffolkcountyny.gov. There are no more agency approval votes needed.

Old Business:

- None.

New Business:

- Mr. Edouard brought attention to an ongoing Cardizem (Diltiazem) shortage. Restock is expected to happen no earlier than September. The NYS alternative formulary lists any calcium channel blocker as an option. An alternative option needs REMAC approval. Dr. Vosswinkel made a motion to approve verapamil as an alternative medication to diltiazem until the resolution of the shortage. Dr. Acosta seconded the motion. It was discussed that agencies who wish to use verapamil hold the responsibility to educate their providers, and the dose should be 2.5 mg. The motion passed without opposition.
- Dr. Marshall proposed that the county move away from radio notifications to an electronic notification platform such as eBridge. He recommends forming a working group from REMSCO, REMAC, FRES, agencies, hospitals etc. to examine the possibility. Individuals interested should reach out to Dr. Marshall to join the group. A question on the cost of change was asked, and Dr. Marshall stated that cost would be one of the points of discussion for the working group. There was further discussion on it being a bad time of the fiscal year for any additional costs, and that the change would need to happen system wide.
- Dr. Winslow noted that the BLS 12 lead device that was presented to REMAC in March was purchased by Halesite, and they have had success with the device and platform for their BLS providers.

EMS Division Report

Operations Report- Chief Paul Marra

- The Comprehensive County Emergency Medical Services Plan has been amended and has a 6-month timeline for completion. We sent a notification out to the system on July 8th advising agencies to look for the NYS Division of EMS survey that needs to be completed in a timely fashion.
- Agency Reminder that the Part 800.26 Regulations take effect 10/22/2026. This regulation is specific to EASV- please see the copy of the regulation provided. Key points include- camera system from the driver's perspective, 10-day recording and anti-theft device that would prevent unauthorized users from operating the vehicle. Vehicles purchased before this date are grandfathered any new or used vehicle purchased after the new regulation date must comply.
- Mass Gatherings continue around the county, next up is the Great South Bay Music Festival July 23rd-26th, Smithpoint Triathlon on 8/2, Peruvian 2-day festival at SCCC Brentwood Campus on 8/8 and 8/9 and the Oyster Festival in Port Jefferson August 15th with a rain date of the 16th.

Education and Training Report – Steve Januszkiewicz excused, report given by Paul Marra

- A full lineup of Fall EMT Original Courses is up on the REMSCO website and open for registration. They cover a vast area of the county. We are still exploring potential courses for the south fork and north fork for late Fall or early Winter starts.
- There are still plenty of seats available for our next AEMT Original Course which also includes a refresher class starts Monday August 24th at SCEMS. Visit the REMSCO website for further information and to register.
- We are finalizing details for a Fall CFR Course. Once the final logistics have been worked out, it will be placed on the REMSCO website for registration.
- We just completed two Resilience and Wellness for First Responders trainings that were well received. We are working on additional offerings for later this year. Please spread the word regarding the importance of first responder mental health and wellness among your constituents and providers.

- Reminder to the health systems: If you are offering EMS based presentations or lectures, please share your flyers with Steve Januszkiewicz so we can help promote them for you.
- If your agency is interested in hosting EMS or CME Courses during the 2027 calendar year, please contact steven.Januszkiewicz@suffolkcountyny.gov to discuss opportunities.
- Mr. Hoffman, on behalf of Stony Brook Hospital thanked Suffolk County Fire Rescue for their help with the US Open. Providers saw over six hundred patients and attendance was over one hundred thousand people. The sediment was shared by Dr. Marshall
- Dr. Winslow thanked Ocean Beach and Marty Liederman for hosting the joint meetings. He also thanked Dr. Rubano for the CME event earlier today.

System Medical Director Report and the State Council Report– Dr. Winslow:

- Dr. Winslow reported:
 - “State Council - There have been no meetings of the State Council since our last REMSCO meeting in May when a full report was given by me on the State Council meetings that were held in May and the report was added to both the REMSCO and REMAC meeting minutes for all REMSCO and REMAC members to review. Thank you to Deputy Chief Jen Hannigan for many hours of time and effort as serving as the Secretary for both the Suffolk County REMSCO and the REMAC. Thank you Jen! For tonight, the major update from State Council for the EMS system is to note that on September 1st the updated Collaborative Protocols will be going into effect minus the proposed changes to the spinal motion restriction protocol which will be further discussed at the next meetings of the SEMAC and SEMSCO in September. In preparation of the 2026 update, on June 15th updated Medication Formulary letters were sent out by the Suffolk County EMS Division staff to all EMS agencies and Fire Districts to list the updated ALS and BLS medications and listing those medications that are required and those medications that are EMS agency options if equipped and trained. The main changes are to add Oxytocin as an ALS agency option for post-partum Obstetric hemorrhage and to add Acetaminophen and Ibuprofen to the BLS formulary for treatment of fever and relief of pain at the EMT level. The updated Collaborative Patient Care Protocols were posted on the NYS DOH website and the Changelogs as well. Those Changelogs were also posted on the suffolkremsco website already and we will update the protocols to the newest version on the week of September 1st and replace the ones that are in effect until August 31st. As a function of the Program Agency, I am working on an educational update presentation that will explain all the new updates and also will cover recent updates to the REMAC policy manual. When it is finished it will be posted on the suffolkremsco website and we will take down the 2025 update from last year – this should be done by the first week in August. The next meetings of the State Council are scheduled for September 14, 15 and 16 in Troy.
 - RTAC – The Suffolk County RTAC held its most recent meeting on June 17th at our offices in Yaphank. The major updates for the EMS system from that meeting are that Huntington Hospital was supported by the RTAC to begin its application process to NYS DOH to upgrade to become a Level 2 Trauma Center and St Catherine of Siena was supported in beginning its application to NYS DOH to become a new Level 3 Trauma Center in Suffolk County. Also, the Suffolk County Trauma Triage educational presentation for EMS providers on the suffolkremsco website was updated from the 2023 version with the updated protocols related to trauma and to update the Suffolk County trauma center designations to 2026. There is included educational material on chest needle decompression with the axillary approach, stressing the importance of observing the platinum 10 minutes on-scene time concept as well as reviewing the importance of making and advanced pre-hospital notification to the trauma centers and making the bedside report by EMS using the MVIT

format. The educational material is available for all EMS providers to review on the eLearning site on the suffolkremsco website and it is available for Core CME for all provider levels.

- The next meeting of the Suffolk County RTAC will take place after the next meeting of the STAC - which is scheduled for October 7 in Albany – so the next RTAC meeting should be in late October or early November.
- Program Agency – Great news! The Suffolk County Program Agency was able to successfully award 2 Paramedic scholarships in accordance with the guidance that was agreed upon by the REMSCO at the May meeting. On June 25, Robert Chevalier from the Stony Brook Paramedic Program was awarded \$10,000 as valedictorian of the graduating class. Congratulations to Robert! On June 29, Dominic Pultorak from the Suffolk County Community College Paramedic Program was awarded \$10,000 as valedictorian of the graduating class. Congratulations to Dominic! I would like to ask the REMSCO to convene a work group in the Fall to work on both the Paramedic Education funding and to begin work on the adding the Recruitment and Retention funding in the amount of \$15,000. I'd like to have a group meet sometime in October so that the group can decide how to spend the grant money well in advance of the June 30, 2027 deadline. I want to give a thank you to Dina Wayrich for all her time and effort working on Suffolk County Program Agency duties. Thank you Dina!
- REMAC – I would like to mention that there were 3 hospital capabilities updates as follows: South Shore University Hospital is now a NYS DOH designated Level 1 Adult Trauma Center. NYU-Suffolk is now a regional Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner center. And Stony Brook Eastern Long Island is now a NYS DOH designated Primary Stroke Center. Congratulations to all 3 facilities on these important updates to their capabilities. Also, we have had some questions about the REMAC RSI Policy and I would like to refer all agencies to the updated RSI Program Policy – dated March 2026 - which is posted under the REMAC heading on the suffolkremsco website. It defines the updated policy for credentialing of RSI Paramedics and for new RSI agency applications and requirements. I want to thank Dr Chris Guszack from Northwell for all his time and effort to updating the RSI policies and for serving as Chair of the RSI Committee. Thank you Chris. If anyone has any specific RSI questions they may reach out to Dr Guszack.
- Last, the Kardia12L device that was presented to REMAC at the March meeting – this EKG device that takes a 12-lead using only 5 leads as a cost-effective device for BLS providers – this device had a successful trial at Halesite FD and the device works well, can transmit high quality EKGs to both the receiving hospitals and to Suffolk County Medical Control for interpretation. If anyone has any questions about this medical device, they may reach out to me for more information. Thank you to Halesite FD for testing it out for us.”
- Dr Marshal reminded everyone that the next REMAC meeting is September 29, 2026.

Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Vosswinkel, seconded by Dr. Guszack. The meeting adjourned at 1906.
Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Hannigan
Deputy Chief, Education and Training
REMAC Secretary

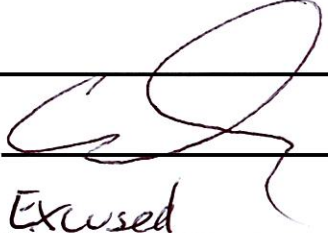
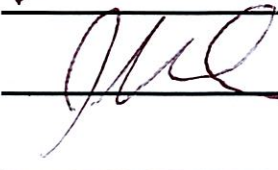


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FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OF SUFFOLK COUNTY
MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE LIST

July 21, 2026

Facility	Hospital Delegate/Alternate	SIGNATURE
EMS Medical Director	Jason Winslow, MD	
Eastern Long Island	Lawrence Schiff, MD	
Good Samaritan	<i>Excused</i> Eric Decena, MD / Joseph Zito, MD ✓	
Huntington	Devin Howell, DO / Leo Huertas, MD	
J.T. Mather	Eddie Kim, MD / Adam Wos, MD	
NYU Langone Hosp- Suffolk	<i>Excused</i> Joseph Artale, MD / Christine DeSanno-Caridi, DO	
Peconic Bay	<i>Excused</i> Jeffrey Cangelosi, MD / Nick Palamidissi, MD	
Southampton	Max Minnerop, MD	<i>Excused</i>
South Shore University	Brian Blaustein, MD/ Anthony Urmaza, MD	
St. Catherine's	Paul Taglienti, MD	
St. Charles	Jeffrey Wheeler, MD / Joseph Garber, MD	
Stony Brook University	Joseph Bove, MD	

Physician Members-at-Large:

Juan Acosta, DO		Christopher Guszack, MD	
Lincoln Cox, MD	<i>Excused</i>	Youssef Hassoun, MD	<i>Excused</i>
Scott Coyne, MD	<i>Excused</i>	Lauren Maloney, MD	<i>Excused</i>
Caitlin Feeks, DO	<i>Excused</i>	R. Trevor Marshall, MD	
Andrew Flanigan, DO		Dr. Jerry Rubano, MD	
Gegory Garra, MD		James Vosswinkel, MD	
Jack Geffken, DO		Daryl Williams, MD	



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EMS Division Staff:

Signature:

Steven Januszkiewicz, Education and Training Coordinator

Paul Marra, Chief, EMS Operations

Jennifer Hannigan, Deputy Chief, Executive Secretary

Christopher Gallway, University Medical Control

Edward Boyd, Chair, REMSCO

Non-Physician Members-at-Large:

Signature:

Edward Boyd

John Boyd

Jess Boyle

Robert Cavalieri

Scott DiPino

Shawn Edouard

Thomas Fealey

Patrick Gugliotta

Jason Hoffman

James Jackson

Michael Presta

David Roth

Daniel Siciliano

Richard Tvelia

Paul Werfel

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Hospital -Suffolk

Peconic Bay Medical
Center

Southampton Hospital

South Shore
University Hospital

Catherine of Siena Medical
Center

St. Charles Hospital

Stony Brook
University Hospital

Subcommittee: RSI

Date: 6/9/2026

Location: Sayville Community Ambulance

Chair/Acting Chair: Dr. Guszak

Quorum reached? Y / N

Present at location:

CAVATON, BOB

BANK, BRENDAN

Dacienzo, Cole

Toulko, ADAM

WERTEL, PAUL

Fearley, Tom

Wayne, Dina

Marshall, Trevor

Chris Guszak

Shawn Edwards

Carl Goodman

Dan Siciliano

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Stony Brook
University Hospital

Subcommittee: All (not RSI)

Date: 6 / 23 / 26

Location: SC EMS

Chair/Acting Chair: Dr. Marshall Quorum reached? Y ☒ N

Present at location:

Dr. Winslow

Dr. Marshall

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Dina Wayrich

Sen Hannigan

Present Virtually:

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Suffolk County Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee Record of Motion

A Motion to

approve the Bylaws, as distributed.

was made by

, seconded by

Bylaw Subcommittee

Agency	Representative	In Favor	Opposed	Abstained	Absent
Eastern Long Island	Lawrence Schiff, MD				X
Good Samaritan	Eric Decena, MD				X
Huntington	Devin Howell, DO				X
J.T. Mather	Eddie Kim, MD				X
NYU Langone Hosp - Suffolk	Joseph Artale, MD				X
Peconic Bay Med. Center	Jeffrey Cangelosi, MD	X			
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South Shore University	Brian Blaustein, MD				X
St. Catherine's	Paul Taglienti, MD				X
St. Charles	Jeffrey Wheeler, MD				X
Stony Brook University	Joseph Bove, MD				X
Medical Director	Jason Winslow, MD	X			
Physician Members					
Dr. Juan Acosta		X			
Dr. Lincoln Cox					X
Dr. Scott Coyne					X
Dr. Caitlin Feeks					X
Dr. Andrew Flanigan					X
Dr. Gregory Garra					X
Dr. Jack Geffken		X			
Dr. Chris Guszack		X			
Dr. Youssef Hassoun					X
Dr. Lauren Maloney					X
Dr. R. Trevor Marshall		X			
Dr. Jerry Rubano		X			
Dr. James Vosswinkel		X			
Dr. Daryl Williams					X
TOTAL:		8			18

This is a true and accurate recording of the subject motion identified above.

MOTION [X] PASSED [] DEFEATED

Date: 7/21/2026

Attested to by: _____,
Jennifer Hannigan, Executive Secretary