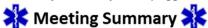


This meeting summary will not be considered final until formally approved at the November 26, 2024 meeting.



September 24, 2024

Hospitals / Physician Members-at-Large Represented:See Attendance ListNon-Voting Members Present:See Attendance ListEMS Division Staff Present:See Attendance ListSub-Committee Meeting Attendance:See Attendance List

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 1900 by Chairman Dr. Acosta, presiding. There was a moment of silence for the line of duty death of Patrick J. Walsh of East Farmingdale Fire Company.

A sales rep from Phillips Healthcare gave a presentation on their Tempus Monitor.

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

Chairperson's Motions:

• Dr. Acosta asked for a motion to approve the July 23, 2024, meeting minutes (distributed by email to all members prior to the meeting). Bob Cavaleri asked for an amendment to the minutes to include more on the discussion pertaining to making paramedics voting members of the REMSCO. The motion was amended by Dr. Acosta to accept the July 23, 2024 meeting minutes with the proposed amendment included. The motion was made by Dr. Winslow, seconded by Dr. Coyne and passed without opposition.

Chairperson's Report:

• No report.

Vice Chairperson's Report:

• No report, will report under Protocols Subcommittee.

Second Vice Chair's Report:

• No report, will speak under RSI Subcommittee.

Correspondence:

• Dr. Acosta reported that there are some enforcements from the state. The names of these providers can be found on the state website. None of the providers are from our region. Also, REMAC received

an appeal letter, and at the end of this meeting, Dr. Acosta will be asking for volunteers to review the case.

EMS Division Report

System Medical Director Report – Dr. Winslow:

- Dr. Winslow congratulates Rudy Sunderman on his appointment earlier today to become the Commissioner of Fire, Rescue and Emergency Medical Services. As the EMS Division is merging with his Department, Dr. Winslow is looking forward to working together.
- The meetings of the State Council took place on September 16th, 17th and 18th in Saratoga Springs:
 - There are three new Bureau of EMS policy statements that should be reviewed. The policy statements cover the new four-year certification cycle for all levels of EMS provider in New York State, some updates to the practical skills evaluation, and an overhaul of the Part 800 education regulations. If anyone on REMAC has any questions about the new education regulations or these policy statements, they may reach out to Chief Masterton at any time.
 - The EMS Memorial was held on Thursday September 19th at Empire Plaza in Albany and many EMS providers and leaders from Suffolk County were in attendance.
 - Vital Signs Conference is scheduled for October 16th to the 20th, 2024, in Rochester.
 - The upgrade to NEMSIS 3.5 has gone very well overall throughout New York State, and if anyone on REMAC has any questions about ePCR submission by their agencies or reception by their hospitals, they may reach out to Chief Paul Marra at any time for assistance.
 - Proposed updates to the New York State Collaborative protocols include: adding Ipratropium to Albuterol for EMTs in all places where Albuterol is used; the removal of Haldol and adding Olanzapine 10mg IM or 5 mg SL as a Medical Control option in behavioral emergencies; adding the administration of whole blood to the traumatic shock protocol with regional REMAC approval; and increasing the dose of Tranexamic Acid from 1 gram to 2 grams IV over 10 minutes. Currently, REMAC does not authorize either blood administration or TXA and this will be discussed at the next meeting of the Suffolk County RTAC. Of note, the legislation that all ground and air ambulances may store and administer blood products was passed in May and signed by the Governor last week. For Suffolk County, we are currently discussing how this would affect the region, but the first step would be for the Suffolk County REMAC to approve this by regional policy. We can discuss this at the November REMAC meeting after we have this discussed at RTAC and enlist their support. And the last major change to the Protocols is adding the placement of a supraglottic airway such as the IGel to the EMT section of the protocols in cardiac arrest. This is currently not in the national scope of practice of an EMT and there was some discussion of that at SEMAC.
 - A presentation of the BLS IGel pilot program from Hudson Valley noted that there have been 419 total uses from 124 agencies and over 1,800 EMTs trained through the State over the last two years. In Suffolk County, there have been three uses of the BLS pilot program, and all were successful. The temporary pause on EMS agencies applying to the Hudson Valley pilot program is now over and any EMS agency may apply by emailing Deputy Chief Jen Hannigan as Secretary of the REMAC. For the agency medical directors, please be aware that the REMAC requires documentation of the EMS providers that they have been trained in the placement of the supraglottic airway and in the performance and interpretation of waveform capnography to ensure proper placement and ventilation. How each agency accomplishes this is up to the agency medical director.

- The REMSCO contract award letters have been signed and sent out from New York State to the regional REMSCOs, and Suffolk County REMSCO received its award letter on September 11th. It is a five-year award contract for a total of \$125,000. The regional Program Agencies have not yet received their contract award letters, but the leadership from the Bureau of EMS has assured us that they will be coming very soon and with a 10% increase.
- A motion was made at the SEMSCO to have the date of expiration of the EMT-CC to be in 2030 instead of 2027. The motion was defeated. Dr. Winslow proposes that the Suffolk County REMAC should allow the AEMT level of provider to practice under the New York State Collaborative protocols at this time.

Operations Report- Chief Paul Marra

- Chief Marra reported that the merge with FRES will not change any of the tasks the Division handles and business will continue through the transition without disruption. More will be shared once information is available.
- Carepoint: Telemetry system at Medical Control in in the process of an upgrade, one unit has been updated and the second one is due in shortly. Agencies should verify the email address pointing to medical control: carepoint-medcom@suffolkcountyny.gdcarepoint.com.
- Controlled Substances continue to be the topic of conversation and challenge during state inspections. Please check with your agencies and confirm that the proper documentation is being kept and recorded. An educational piece is being developed for this.
- E-Bridge training is scheduled for Thursday at South Shore Hospital at 7PM. We will be working to get the Stony Brook Medic Trucks on the application over the next few weeks.
- EPCR direct users can contact Dina Wayrich or myself for assistance with validation problems. EPCR coordinators can participate in monthly meetings with Imagetrend, which is the fourth Tuesday of the month. All other users must contact their vendors for assistance.
- Flanders-Northampton has added a bariatric truck to its fleet, making three bariatric trucks for the county; Brentwood and Copiague being the other two agencies.
- After recent events we are working on the hospital polling process, looking at different ways to streamline accurate data from the hospital to field providers, we hope to have some solutions for the next meeting. There was some discussion on the event itself that prompted the polling, and suggestions were offered to further improve the issues identified.

REMSCO Report- Ed Boyd

• Mr. Boyd stated that all was covered in Dr. Winslow and Chie Marra's reports.

Subcommittee Reports:

Protocols (Dr. Marshall)

• Dr. Marshall brought forth a seconded motion from the Protocol Subcommittee to approve the BLS and ALS Policy Manual as sent out to the membership for systemwide implementation on November fist of this year. Dr. Marshall outlined the changes that were made, and discussion ensued. There are some areas of the manual that have not been edited, as the Protocol Subcommittee is waiting on new policies and direction from New York State. There was some discussion on returning the manual to the subcommittee for further edits. The motion was re-stated as outlined above, and the motion passed with one opposition and one abstention (see *attachment 4*).

• Dr. Marshall reported that the collaborative protocols continue to be worked on by the SEMAC, changes will be voted on at the next meeting. These changes were reported and were also outlined by Dr. Winslow in his report. Any comments or questions should bring them forward to the subcommittee. There was some discussion on Olanzapine, and Dr. Winslow asked Dr. Hassoun to offer his opinion on the medication and its efficacy in the emotionally disturbed patient (included the dose) and discuss at the next REMSCO meeting.

QA/QI (Dr Winslow)

- Dr. Winslow reminded that all QA/QI related materials should be sent to qaqi@suffolkcountyny.gov, as the Division is now paperless.
- BLS Igel has had three successful uses in Suffolk County. If agencies wish to apply to participate, please email Deputy Chief Hannigan at Jennifer.hannigan@suffolkcountyny.gov.
- The ALS to BLS Downgrade with a Normal 12 Lead EKG Project is going well, please remember to send ePCRs to QA/QI email.
- There is still ePCR data that is not getting through to hospitals, please check to ensure all data is being received. Hospitals having difficulty retrieving data should reach out to Suffolk EMS.
- There will be a STEMI Coordinator's meeting at Suffolk EMS on October 30, 2024. Dr. Winslow will be sending out invites to applicable hospital staff.
- The next RTAC meeting will be at Suffolk EMS on November 20, 2024, messaging will be going out shortly.

RSI (Dr. Glantz excused, Dr. Geffken reporting):

- A seconded motion is being brought to REMAC to approve East Farmingdale FD as an RSI agency. There was some discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was called and can be seen here as *attachment 5*). (Note that Secretary Hannigan miscounted the votes and reported that there were 10 yesses and 5 nos at the meeting. There were really 9 in favor, 5 opposed, and 5 abstentions; the motion still passed).
- The subcommittee has approved Paramedics Dominic, Feliciano-Nieves, Fortner, Mancino, McCarrick, Montalto, Nagoda, Otero, Reid, Willis, Villaneuva, and Zacharevitz as RSI Paramedics for their respective agencies.
- Twenty cases discussed. Dr. Glantz has contacted agency medical directors to review two cases that were identified by the subcommittee.
- It was noted that a lot of cases were missing MD and peer reviews. The forms are on the REMSCO website under the REMAC tab. They are fillable PDFs and should be submitted with the ePCR to qaqi@suffolkcountyny.gov. These forms are not required, but strongly recommended.
- It was noted that ETCO2 was being left off ePCRs that come from agencies that utilize ESO. It was requested that the "billing report" version of the ePCR be submitted as the ETCO2 will automatically be included.

Behavioral (Dr. Coyne)

• No report.

Bylaws (Dr. Coyne)

• Dr. Coyne referred to the last meeting where allowing paramedics to vote was discussed; both on the REMAC itself and on the subcommittees. Dr. Coyne reported that under Article 30, only physicians can vote at REMAC.

Membership (Dr. Maloney)

- Dr. Maloney reported that she has the following members up for reelection:
 - Voting members, Drs. Feeks, Guszack, Hassoun, Maloney, Marshall, Vosswinkel, and a new candidate, Williams. Dr. Ng has not responded to her emails.
 - Non-voting members, Gugliotta, Hoffman, Jackson, Presta, Roth, Sciciliano, and Werfel. O'Connell and Tvelia are new candidates. Luccioni is not seeking reelection.
 - For First Vicechair, Dr. Geffken, for Chair Dr. Marshall.
- Dr. Williams, O'Connell and Tvelia introduced themselves to the REMAC.
- Anyone else who wishes to seek election should contact Dr. Maloney.
- The new representative for St. Catherine's, Dr. Bianconi, also introduced himself.

Old Business:

• Dr. Winslow brought the BLS IM Glucagon Pilot Proposal to the SEMAC. There were concerns raised, namely the cost and the efficacy. Dr. Winslow recommends the study be presented at the next REMAC meeting for approval, and then taken to the state.

New Business:

- Dr. Winslow made a motion to approve the AEMT as a provider level in Suffolk County. The motion was seconded by Dr. Coyne. There was discussion, including concerns that the AEMT would be used as an ALS provider, and would "water down" the system. Dr. Acosta reminded the group that an ALS crew constitutes at least one paramedic or EMT-CC, and an AEMT alone would not constitute ALS. The question was called, and a roll call vote was taken and can be seen here as *attachment* 6).
- A draft of the Trauma Lifesaving Form was sent out, please send any feedback to Deputy Chief Hannigan.
- The next RSI Subcommittee meeting will be October 29, 2024, at 7 PM at Bayshore Brightwaters Ambulance, and the next REMAC Subcommittee meetings (excluding RSI) will be on October 22, 2024, at 5 PM at Suffolk County EMS.
- Dr. Acosta took volunteers to help on the appeal; Dr. Guszack, Dr Geffken, and Dr. Bianconi volunteered.

Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Guszack, seconded by Dr. Winslow. The meeting adjourned at 2021. Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Hannigan Deputy Chief, Education and Training REMAC Secretary



REGIONAL MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (REMAC)

FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OF SUFFOLK COUNTY MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE LIST

September 24, 2024

Facility	Hospital Delegate/Alternate	SIGNATURE
EMS Medical Director	Jason Winslow, MD	
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Good Samaritan	Eric Decena, MD / Chris Raio, MD	(De
Huntington	Devin Howell, DO / Leo Huertas, MD	2 Hunth
J.T. Mather	Eddie Kim, MD / Adam Wos, MD	
Long Island Community	Jerry Rubano, MD / Sanjay Shetty, MD	
Peconic Bay	Jeffrey Cangelosi, MD / Nick Palamidissi, MD	94Vp
Southampton	Max Minnerop, MD	1/1/4
South Shore University	Brian Blaustein, MD/ Anthony Urmaza, M	o na lab
St. Catherine's	Kristopher Bianconi, MD	1/1/9
St. Charles (Dr. Garber excused)	Jeffrey Wheeler, MD / Joseph Garber, MI	
Stony Brook University	Joseph Bove, MD / Megan Hodges, MD	Excused
Physician Members-at-Large;		
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John Manzi, Chair, REMSCO	
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Edward Boyd	Lem
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Suffolk County Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee Record of Motion

A Motion to		
Approve the 2024 BLS and ALS	S Policy Manual to go live November	1, 2024.
was made by	, seconded by	Protocol 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			
L. I. Comm. Hospital	Jerry Rubano, MD	X			
Peconic Bay Med. Cntr	Jeffrey Cangelosi, MD	X			
Southampton	Max Minnerop, MD	X			
South Shore University	Brian Blaustein, MD	X			
St. Catherine's	Kristopher Bianconi, MD	X			
St. Charles	Jeffrey Wheeler, MD				X
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. Sanford Glantz					X
Dr. Chris Guszack		X			
Dr. Youssef Hassoun		X			
Dr. Lauren Maloney			X		
Dr. R. Trevor Marshall		X			
Dr. Christopher Ng					X
Dr. James Vosswinkel		X			
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Date: 9/24/2024 Attested to by:

Jennifer Hannigan, Executive Secretary

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Suffolk County Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee Record of Motion

A Motion to Approve East Farmingdale FD as a	nn RSI Agency in Suffolk Cou	nty.
was made by	, seconded by	RSI 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	
L. I. Comm. Hospital	Jerry Rubano, MD	X			
Peconic Bay Med. Cntr	Jeffrey Cangelosi, MD	X			
Southampton	Max Minnerop, MD	X			
South Shore University	Brian Blaustein, MD		X		
St. Catherine's	Kristopher Bianconi, MD			X	
St. Charles	Jeffrey Wheeler, MD				X
University	Joseph Bove, MD				X
Medical Director	Jason Winslow, MD			X	
Physician Members					
Dr. Juan Acosta		X			
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Dr. Jack Geffken		X			
Dr. Sanford Glantz					X
Dr. Chris Guszack			X		
Dr. Youssef Hassoun			X		
Dr. Lauren Maloney			X		
Dr. R. Trevor Marshall		X			
Dr. Christopher Ng					X
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Suffolk County Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee Record of Motion

A Motion to	AEMT level of certification to	work in Suffolk County	
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was made by	Dr. Winslow	, seconded by	Dr. Coyne

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			
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Dr. Sanford Glantz					X
Dr. Chris Guszack		X			
Dr. Youssef Hassoun		X			
Dr. Lauren Maloney		X			
Dr. R. Trevor Marshall		X			
Dr. Christopher Ng					X
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