

Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council



DECEMBER 2021 MINUTES



YAKIMA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL
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Attendance Record for January– December 2021

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									
Elected Official (Fire Commissioner/Mayor/City Council Member)	Ken Eakin, Fire Commissioner, WVFD	Open	X	X	X		X		X	X		X	X	
Law Enforcement	Open	Open												
Yakima County Training Officer's Association	Jim Johnston, WVFD	Open	X						X				X	
Yakima County 9-1-1	Erica McNamara, Director, SunCom 911	Stacey Garcia, SunCom 911		X	X					X		X	X	X
Yakima County Department of Emergency Medical Services	Tony Miller, ES Director	Brian Ireton, EMS Ops Manager	X	X		X		X			X	X	X	X
	Diane Koch, Secretary	None	X		X		X				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, Glead FD	Jim Lange, Selah FD	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Tammy Pettis, YVMH	Open	X		X		X				X		X	
Ambulance Service (alternate each year between ambulance services)	Dave Lynde, AMR	Treena Russell, ALS	X		X		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, Past-Chair	X		X									X
Hospital (Nursing Administration)	Katrina Peck, Trauma Program Coordinator, Astria Toppenish Hospital	Open	X		X		X				X			
Ambulance Service	Wayne Guckert, WSA, Chair	Ken Anderson, SSFD	X		X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Agency/Department	Representative	Feb	April	June	Aug	Oct	Dec
South Central Region EMS & Trauma Care Council	Zita Wiltgen	X	X			X	
Yakima Health District – Emergency Response Coordinator	Nathan Johnson	X		X		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. Nine representatives and four alternates. Two alternates were voting at this meeting.

2. **Guests:** Kim Bersing, YVMH, Jacob Grant, Advanced Life Systems, and Kate Knudson, Airlift NW.

3. **Approval and correction of minutes.**
Dave Lynde made a motion to approve the minutes from October 7, 2021, seconded by Joel Byam. Motion passed.

4. **Correspondence** – None

5. **Committee Reports**
Medical Control: Kevin Hodges – None

Regional Council: Dave Lynde

❖ **EMS Rulemaking**

- Trauma Rules – On January 8, 2021, the Department of Health filed a CR-101 (WSR-21-03-011 attached) with the Office of the Code Reviser to consider amendments to sections of WAC 246-976-580. The goal of this rules work is to establish clear requirements and criteria for assessing the need for new level I and II trauma facilities in the state. The next meeting is January 13, 2022.

There will be a series of rulemaking workshops held over the coming months to consider draft rules. The rulemaking process is open to the public and the department encourages your input and participation. Participation from the east side of the state is encouraged. This is a link to draft WAC: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/2900/WAC246-976-700-Draft20170510.pdf>

Comments can be submitted in addition to or in lieu of workshop meeting attendance. Please submit all rules comments to traumadesignation@doh.wa.gov.

For more information or to learn more about how you can participate in the department's rulemaking process, please feel free to contact me at anthony.bledsoe@doh.wa.gov.

- EMS rules – we have reviewed the 33 sections of EMS rules that we are proposing amendments to in WAC 246-976 for EMS rulemaking. We are drafting proposed amendments in the official format we are required to use and will make the draft available to stakeholders for review as soon as we are done. Then we will move into the CR102 phase of rulemaking. We are 2/3 of the way through cross walking proposed amendments into the CR format. Hoping to have complete first quarter of 2022.



- 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. We are working on the draft for public comment then we'll move to CR-102 process. Estimated complete 2023

❖ **Injury and Violence Prevention TAC and the IVP Section Updates**

- The DOH Fall Prevention website has been recently updated. The website can be found at: www.doh.wa.gov/findingourbalance

Of particular note on the website is the statewide fall prevention campaign called "Finding Our Balance Prevent Slips, Trips & Stumbles". Fall prevention flyers can be found on the website and can be shared/used by anyone-EMS/FD/hospitals, community groups, etcetera.

Information can be found on the DOH website - [Older Adult Falls Resources :: Washington State Department of Health](#)

DOH is available to assist fire/EMS agencies and hospitals to create and develop a fall prevention program. One example is the exciting success of the new North Central Fall Prevention Coalition(Douglas/Chelan) hosted by Confluence Health. DOH is happy to assist other organizations in developing a fall prevention coalition.

If you are interested please contact Alan Abe at DOH alan.abe@doh.wa.gov

❖ **Steering Committee**

- Meetings will remain virtual for 2022
- Trauma registry platform up and running again. Will begin releasing data January of 2022
- New director for the Office of Community Health Systems is Ian Corbridge.

❖ **Regional Council**

- Voted to reinvest our CD for another 5 years
- Discussion around COPS for county councils
- Training grants are available now and Yakima County has already submitted for the first half of the FY 21/22 Training Grant.
- WEMSIS data report reviewed for the Region. Discussion on why 1100 points deducted for cardiac arrest for Yakima County. Yakima County is currently entering 96.9% of all calls. There were 23,000 calls for all of the South Central Region and Yakima County had 11,000 of those calls. We will get more information on the point deduction when it becomes available.
- Kittitas having a RN to EMT class in May in conjunction with ALNW

- ❖ The Washington State Department of Health's Behavioral Health Group is pleased to offer **December** trainings for PsySTART Responder (PsySTART-R).

PsySTART-R is an evidence-based method for healthcare workers, first responders, and



healthcare systems to build resilience, anticipate and track stressors, and develop individualized coping plans during critical incidents. After training, individuals set up their personal PsySTART account online, allowing them to track and graph their exposure to certain events that are more predictive of psychological risk, and set up a personal coping plan to address the risks. **Only the individual can see and access their triage information.**
 Note: Users may need to update their accounts after system updates occur.

Additionally, organizational leads can access **de-identified**, aggregated information on how their staff are doing and their risk levels. This information can be tracked to identify trends in real time, allowing the organization to modify levels of support and offer early intervention as needed. This provides situational awareness and builds resilience within the organization.

Training Details

- No cost to you or your organization
- No more than 30 minutes
- Held virtually in Zoom webinar
- Taught by professionals with disaster response expertise

The link to register is: [Monday, Dec 13, 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.](#)

Joel Byam asked if Dennis Blumer retiring from SSFD has any effect on him representing the Council at the Region? Dave Lynde will double check for the Council.

If your agency is need of Pediatric Tapes, please contact Dave Lynde, as he has those for distribution. dave.lynde@gmr.net

SunCom: Erica McNamara

SunComm has 2 brand new hires and more interviews on Friday. Recruitment for dispatch centers around the state are difficult. Working on hiring more.

Stacy Garcia has been working with AMR, ALS, and the Fire Districts with dispatching BLS ambulances. A few hiccups with IT, but it is going well.

Department of EMS: Tony Miller

- The 2022 EMT Academy has 15 students. In November a Healthcare Provider CPR course was done for all of the students, and the orientation meeting was held.
- The 2021 Rural EMT Course is on track and continuing. There are 2 more weeks before the course is complete. There was only 1 student from outside of Yakima County.

Yakima Health District: Nathan Johnson - None



6. Old Business:

- A. The County Operating Procedures need to be updated to match Regional and State requirements. Dave Lynde will be coordinating a group to work on these.
- B. Nominations Committee Appointment – Dave Lynde, Chair of the Nominations Committee presented the following:
 Ken Eakin, West Valley Fire Commissioner, Chair for 2022
 Treena Russell, ALS Operations Manager, as the Chair Elect 2022 (Chair in 2023)
 Diane Koch, EMS as the Secretary for 2022
 Additional nominations were called for 3 times, hearing none, a motion to approve the nominations as presented was made by Dave Lynde and seconded Joel Byam. Motion passed.

7. New Business – None

8. Good of the Order – None

9. NEXT MEETING – February 3, 2022, at 13:30

In person: Yakima County Resource Building Classrooms, 2403 S. 18th Street, Union Gap, WA

Zoom:

Topic: Yakima County EMS & Trauma Care Council
 Time: Feb 3, 2022, 01:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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10. Adjournment – Joel Byam made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Lynde. Motion approved.



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Bi-Monthly 2021 Training Report
Months: September 1, 2021 - October 31, 2021

OTEP CLASSES

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
9/1/2021	Video and Testing for Modules 5 & 6 on-line and out to all agencies			
9/22/2021	2021 ILS Workshop C	GCFD#8 @ Mattawa	5	1.00
	2021 Workshop C (Mod 5&6 Skills)		10	2.00
10/4/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	FD #5, St#1 White Swan	2	2.00
10/5/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #51 - Day Drill	7	2.00
10/6/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Selah FD, St #21&22 @ 21	8	2.00
10/6/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Selah FD, St #24&26 @ 24	16	2.00
10/7/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Training Center FD	8	2.00
10/7/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	FD #5, St#15 @ Mabton	canceled by agency/per agency no reschedule needed	
10/7/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	FD #5, St#3 & St#4 @ Harrah	7	2.00
10/9/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	FD #5, St#10 @ Zillah	9	2.00
10/13/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #51	6	2.00
10/13/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	West Valley FD, St #53	6	2.00
10/13/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	Yakima Training Center FD	9	2.00
10/14/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St#9 @ Toppenish	9	2.00
10/19/2021	2021 Workshop C (Mod 5&6 Skills)	KCFD#2 @ Bickleton	7	2.00
	Workshop C IV Supplies to Check off Brown & Jensen		2	1.00
10/19/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	Nile FD	3	2.00
	Workshop C IV Supplies to Check off Hopwood		1	1.00
10/20/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St#14 @ Grandview	11	2.00
10/21/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St#6 @ Wapato	9	2.00
10/25/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St#5 & 7 @ Sawyer	16	2.00
10/26/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod 5&6)	FD #5, St#11, St#12 & St#16 @ Outlook	9	2.00
10/26/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	Naches FD	14	2.00
10/27/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	FD #5, St#13 @ Sunnyside	26	2.00
10/27/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	West Valley FD, St #52	5	2.00
10/27/2021	2021 Skills Workshop C (Mod5&6)	West Valley FD, St #54	27	2.00
TOTALS			232	47.00
AVERAGES			9.28	1.88

OTEP MAKEUPS

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
9/14/2021	2021 Makeup Workshop A (Mod 1 & 2)	YCDEMS Classrooms	11	2.00
	2021 Makeup Workshop B (Mod 3 & 4)		15	2.00
9/16/2021	2021 Makeup Workshop A (Mod 1 & 2)	YCDEMS Classrooms	12	2.00
	2021 Makeup Workshop B (Mod 3 & 4)		10	2.00
9/17/2021	2021 Makeup Workshop A (Mod 1 & 2)	YCDEMS Classrooms	9	2.00
	2021 Makeup Workshop B (Mod 3 & 4)		10	2.00
TOTALS			67	12.00
AVERAGES			11.17	2.00



IN-HOUSE OTEP & MAKEUPS

Date	Class	Location	Students	Hours
9/1/2021	2021 Workshop A (Mod 1 & 2)	Advanced Life Systems	6	2.00
9/1/2021	2021 Workshop B (Mod 3 & 4)	Advanced Life Systems	5	2.00
9/20/2021	2021 Workshop C (Mod 5 & 6)	American Medical Response	3	2.00
9/23/2021	2021 Workshop C (Mod 5 & 6)	American Medical Response	11	2.00
TOTALS			25	8.00
AVERAGES			6.25	2.00

2021 IV ENDORSEMENT COURSE

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION	Students	Hours
9/1/2021	EMT--IV Written Final	YCDEMS Classrooms	8	2.00
TOTALS			8	2.00
AVERAGES			8.00	2.00

2021 RURAL EMT COURSE

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION	Students	Hours
9/18/2021	Rural EMT - Orientation	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	2
9/23/2021	Rural EMT - Question/Answer & Review	Zoom Live	8	2
9/25/2021	Rural EMT - Medical Terminology, Anatomy & Physiology, Life Span Development, Pharmacology, Multicultural Awareness & Practicals	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	5
9/30/2021	Rural EMT - Vitals and Intro to Patient Assessment Medical	Zoom Live	8	2
10/2/2021	Rural EMT - Patient Assessment & Practicals	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	5
10/7/2021	Rural EMT - Supraglottic Airway Course	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	2
10/9/2021	Rural EMT - Airway Management & Respiratory Emergencies & Practicals	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	5
10/14/2021	Rural EMT - Patient Assessment Medical & Medications Administration	Zoom Live	8	2
10/16/2021	Rural EMT - EMS Systems & Workforce Wellness, Crew Resource Management, Issues & Documentation, Professional Issues and Communications & Practicals	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	5
10/21/2021	Rural EMT - WA POLST, Q&A - (CTS) Critical Thinking Scenario & Documentation	Zoom Live	8	2
10/23/2021	Rural EMT - Cardiovascular Emergencies, Stroke & Practicals	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	5
10/28/2021	Rural EMT - Q&A - (CTS) Critical Thinking Scenario & Documentation	Zoom Live	8	2
10/30/2021	Rural EMT - Medical Overview and Infectious Disease, Gastrointestinal, Endocrine and Hematologic Emergencies, Toxicology and Psychiatric Emergencies & Practicals	YCDEMS Classrooms/Zoom Live	8	5
TOTALS			104	44.00
AVERAGES			8.00	3.38



WASHINGTON STATE EVALUATOR COURSES

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION	Students	Hours
10/9/2021	Washington State EMS Evaluator Workshop Refresher	YCDEMS Classrooms	3	4
TOTALS			3	4.0
AVERAGES			3.00	4.00

2021 OTEP WORKSHOP C INSTRUCTOR UPDATE

DATE	SUBJECT	LOCATION	Students	Hours
9/2/2022	Instructor 2021 Workshop C Update	YCDEMS Classrooms	5	2
9/4/2022	Instructor 2021 Workshop C Update	YCDEMS Classrooms	3	2
TOTALS			8	4.00
AVERAGES			4.00	2.00

	Students	Hours
OVERALL TOTALS	422	113.00
OVERALL AVERAGES	8.40	2.33