Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council

APRIL 2023
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YAKIMA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL
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Attendance Record for January– December 2023

Agency/Department	Representative	Alternate	Feb		April		June		Aug		Oct		Dec	
			R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A
Consumer	Open	Open												
Medical Control	Kevin Hodges MPD	Designee	X		X									
Elected Official (Fire Commissioner/Mayor/City Council Member)	*Ken Eakin, Fire Commissioner, WVFD, Past Chair*	Danny Herrera, City of Yakima Council	X		X	X								
Law Enforcement	Open	Open												
Yakima County Training Officer's Association	Jim Johnston, WVFD	Open	X		X									
Yakima County 9-1-1	Erica McNamara, Director, SunCom 911	Angela Brown, SunCom 911												
Yakima County Department of Emergency Medical Services	Tony Miller, ES Director	Open, EMS Ops Manager	X											
	Diane Koch, *Secretary*	None	X		X									

UPPER VALLEY REPRESENTATIVES

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	Jim Lange, Selah FD	X	X	X									
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Jackie Wantland, MultiCare Memorial	Sarah Downen, MultiCare Memorial	X		X	X								
Ambulance Service (alternate each year between ambulance services)	Dave Lynde, AMR	*Treena Russell, ALS, Chair*	X	X	X	X								

LOWER VALLEY REPRESENTATIVES

Agency/Department	Representative	Alternate	Feb		April		June		Aug		Oct		Dec	
			R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A	R	A
Fire Service	Tim Smith, Toppenish FD	Joel Byam, FD #5		X	X	X								
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Jody Shively, Astria Sunnyside Hospital	Steve Bews, Astria Toppenish Hospital	X											
Ambulance Service	Wayne Guckert, WSA	Cameron Haubrich, SSFD			X									

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Agency/Department	Representative	Feb	April	June	Aug	Oct	Dec
South Central Region EMS & Trauma Care Council	Open	X					
Yakima Health District – Emergency Response Coordinator	Open						

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 13 members present, 9 representatives, 4 alternate and no ex-officio members. No alternates were voting at this meeting (Per By-laws Article V, Officers/Committee 5.0 Chairperson "The council Chairperson shall vote only in the case of a tie vote." Therefore, his/her alternate would be the voting member).

2. **Guests**: Chad Den Boer, SSFD, Aaron Markham, YFD and Scott Zachau, AMR,.

3. **Approval and correction of minutes**.
   Ken Eakin made a motion was made to approve the minutes from February 2, 2023, and seconded by Wayne Guckert. Motion passed.

4. **Correspondence – Diane Koch**
   Regional EMS & Trauma Care Council Membership Application for Jackie Wantland to take the place of Tammy Pettis on the Regional Council and to be the new representative to the EMS Administrative Board for the for the hospitals.

   Ken Frazier made a motion to approve the appointment of Jackie Wantland to the South Central Region EMS & Trauma Care Council and to appoint her to the EMS Administrative Board. Seconded by Ken Eakin. Motion passed.

   Acting Chief Cameron Haubrich, Sunnyside Fire Department is replacing Chief Ken Anderson on the Council. Acting Deputy Chief Den Boer will attend in Chief Haubrich's absence. It is unknown if this will be temporary or permanent at this time.

5. **Committee Reports**
   Medical Control: Kevin Hodges
   MPD meeting Yakima next Friday, April 14th, 9 am – 12 pm. Will be here afterwards to answer questions.

   Regional Council: Dave Lynde reported by Scott Zachau
   The Executive Director of the South-Central Region, Zita Wiltgen, has passed away because of complications from a recent surgery. In speaking with her daughter her passing was peaceful, and she was surrounded by family. We will be sure to share information around memorial services when we receive the information. The family is asking that flowers not be sent (severe allergies) but instead donations can be made to the Southwest Washington Humane Society.

   - We did not have a quorum for out March meeting. Our Regional Plan has been submitted and will be undergoing a review by the Steering Committee.

   Legislation:
   - **SB 1134 – 988 System** – Allows ambulances / EMS providers to meet the organization / vehicle types that make up crisis response teams and to be recognized as a crisis response team if they are in a county with a population of less than 60,000 in Eastern Washington and have taken the required training.

- **SB 5120 – 23 Hour Crisis Relief Centers** – Directs the DOH to develop guidance for protocols and procedures to allow EMS to transport patients to 23-hour crisis relief centers and allows EMS to transport to crisis relief centers

- **EMS Rulemaking –** Working very hard to finish the CR102 package and appreciate your grace and patience as our workload is unprecedentedly high as our healthcare system is still experiencing impacts from the pandemic. Final draft version rules will be available for you soon.

- **WEMSIS Rules –** Stakeholder meetings for EMS data system rulemaking concluded in March. The rules are in response to the amendment made to RCW 70.168.90 which requires licensed ambulance and aid services to report to the statewide data system. Working on the draft for public comment then move to CR-102 process. WEMSIS rulemaking timeline is aligned with the EMS rulemaking process timeline.

- **Trauma Registry –** DOH is asking for updated information on agencies Trauma Registrars and if they have the ability to access the system. They have released an RFI to identify Trauma Registry Vendors with responses due by May. The current system is non-compliant as it cannot be logged into via the SAW system. EMS and WEMSIS are nearly complete. Currently working on the CR102 package.

Projects

- **Community paramedic programs** – In 2022, Washington State Legislature approved a request for a one-time $1.5 million appropriation from General Fund-State in the 2022 Supplemental Operating Budget (ESSB 5693) to the Greater Columbia Accountable Community of Health (GCACH) to develop and implement an innovative emergency medical services program (EMSI) to bridge the gap of unmet healthcare needs in the community. The Department of Health was identified as the agency responsible for distribution of the funds to GCACH. DOH has contracted with the GCACH to provide the funding and is monitoring and providing support for the project.
  - City of Sunnyside is participating in this project

- **Health Equity Education for EMS –** Dawn Felt is working with DOH equity team and EMS educators to update the EMS Multicultural Awareness Training to include content required in newly adopted WAC 246-12-830 which requires all health care professions including EMS to take health equity continuing education every four years in response to Legislation that passed into law in 2021 (ESSB 5229). The goal is for the EMS curriculum to be updated by July 1, 2023.

- **EMS and Law Enforcement Response to Uncooperative People –** DOH EMS staff are participating on a workgroup led by the Washington State Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WSASPC), the University of Washington, Criminal Justice Training Center, and representatives from POC advocacy organizations to develop a state model policy and training guideline to improve EMS and LE response to uncooperative people experiencing excited delirium. WSASPC asked DOH EMS staff to collaborate with them to proactively work to improve response models for this purpose because of some high-profile cases with poor

outcomes that have occurred in other states. This work is ongoing and expected to conclude by summer 2023.

- **Dementia Collaborative –** Dawn Felt is working with the Dementia Collaborative to evaluate the need for tools, resources, education and training for EMS to improve how EMS responds to persons with Dementia. DOH EMS is scheduled to present an overview of EMS and current challenges EMS experiences with this population on April 26, 2023. This work is just beginning.

- **BH Co-Responder Education –** Dawn Felt continues to represent EMS on a workgroup led by UW to develop best practices, recommendations, and a model training curriculum for first responders and behavioral health professionals working on co-response teams. (SSB 5644, 2022). This work is ongoing.

- **OIC – Balanced Billing Workgroup –** Catie Holstein and Jason Norris are participating on the Balanced Billing Workgroup lead by the Office of Insurance Commissioner (OIC) in response to recent legislation that tasked the OIC with determining if ambulance services should be subject to balanced billing laws. The final draft report is due to the Legislature by October 1, 2023.

- **DOH EMS Controlled Substance Guidance –** We are working with DOH Pharmacy Commission staff to begin updating guidance for MPDs for developing policies and procedures related to controlled substances, use of expired medications when EMS experiences medication shortages, and guidance for Hospital Pharmacy Provision of Drugs to Ambulance or Aid Services after RCW 18.64.540 passed in 2015.

Other EMS Education Updates

- **NREMT Cognitive and Psychomotor & Certification Examination Updates –** NREMT is sunsetting the psychomotor examination in 2024. The cognitive exam is being re-designed as a part of this work. Dawn Felt is participating in NREMT workgroups leading this work and keeping our EMS stakeholders informed of progress, changes, and implementation dates.

- EMS prehospital KPI's have been released

SunCom: no report

Department of EMS: Tony Miller reported by Diane Koch

- Fall 2022 EMT Course – all of the students have completed National Registry. All of the students have turned in their state paperwork and should be state certified soon.
  1 student was not able to successfully complete the course and he is going to be issued an AFA certification, since he has met all of the qualifications for that certification.

- Winter EMT Course Update – completed March 30th and 13 students passed the final written exam on the first try. Of the 7 students needing to retake the exam, all have done so successfully.
  One student has already passed National Registry.

- Upcoming courses for the rest of the year – we are waiting to complete the applications, because we are in the process of determining the SEIs for the upcoming courses.
  - ✓ We do, however, want to make the council aware that we are going to send out the information for the Fall EMT course now, so we can start getting applications back and working through the pre-course process.
  - ✓ We will be bringing the applications for all of the courses for the rest of this year to the June meeting.

- Nile Fire Department has 4 people who completed the Idaho EMT course. There is a 5th who has not yet completed the course. The 4 who have completed have successfully gained Washington State certification.

- We are planning another Advanced First Aid course for May for all of the other departments, and we a list of 20 people, but have only received 7 applications so far.

- OTEP
  - ✓ Module 2 has been released in Ninth Brain
  - ✓ Module 3 filming was completed this week. We are on track to complete Module 3 and Module 4 and the associated workshops.

- The EMS Operations Manager position is open, and it will remain open until we have the position filled.

- Lucas Devices ARPA funds – County has awarded the EMS Office $550,000 to purchase 30 Lucas devices. Plan on ordering in May. Where are the going? Tony in process of contacting people.

Yakima Health District: none

6. Old Business:

A. Yakima County Operating Procedures – Dave Lynde reported that the State has approved the COPs. These were sent out to all agencies by Diane Koch.
Ken Frazier reported that no meeting was held regarding the County Operating Guidelines regarding Dispatch. A meeting will be held during April at which time the current issues will be discussed.

B. Update on Fire District #3 responding on White Pass – Tony Miller reported by Diane Koch
At this time Fire District #3 will be continuing to respond.
Joel Byam asked about the Memorandum of Understanding between Yakima County Fire District #3 and the Board of County Commissioners, as this affects all of the fire districts that

respond on EMS calls outside of their response area. Discussions were moving forward for an MOU, but this has currently stalled. Certain parties believe this should be between the State and the agency and not the County and the agency.

7. New Business

A. EMS Provider Supervisory Organization Applications – renewal for Search and Rescue and Yakima Police Department. Ken Eakin made a motion to approve these applications, seconded Sarah Dowen. Motion passed.

Dave Lynde requested that contact be made with the supervisors for the agencies and ask if they would be willing to fill the open positions on the Council.

8. Good of the Order: **none**

9. NEXT MEETING – June 1, 2023, at 14:30
In Person Location: 2403 S. 18th Street, Classrooms, Union Gap, WA
Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting
https://us05web.zoom.us/j/9498515225?pwd=dklnMEszSjNyejJ3Y1RyREh6b0xMQT09

Meeting ID: 949 851 5225
Passcode: wJm0k4

10. Adjournment – Ken Frazier made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Ken Eakin. Motion passed.

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Bi-Monthly 2023 Training Report
Months: January 1, 2023 - February 28, 2023

OTEP CLASSES

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/14/2023	2022 Makeup Workshop A (Mod 1)	YCDEMS Classrooms	3	1.00
	2022 Makeup Workshop B (Mod 2)		3	1.00
	2022 Makeup Workshop C (Mod 3)		10	1.00
	2022 Makeup Workshop D (Mod 4)		15	1.00
1/13/2023	Quarterly MPD Meeting Part 1	Zoom	35	1.00
	Quarterly MPD Meeting Part 2		35	1.00
	Quarterly MPD Meeting Part 3		35	1.00
2/1/2023	Video and Testing for Module 1 online in Ninth Brain and out to all agencies			
		TOTALS	**136**	**7.00**
		AVERAGES	**19.43**	**1.00**

IN HOUSE OTEP CLASSES

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
2/15/2023	2022 Workshop A Makeup BLS & ILS (Mod 1 Skills)	Naches Hts FD	1	2.00
2/27/2023	2023 BLS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	AMR	9	2.00
2/27/2023	2023 BLS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	ALS	6	2.00
2/27/2023	2023 ALS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	ALS	3	1.00
2/28/2023	2023 ALS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	AMR	1	1.00
		TOTALS	**19**	**6.00**
		AVERAGES	**4.75**	**1.50**

Instructor Workshop Update Class

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/12/2023	2023 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	6	1.00
1/14/2023	2023 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	6	1.00
2/23/2023	2023 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	4	1.00
2/25/2023	2023 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	2	1.00
		TOTALS	**18**	**4.00**
		AVERAGES	**4.50**	**1.00**

Washington State Supraglottic Airway Course

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/21/2023	Washington State Supraglottic Airway Course - Skills Sign Off (Didactic Done online)	YCDEMS Classrooms	6	4.00
		TOTALS	**6**	**4.00**
		AVERAGES	**6.00**	**4.00**

2023 WINTER EMT COURSE

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/5/2023	Winter EMT Course - Medical Terminology, Anatomy & Physiology, Pharmacology and Multicultural Awareness	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
1/7/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Vitals, O2-Nasal, BVM & Suction, Patient Assessment SAMPLE	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
1/12/2023	Winter EMT Course - Patient Assessment Part 1 & 2	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
1/14/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Vitals, O2-Nasal, CPR w/AED, Patient Assessment Medical	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
1/192023	Winter EMT Course - Supraglottic Airway Lecture (complete YCDEMS iGel Course in NB prior to class) Airway Management & Respiratory Emergencies	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
1/21/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - O2 w/NRB, SGA, BVM & Suction, Patient Assessment Medical and Medication Admin	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
1/26/2023	Winter EMT Course - Stress-Dave Grossman (On Combat)-Levels of Stress Reactions, EMS Systems & Work Well, Crew Resource Management, Issues & Documentation and Professional Issues & Communications	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
1/28/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - BVM w/SGA & Suction, Patient Assessment Medical (CTS), CPR w/AED and Medication Administration	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
2/2/2023	Winter EMT Course - Washington State POLST, Cardiovascular Emergencies and Stroke, Q&A & CTS	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
2/4/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - BVM w/SGA & Suction, Patient Assessment Medical (CTS), CPR w/AED and Medication Administration	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
2/9/2023	Winter EMT Course - Patient Assessment Part 1 & 2	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
2/11/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Patient Assessment Medical (CTS) and Open Skills	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
2/16/2023	Winter EMT Course - Gastrointestinal, Urologic, Immunologic, Gynecologic Emergencies & Geriatric & Patients w/Special Challenges Q&A & CTS	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
2/18/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Patient Assessment Medical, Medication Admin and Open Skills	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
2/23/2023	Winter EMT Course - Obstetrics & Pediatric Emergencies, Q&A & CTS	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	3.00
2/25/2023	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Complete Medical Skills Sign Offs & OB Lab	YCDEMS Classrooms	20	6.00
		TOTALS	**320**	**72.00**
		AVERAGES	**20.00**	**4.50**

Basic FA & CPR

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/25/2023	Adult/Infant CPR, AED & Basic First Aid (Renewal)	City of Selah, Public Works	12	4.00
2/2/2023	ASHI - CPR/AED/FA & Narcan	Union Gap PD	11	4.00
2/9/2023	ASHI - CPR/AED/FA & Narcan	Union Gap PD	7	4.00
2/22/2023	Adult/Infant CPR, AED & Basic First Aid (Renewal)	City of Selah, Public Works	13	4.00
		TOTALS	**43.00**	**16.00**
		AVERAGES	**10.75**	**4.00**

Advanced First Aid and HCP CPR

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
2/2/2023	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 1	West Valley FD	9	4.00
2/4/2023	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 1	Selah FD	19	6.00
2/4/2023	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 2	West Valley FD	9	7.00
2/5/2023	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 2	Selah FD	19	6.00
2/6/2023	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 3	West Valley FD	9	7.00
2/11/2023	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 3	Selah FD	19	6.00
		TOTALS	**84.00**	**36.00**
		AVERAGES	**14.00**	**6.00**

GRAND TOTALS	**627**	**147.00**
GRAND AVERAGES	**14.58**	**3.42**