

# **Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council**



## **DECEMBER 2018 M I N U T E S**



**Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council  
 Attendance Record for January– December 2018**

Agency/Department	Representative	Alternate	Feb		April		June		Aug		Oct		Dec	
			R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A
Consumer	Loren Belton, YVCOG	Open												
Medical Control	Ben Maltz MPD	Designee												
Elected Official (Fire Commissioner/Mayor/City Council Member)	Ken Eakin, Fire Commissioner, WVFD	Kay Funk, City of Yakima Council	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Law Enforcement	Open	Open												
Yakima County Training Officer's Association	Jim Johnston, West Valley FD	Open			X								X	
Yakima County 9-1-1	Brad Coughenour, SunCom 911	Stacey Garcia, SunCom 911	X				X				X	X		X
Yakima County Department of Emergency Medical Services	Tony Miller, Manager	Wendy Moudy, Training Coordinator, Treasurer	X	X	X	X		X			X	X		X
	Diane Koch, Secretary	None	X		X		X				X		X	
<b>UPPER VALLEY REPRESENTATIVES</b>														
Agency/Department	Representative	Alternate	Feb		April		June		Aug		Oct		Dec	
			R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A
Fire Service	Ken Frazier, Gleed FD	Gary Hanna, Selah FD	X				X	X			X	X	X	X
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Tammy Pettis, Virginia Mason Memorial	Laurie Robinson, Astria Regional Medical Center, Chair-Elect	X	X	X		X				X		X	X
Ambulance Service (alternate each year between ambulance services)	Brian Ireton, ALS	Dave Lynde, AMR, Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X
<b>LOWER VALLEY REPRESENTATIVES</b>														
Agency/Department	Representative	Alternate	Feb		April		June		Aug		Oct		Dec	
			R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A
Fire Service	Joel Byam, FD #5	Tim Smith, Toppenish FD									X	X	X	X
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Open Astria Toppenish Hospital	Open Astria Sunnyside Hospital												
Ambulance Service	Aaron Markham, YFD (formerly SSFD), Past-Chair	Open, WSA	X								X		X	
<b>EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS</b>														
Agency/Department	Representative	Feb	April	June	Aug	Oct	Dec							
South Central Region EMS & Trauma Care Council	Zita Wiltgen	X												

**It is the responsibility of the representative to contact his/her alternate when he/she is unable to attend the meeting.**

By-Law, Article III

- 1.1 Each seat will select one representative and one alternate to the Board of Directors. Each seat will be permitted one representative with one vote. Alternates vote in the absence of the regular representative. All members of the Board of Directors shall be selected prior to the annual meeting for the coming year.



**1. Roll call** with 15 present. Eight representatives and 7 alternates. Two alternates were voting at this meeting.

**2. Guests:** Suzy Beck, Airlift Northwest.

**3. Approval and correction of minutes**

The following corrections were noted for the October minutes:

Dave Lynde: Under Correspondence the new ER Director was for Astria Toppenish Hospital only.

Jim Johnston: Under the Department of EMS report, C. West Valley Fire Department will continue to do their own Advanced First Aid course.

Ken Eakin moved to approve the minutes from October 4, 2018, with the above noted corrections. Brian Ireton seconded. Motion passed.

**4. Correspondence** – Dave Lynde  
**None.**

**5. Committee Reports**

**Medical Control: Ben Maltz, MD – Wendy Moudy Reporting**

Dr. Maltz is still working on updating the protocols.

**Regional Council: Dave Lynde**

- A. The Region is continuing to work on Strategic Planning.
- B. The Regional Bylaws have been changed allowing Aero Medical to be on board.
- C. SHB 1358 – Reimbursement for CARES Programs
  - Requires the HCA to develop a reimbursement mechanism for CARES (community assistance referral and education) programs established under the 5591 CARES legislation from 2015.
  - The DOH continues to meet with the HCA monthly, they are also holding meetings with Stakeholders. The goal of these meetings is to recognize and understand what EMS is currently doing in these programs and also how to bill for these services. If you would like more information about these meetings contact Catie Holstein at [catie.holstein@doh.wa.gov](mailto:catie.holstein@doh.wa.gov)
- D. DOH is still currently engaged in stakeholder meetings to amend some sections of WAC 246-976. Meetings are occurring monthly and webinar access is available. A DRAFT of proposed changes for rules section, -290 ground ambulance vehicle standards and -310 communications equipment have been posted on the State website and are open for public comment during our CR101 process. The state would like any EMS person to get online, review and provide comments. You may find this under "Proposed changes for comment" at the following link:



<https://www.doh.wa.gov/ForPublicHealthandHealthcareProviders/EmergencyMedicalServicesEMSSystems/RulesDevelopment>

E. Education Updates:

- Voucher applications for initial EMS certification examination at the NREMT are still being accepted. Contact Dawn Felt at: [dawn.felt@doh.wa.gov](mailto:dawn.felt@doh.wa.gov). Pearson Vue has added 7 more testing sites: Aberdeen, Ellensburg, Mount Vernon, Port Angeles, Tacoma and Trail BC, just north of Colville, WA.
- Due to changes with NREMT recertification requirements the DOH is in the process of updating the refresher course schedules. The EMT refresher schedule is complete and has been posted to the DOH website, link: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/530217.pdf>. AEMT and Paramedic refresher course schedules should be completed by the end of 2018.
- Skill sheets used in EMR, EMT and AEMT courses have been updated NREMT standards and consolidated into one document. The EMR, EMT and AEMT Practical Evaluation Skill Sheet document is available on the DOH website under provider education, link: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/530150.pdf>
- The next EMS Education Update Webinar will be held January 9<sup>th</sup> from 11 am – 12 pm

F. WEMISIS update – The assessment team have finalized and posted a statewide WEMISIS data completeness and quality report on the DOH EMS Data and Reports webpage. They anticipate on generating this report on a quarterly basis to serve as a tool to track data quality improvement over time. The purpose of this report is to inform data users of WEMISIS data quality and to monitor data quality improvement over time. The information presented should be used to engage data providers and software vendors in discussions to address the systems' data quality needs as identified in the report. County level reports can be made available to appropriate data providers and users upon request. Link:

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/ForPublicHealthandHealthcareProviders/EmergencyMedicalServicesEMSSystems/WEMISISEMSDataRegistry/DataandReports>

G. Rural EMS Assessment Project – The Washington State Office of Rural Health (SORH) in collaboration with our rural Emergency Care Systems and Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care departments at the Department of Health have selected a state-wide EMS assessment project that will drive both planning and short to long term strategies for implementation. The assessment tool selected is the "18 Attributes of a Successful EMS Agency", which was developed by the Wisconsin Office of Rural Health and vetted by a large panel of national experts in rural EMS.

Starting January 2019 Washington State EMS agencies will receive the assessment tool via electronic survey to agency supervisors. The Department of Health is requesting the assessment be completed and returned by March 1, 2019.

- Strengths & Improvement
- Targeted Action plan
- Peer Networks for successful practices and innovations.
- Performance measures over time



#### H. EMS & Trauma Steering Committee

The American College of Surgeons (ACS) was the successful vendor who will be doing a systems assessment for our state trauma system. The ACS has submitted questions to DOH and Eric Dean will be the lead on this. DOH is providing all documentation and will turn the information in to them in January. The team will be made up of surgeons, EMS and hospital representatives. The team will be here the week of April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 and will do interviews with stakeholders, on Monday and Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> in Olympia. Stakeholders from the Eastside of the state are requested to be present on Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. ACS will provide a verbal preliminary report at the end of the week of April 26<sup>th</sup>. A "Go to Meeting" will be available. At the May 15<sup>th</sup> Steering Committee, the ACE will remote in for their presentation. Eric Dean from DOH gave a presentation on the trauma care fund spending plan development. The revenue from car sales of \$6.50 per transaction has not been increased since 1997. Dr. Arbabi is going to ask the reviewers, who will be reviewing our state system, how to present the increase to legislation for this fee.

The Secretary of Health appoints Steering Committee Members, it is no longer the Governor. There will be two new Co-Chairs for the Committee. Dr. Tirschwell for stroke and Dr. Buck for cardiac. DOH has received a "flex grant" to do assessment on EMS (all 506) agencies in the state. A survey of 18 questions will be sent out in January and will be reviewed by an outside agency.

- I. Stroke and Cardiac Tac continuing to work on plan. The Stroke Triage Tool time window for EMS stroke patients will be extended out to 24 hours for patients with a LAMS score greater or equal to 4 and those patients will go to a level 1 stroke center for thrombectomy.
- J. Pediatric TAC is reviewing their strategic plan. Also discussing pediatric suicide and burns.
- K. Hospital TAC is in the final steps for approval of WAC 246-976-700. Once the WAC is signed it will go into effect in 40 days. Some language changes have been made to WAC 246-976-420 and 430 by the Attorney General's office in the confidentiality area so that everything is "non-discoverable" for QI.

#### **SunCom 911 – Brad Coughenour – Stacey Garcia**

- A. The Call Taker sent to EMD training in King County passed flying colors. Looking into sending a supervisor over to become a trainer.
- B. Reviewing the MCI plan for expectation in the policy to spin up Med Vac quicker in case of MCI. It will be placed on the agenda as talking point. More to follow.

#### **Department of EMS: Wendy Moudy**

- A. We are working on finishing up the 2019 OTEP modules.
- B. We are working with Zita Wiltgen, SC Region and Cheryl Burrows, Kittitas Co EMS on updating the Regional PCPs.
- C. EMT Orientation is on December 8<sup>th</sup>. We have 35 students which makes a robust class.



- D. We will hold an RN to EMT Bridge Course in the spring.
- E. We are planning on 3 Advanced First Aid classes during 2019. There will be no charge for any of the classes we provide.
- F. An additional support staff position has been approved. We plan on hiring for the in January or February.
- G. Training report September - October, we provided 103 hours of education for 389 students. Report attached.

#### **6. Old Business:**

- A. Trauma Response Area Maps – Dave Lynde reported  
The county GIS is getting better descriptions to ID trauma response areas.
- B. Update County Orientation Procedure – Tony Miller  
No report.

#### **7. New Business:**

- A. Nominations Committee – Dave Lynde  
Nomination for Chair Elect is (will be Chair in 2020): Joel Byam  
Nomination for Secretary is: Diane Koch  
Aaron Markham moved to close and seconded by Tammy Pettis. The nominations were closed and approved by vote.
- B. Min/Max Numbers – Dave Lynde  
April 2017 (began much earlier) a committee was formed and evaluated min/max numbers. Approval is need for the changes that will be sent to the South Central Region:
  - ILS Ambulance and ALS Ambulance no change.
  - BLS Aid agencies will be changed to a minimum of 15 and maximum of 18.
  - BLS Ambulance will be changed to a minimum of one.Aaron Markham moved to approve, Ken Eakin seconded. Motion passed.
- C. Regional Council Applications  
Tammy Pettis needs her application renewed and Wendy Moudy needs her initial application approved. Ken Eakin moved to approve the applications, Brian Ireton seconded. Motion passed.

#### **8. Good of the Order**

- A. Do the dates and/or times of the meetings need to change? There were no comments.
- B. Kay Funk has been appointed to the State Enhanced 911 Advisory Committee. She has not attended any meetings yet. WAC 480-120-450 – 480-120-999 are the WACs covering enhanced 911.





- C. Suzy Beck, Airlift Northwest reminded the group that this time of year weather may become a challenge. It is best to call early.
- New pilots who are experienced are starting for the fixed wing aircraft.
  - Airlift Northwest has a new pediatric director Dr. Jessica Wall. She will be visiting the bases and will be in Yakima February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. She is looking forward to providing education. She would also like to send her pediatric residents out to fly with the bases.
  - There has been an uptick in ride alongs.
  - The marketing team did research and there will be a new Airlift Northwest logo on December 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - Reminder that the phone and desk top apps are live. These include an ETA countdown clock and you can see where helicopter is at terrain wise.
- D. Jim Curtis the newly elected corner will be invited to fill the vacant Law Enforcement position on the Council.
9. The next meeting will be **February 7, 2019 at 1:30 pm**, Yakima County Department of Emergency Medical Services, 2403 S. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Union Gap, Classroom B.
10. Meeting adjourned.



**Yakima County EMS and Trauma Care Council**  
**Bi-Monthly 2018 Training Report**  
**Months: September 1, 2018 - October 31, 2018**

**OTEP CLASSES**

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
9/26/2018	2018 ILS Workshop C	GCFD#8 @ Mattawa	3	1.00
	2018 Workshop C (Mod 5&6 Skills)		14	2.00
10/1/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #1 & 2 @ White Swan	4	2.00
10/2/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #51 - Day Drill	12	2.00
10/3/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Selah FD St #21&22 @ 21	23	2.00
10/3/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Selah FD, St #24&26 @ 24	10	2.00
10/4/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Training Center FD	11	2.00
10/4/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #15 @ Mabton	5	2.00
10/4/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #3 & 4 @ Harrah	13	2.00
10/9/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #10 @ Zillah	15	2.00
10/10/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #13 @ Sunnyside	27	2.00
10/10/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #51	9	2.00
10/10/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #53	5	2.00
10/11/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Training Center FD	9	2.00
10/11/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #9 @ Toppenish	10	2.00
10/16/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Klickitat Co FD#2 @ Bickleton	7	2.00
10/16/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Nile FD	8	2.00
10/17/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #14 @ Grandview	17	2.00
10/18/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #11 & 16 @ Granger	0	2.00
10/18/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #6 @ Wapato	10	2.00
10/22/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept., St #91	12	2.00
10/22/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept., St #94	11	2.00
10/22/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #5 & 7 @ Sawyer	16	2.00
10/23/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept., St #91	14	2.00
10/23/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept., St #94	7	2.00
10/23/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Naches FD	12	2.00
10/23/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St #12 @ Outlook	20	2.00
10/23/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept, St#95 - Reserves	3	2.00
10/24/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #52	8	2.00
10/24/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #54	6	2.00
10/25/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept., St #91	11	2.00
10/25/2018	2018 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Fire Dept., St #94	5	2.00
		<b>TOTALS</b>	337	63.00
		<b>AVERAGES</b>	10.53	1.97

**IN HOUSE OTEP CLASSES (MAKEUPS)**

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
8/27/2018	Run Review - Cardiac	Yakima Regional Astria	18	2.00
9/4/2018	2015 Workshop A (Mod 1 & 2)	Yakima Fire Department	2	2.00
10/12/2018	Bloodborne Pathogens	Yakima Fire Department	3	2.00
10/12/2018	Supraglottic Airway	Yakima Fire Department	3	3.00





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10/12/2018	Epi and Narcan Administration	Yakima Fire Department	3	2.00
<b>TOTALS</b>			29	11.00
<b>AVERAGES</b>			5.80	2.20

**SPECIAL CLASSES**

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
9/7/2018	Wellness and Safety of First Responder, Intro Anatomy, Lifting & Moving/Positioning, Injured & Ill Patients, Airway Management and Rescue Breathing, AHA HCP	Yakima County DEMS, Classrooms	7	9.00
9/8/2018	Advanced First Aid - Caring for Soft Tissue Injuries & Shock and Muscle & Bone Injuries, Caring for Medical Emergencies, Poisoning & Substance Abuse, Transportation Operations Vehicle Extrication & Special Operations Skills	Yakima County DEMS, Classrooms	7	9.00
9/9/2018	Caring for Injuries to the Head & Spine, Environmental Emergencies - Drowning & Water Resuscitation, MCI Principles of Triage and Childbirth, Final Practical Skills & Written Exam	Yakima County DEMS, Classrooms	7	9.00
10/13/2018	Washington State EMS Evaluator Course Refresher	Yakima County DEMS, Classrooms	2	2.00
<b>TOTALS</b>			23	29.00
<b>AVERAGES</b>			5.75	7.25

	Students	Hours
<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>	389	103.00
<b>OVERALL AVERAGES</b>	9.49	2.51