Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council

APRIL 2024

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YAKIMA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL
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Attendance Record for January– December 2024

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	Open	X		X									
Law Enforcement	Open	Open												
Yakima County Training Officer's Association	Jim Johnston, WVFD	Open	X											
Yakima County 9-1-1	Erica McNamara, Director, SunCom 911	Angela Brown, SunCom 911	X		X									
Yakima County Department of Emergency Medical Services	Tony Miller, ES Director	Jeremy Rodriguez, EMS Ops Manager	X	X	X	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, Chair*	Jim Lange, Selah FD	X		X									
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	*Sarah Downen, MultiCare Memorial, Chair Elect*	Tiffany Hanshew, MultiCare Memorial			X									
Ambulance Service (alternate each year between ambulance services)	Dave Lynde, AMR	*Treena Russell, ALS, Past-Chair*	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								
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Jody Shively, Astria Sunnyside Hospital	Joel Cardenas, Astria Toppenish Hospital	X		X	X								
Ambulance Service	Wayne Guckert, WSA	Cameron Haubrich, SSFD	X		X									

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Agency/Department	Representative	Feb	April	June	Aug	Oct	Dec
South Central Region EMS & Trauma Care Council	April Borbon						
Yakima Health District – Emergency Response Coordinator	Andy Wilson		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 13 members present, 10 representatives, 3 alternates and 1 ex-officio members. One alternate was 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**: None

3. **Approval and correction of minutes**.
   Ken Eakin made a motion was made to approve the minutes from February 1, 2024, and Wayne Guckert seconded. Motion passed.

4. **Correspondence – Diane Koch**
   An email was received from Cally Price with the City of Yakima. The City Council had decided not to appoint anyone to the EMS & Trauma Care Council, and I was requested to remove Danny Herrera from the council.

5. **Committee Reports**
   Medical Control: Kevin Hodges
   Next MPD Quarterly Meeting will be Friday, April 12, 2024. Dr. Hodges will be here in Yakima, please attend in person if possible.

   Regional Council: Dave Lynde
   RAC TAC
   - SB 5986 https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=5986&Initiative=false&Year=2023 which is the balanced bills for ground ambulance services, was signed. There were some additions that will require the Department of Health to study the impact and what it would take to fully fund EMS.

   - SB 5940 https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=5940&Chamber=Senate&Year=2023 has passed creating a new certification of Medical Assistant EMT (MAEMT) which will allow EMTs to work in hospitals

   - The EMS rules are moving to the CR103 phase. These will become rule 30 days after filing. It is anticipated that this will done in June or July, as they are delaying until the WEMSIS rules are be completed, as these support each other.

   - Organ Transport Rules work is continuing. They are working on a preview, and they anticipate filing the CR101 April 17, 2024.

   - Dolly Fernandes, Executive Director, Washington Emergency Care System is retiring this month from the DOH. Catie Holstein will succeed. Recruitment efforts are under way to replace Catie Holstein position as the EMS Director for the Office of Community Health Systems, Emergency Care System, Health Systems Quality Assurance with the DOH.

   - There is a trauma service assessment project. This is a 9-month project, with 3 stake holder meetings. The first meeting was February 15th, the next meeting is May 16th and the final meeting is

September 24th. https://doh.wa.gov/public-health-provider-resources/emergency-medical-services-ems-systems/ems-and-trauma-care-system-assessment
They are building on past efforts and currently will be focused on trauma care, with potential for other components of the emergency care system to be added. Future analyses will take place every 2 years to align with Regional Planning, as well as help position the DOH to better support needs across the state.

- The RAC discussed revisions to their charter.
- Strategic Plan Update has accomplished a lot.
- Review of Regional Planning cycle timeline.
- We had a meeting on facilitation training from the Public Employment Relations Commission.
- We are working on a draft report for the Steering Committee for the May meeting.

Steering Committee

- Dr. Shaw discussed the ecosystem of health, the statewide assessment of trauma services, the cardiac and stroke report and recommendations of hospitals. But did identify the need for rulemaking authority and funding.
  Discussed the increase in the opioid overdoses and death rates. There are pilot projects for paramedics using buprenorphine, rural county naloxone and leave behind programs.
- Membership update and officer elections were held. Dr. Buck was reelected as the Chair.
  Discussed members terms coming to end as some of them are at the end of their maximum term.
- Update on the DOH Office of Community Health systems are doing a lot of work on the legislative issues, focusing on behavioral health and opioids. Of the 1,300 bills introduced, 450 of them need to be reviewed by the Department of Health.
- Trauma Registry update: most of the backlogged records from the hospitals have been received. They are working on validation right now. Funding is being sought in the 2025 legislative session for a new system.
- Trauma Care Fund update: Trauma supplemental Medicaid payments are subject to a maximum amount of dollars. These funds are received by hospitals and doctors currently. Working on mitigation strategies to help 4 hospitals in Washington State. There is approximately $11,000,000 and of that amount $9,000,000 is ear marked for Harborview.
- Pediatric TAC made a presentation.
- Hospital TAC: Trauma protocol subcommittee is reviewing current protocols and are working on updates and the development of new protocols. At the April 16th meeting they will be reviewing the Washington State Trauma Guidelines.

- Outcomes TAC: Working on trauma assessment project.

- IVP TAC: presentation from 3 programs.

- MPD group discussed Pulse Point and public AEDs.

Regional Council
Yakima County still has some unspent trauma funds. Diane started working on the 2nd half of the grant documentation last month and will have everything completed by the end of April.

The region is working on the PCPs and bylaws. Some adjustments need to be made in the PCPs to meet the requirements of the new trauma triage tool. We have received guidance from the State, so this should be done quickly.

The new grant process for 2024/2025 will be out in May. We will need to complete a "Needs Assessment". If we are not screaming, "we need these dollars", it is assumed we are fully funded, therefore we need to add everything that we can possibly think of.

SunComm: Erica McNamara

- **ProQA & EMD**
  County has finally signed the contract with ProQA. ProQA stated that once they have the signed contract, it is a 4-to-6-month implementation process. We are looking at fall. We have done some preliminary work. We met 2 or 3 weeks ago with a small user group to look at what for the different chief complaints. We got a lot of work done in a relatively short period of time, and I sent that out. We've had a couple of suggestions, so we'll meet a second time to flush that out. Dr. Hodges will have to look at all of those to make sure he's comfortable with those responses and those protocols. There'll be some internal training. But we are off and running.

Department of EMS: Tony Miller/Jeremy Rodriguez
Jeremy Rodriguez
Winter EMT Course
The final written final exam is tonight (4/4/2024) and the final practical exam is this Saturday (4/6/2024). Hopefully by 4 pm on Saturday I will be online to start approving students to take the NREMT exam.

We have told the students that the best chance of passing is to take the test within 1-30 days of course completion. Between 31 – 60 days the passing rate is cut in half. After that the passing rate drops to about 10%.

As a reminder, once the student is approved, and the is paid for, the student should be able to download a copy of their ATT (Attestation to Test). They will need the number from this to sign up for the exam through Pearson Vue. If you have students in the class, remind them of this, and we will be reminding them again tonight.

The Fall EMT applications should be coming out very soon. The course starts in September, but there are 2 pre-course classes that must be attended in August.

Tony Miller
OTEP
OTEP is going well, and we are finishing up the last 2 modules for 2024. We are starting to film OTEP for 2025. The only hold up is we are waiting on protocol changes, but these should be at the State by June for review.

Yakima Health District: Andy Wilson
There are no current outbreaks. However, Franklin County Health District did send out a health advisory this week for Dengue Fever for anyone traveling outside of the country.

6. Old Business:

A. Update on contract between AMR and Yakima County. Still in negotiations. Been going back and forth. Only 2 or 3 things that separated.

7. New Business

Tony Miller reported that we are looking at revising County Operating Procedure #10.1: Mass Casualty Incident (see attached). MultiCare Memorial is currently unable to fulfill the DMCC role and Kadlec has stated they do not want to do it currently. As temporary fix, either Jeremy Rodriguez or I will be the DMCC. We have a dedicated phone (which we already have) and it is programmed), and we will be sending that information to all the agencies. We will also ensure that both dispatch centers will have number. Tony worked with State and DOH to get approvals for this to be a temporary solution. We are waiting for the Department of Health to determine a long-term solution.

Jeremy will be putting together a video that will go out on Ninth Brain and will be required watching by all providers.

Tony will be discussing this with MultiCare Memorial this afternoon.

We need to have this COP approved as soon as possible. The main change is taking out Memorial and putting in the DMCC Coordinator. There were some concerns raised about how this will work and if there will be any delays. Tony and Jeremy have developed a book with all of the information and they will be able to run the DMCC from anywhere that they are.

Jeremy reminded everyone that since we only have one main hospital air resources become that much more important.

Joel Byam recommend to role EMS Transport COP into MCI COP to make it easier for providers.

Discussion followed and this will be reviewed at the Fire Chiefs meeting this month.

8. Good of the Order: None

9. NEXT MEETING – June 6, at 14:30

In Person Location: 2403 S. 18th Street, Classrooms, Union Gap, WA
Zoom information:
Topic: Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council
Time: Jun 6, 2024 02:30 PM
Every 2 months on the First Thu, until Dec 5, 2024, 7 occurrence(s)
Aug 1, 2024 02:30 PM
Oct 3, 2024 02:30 PM
Dec 5, 2024 02:30 PM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.
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10. Adjournment – Dave Lynde made a motion to adjourn, and Wayne Guckert seconded. Motion passed.

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Yakima County EMS and Trauma Care Council
Bi-Monthly 2024 Training Report
Months: January 1, 2024 - February 29, 2024

OTEP CLASSES

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/12/2024	Quarterly MPD Meeting Part 1	Zoom/Classroom	46	1.00
	Quarterly MPD Meeting Part 2		46	1.00
	Quarterly MPD Meeting Part 3		46	1.00
	Video and Testing for Module 1 online in Ninth Brain and out to all agencies			
		TOTALS	**138**	**3.00**
		AVERAGES	**46.00**	**1.00**

IN HOUSE OTEP CLASSES

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/9/2024	2022 BLS Workshop D (Mod 4 Skills)	Zillah	1	2.00
1/31/2024	2023 BLS Workshop B (Mod 2 Skills)	East Valley	1	2.00
2/7/2024	2022 Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	Naches FD	1	2.00
2/13/2024	2024 BLS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	ALS		2.00
	2024 ILS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)			1.00
	2024 ALS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)			1.00
2/26/2024	2024 BLS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	AMR		2.00
	2024 ILS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)			1.00
	2024 ALS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)			1.00
2/29/2024	2024 BLS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)	AMR		2.00
	2024 ILS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)			1.00
	2024 ALS Workshop A (Mod 1 Skills)			1.00
		TOTALS	**3**	**18.00**
		AVERAGES	**1.00**	**1.50**

Instructor Workshop Update Class

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/10/2024	2024 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	8	2.00
1/17/2024	2024 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	4	2.00
2/3/2024	2024 Workshop A Instructor	YCDEMS Classrooms	1	1.00
		TOTALS	**13**	**5.00**
		AVERAGES	**4.33**	**1.67**

Specialty Classes

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/20/2024	Washington State Supraglottic Airway Course - Skills Sign Off (Didactic Done online) - part of EMT Course	YCDEMS Classrooms	4	6.00
1/31/2024	Lucas Device Train the Trainer	YCDEMS Classrooms	14	4.00
		TOTALS	**18**	**10.00**
		AVERAGES	**9.00**	**5.00**

2024 WINTER EMT COURSE

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
1/4/24	Winter EMT Course - Medical Terminology, Anatomy & Physiology, Pharmacology and Multicultural Awareness	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
1/6/24	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Vitals, O2-Nasal, BVM & Suction, Patient Assessment SAMPLE	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
1/11/24	Winter EMT Course - Patient Assessment Part 1 & 2	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
1/13/24	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Vitals, O2-Nasal, CPR w/AED, Patient Assessment Medical, Glucometer Training	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
1/18/24	Winter EMT Course - Supraglottic Airway Lecture (complete YCDEMS iGel Course in NB prior to class) Airway Management & Respiratory Emergencies	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
1/20/24	Winter EMT Course - Skills - O2 w/NRB, SGA, BVM & Suction, Patient Assessment Medical and Medication Admin	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
1/25/24	Winter EMT Course - EMS Systems & Work Well, Crew Resource Management, Issues & Documentation and Professional Issues & Communications	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
1/27/24	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Patient Assessment Medical (CTS), CPR w/AED and Medication Administration	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
2/1/2024	Winter EMT Course - Cardiovascular Emergencies and Stroke	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
2/3/2024	Winter EMT Course - Skills - BVM w/SGA & Suction, Patient Assessment Medical (CTS), CPR w/AED and Medication Administration	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
2/8/2024	Winter EMT Course - Medical Overview & Infectious Disease, Neurologic, Endocrine & Hematologic Emergencies, Toxicology & Psychiatric Emergencies	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
2/10/2024	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Patient Assessment Medical (CTS) and Open Skills	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
2/15/2024	Winter EMT Course - PRACTICE SOAP, Gastrointestinal, Urologic, Immunologic, Gynecologic Emergencies & Geriatric & Patients w/Special Challenges	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
2/17/2024	Winter EMT Course - Skills - Patient Assessment Medical, Medication Admin and Open Skills	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
2/22/2024	Winter EMT Course - Obstetrics & Pediatric Emergencies	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	2.00
2/29/2024	Winter EMT Course - Trauma Overview	YCDEMS Classrooms	17	6.00
		TOTALS	**272**	**64.00**
		AVERAGES	**17.00**	**4.00**

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Advanced First Aid and HCP CPR

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
2/3/2024	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 1	Selah FD	22	8.00
2/4/2024	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 2	Selah FD	22	8.00
2/10/2024	Advanced First Aid Course - Day 3	Selah FD	22	8.00
		TOTALS	**66.00**	**24.00**
		AVERAGES	**22.00**	**8.00**

	Students	Hours
GRAND TOTALS	**510**	**124.00**
GRAND AVERAGES	**17.00**	**3.18**