



Mobile Integrated Healthcare Advisory Committee

A subcommittee of the Indiana EMS Commission

Date: June 9, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m. EST

Location: MADE Facility

1610 Reeves Rd

Plainfield, IN 46168

As well as via Microsoft Teams online

Members present: Dr. Eric Yazel, Director Kraig Kinney, Samantha Swearingen (proxy for Paul Miller), Steve Davison, Shane Hardwick, Andy VanZee, and Jarrod Sights.

Members present via teams (virtual): William Gossett (proxy for Dr. Jan Kornilow), Chad Owen and Nate Mets

Others Present: Robin Stump, Emily Castor, other staff members, and EMS Community members.

Absent Members: Mary Reilly, Keith Mason, Lindsey Weaver, and Laura Schwab-Reese

Roll Call

Director Kinney welcomed everyone, and Emily Castor called roll and quorum was determined.

Adoption of Minutes

Director Kinney asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from April 14th, 2023.

A motion was made by Andy VanZee to approve minutes from the April 14th, 2023 meeting. The motion was seconded by Jarrod Sights.

Roll call vote taken:

**Dr. Yazel: Yes Director Kinney: Yes Samantha Swearingen: Yes
William Gossett: Yes Steve Davison: Yes Chad Owen: Obstain
Shane Hardwick: Yes Andy VanZee: Yes Nate Metz: Yes
Jarrod Sights: Yes**

The motion passed and previous minutes were approved.

MEMBERSHIP

Dr. Eric Yazel, State EMS
Medical Director

Kraig Kinney, State EMS
Director

Dr. Jan Kornilow, EMS Medical
Director Representative

Chief Paul Miller, MIH-CP
Program Director

Steve Davison, Municipal MIH-
CP Program

Chad Owen, Non-municipal
MIH-CP Program

Laura Schwab-Reese, PhD
College/University

Shane Hardwick, MIH-CP
Provider

Mary Reilly, FSSA
Representative

Keith Mason, Insurance
Industry Representative

Dr. Lindsay Weaver, Indiana
State Department of Health
Representative

Andy VanZee, Indiana Hospital
Association Representative

Nate Metz, Indiana Emergency
Medical Services Association

Jarrod Sights, Indiana Fire
Chiefs Association

Reports

Director Kinney gave an update regarding the state of MIH and stated that he will be attending NASEMSO Conference in Reno, NV and while there will hopefully be attending the MIH Committee Meeting. The committee meeting regularly has good discussion regarding MIH on a national level and issues other states may be experiencing and how they overcome those obstacles. Director Kinney then spoke on local events referencing the recent legislative session ending and as part of that, there were a few items that will be helpful for MIH moving forward. First being the six recipients from last budget cycle that were rewarded \$100,000 that we requested and received over a two-year period. Starting this fiscal year, beginning in July, we will have \$500,000 each year for the next two years. Director Kinney states that the application opportunities for this funding will open soon. He also stated that we also received an additional \$5.7 million in EMS Readiness Funding as part of the Governors Public Health Commission. MIH can be funded within this, and the state is looking into different opportunities on how to use this funding. The state is also seriously considering the purchase of a statewide MIH reporting system. It would be available to approved programs, free of charge, and be offered during the budget period with the hopes of getting sustainable funding for this moving forward. Dr. Yazel reiterates the importance of data collection for the programs to show your financial impact, giving data such as, “dropped 911 calls by X percent”, or keeping track of your referrals for wrap around services. Dr. Yazel also states that he and Nick Green, from Monticello Fire and MIH, will be presenting at IRHA about MIH and some of the major impacts it’s had on some of our communities. He then acknowledged and thanked committee member Steve Davison for his support regarding Mobile Integrated Health and for his years of service as he recently announced his upcoming retirement.

Program Overview

Layne Mounsey, Brian Pope, and Haley Dahlhoff from the Indiana Department of Health Virology Lab presented on the ILINet Sentinel Site program. This is a program that monitors influenza-like illness activity during influenza season every year. The information provided by these sites are used to guide the prevention and control activities, patient care and vaccine development for Indiana and the US. This is a free and completely volunteer program. The objective of this program is to monitor influenza-like illness (ILI) activity, rapidly detect novel influenza events, determination of circulating flu viruses and non-flu respiratory viruses, as well as respond to community or institutional ILI outbreaks. To become an ILINet Sentinel Site participant you will complete the IDOH ILINet enrollment form, commit to reporting ILI activity on a weekly basis during the flu season and commit to sending weekly respiratory specimens to IDOH Labs for testing and subtyping. For more information visit the IDOH Influenza homepage at <https://www.in.gov/health/idepd/influenza/>.

New Business

Emily Castor reviewed the application and the information that is being collected then reviewed the reason for the application process. Emily gave an overview of the pending application: Scott County EMS.

A motion was made by Andy VanZee to recommend approval of Mobile Integrated Health program to the EMS Commission. The motion was seconded by Steve Davison. Roll call vote taken:

The motion passed. All application was approved.

**Dr. Yazel: Yes Director Kinney: Yes Samantha Swearingen: Yes William Gossett: Yes
Steve Davison: Yes Chad Owen: Yes Shane Hardwick: Yes Andy VanZee: Yes
Nate Metz: Yes Jarrod Sights: Yes**

Director Kinney gave recognition to Steve Davison as he will be retiring at the end of June and with that has given his resignation from the committee. We thank him for his participation within Mobile Integrated Health, as he was an inaugural member in 2020. Director Kinney thanked Chief Davison on behalf of EMS overall. With Chief Davison's departure from the committee, it will leave a vacancy for his position, Municipal MIH/CP Representative.

Steve Davison then spoke to the committee and would like the committee to consider Captain Joe Harding as his successor. Captain Harding has been with the Fishers MIH program since its beginning in 2015, where he was a leading member of the committee that put together the groundwork for the birth of the program. He and another member of his team travelled to the UK where they gave a presentation on their program in 2018 at the International Association of Community Paramedicine. Chief Davison states that Captain Harding would represent the committee well.

Director Kinney then states that we will see what interest is received for the position vacancy and then will make a designation. There was no objection from the committee at this time.

Old Business

Director Kinney states that the agency pursued a proclamation via the Governor for Mobile Integrated Health to have a special week in the month of October and there will be further messaging on this event in the future. The final item of business is MIH Subcommittees. At the last meeting the committee authorized Director Kinney to create subcommittees and after further discussion with MIH Coordinator, Emily Castor, and Dr. Yazel, we elected to create three subcommittees. Those will be as follows: Individual credentialing, which will focus on education, provider certifications or an endorsement on how we will work. Organization credentialing which will pertain to operating parameters, protocols, and possible program approval modifications. The final subcommittee will be Sustainability and that would look at grants as well as long term funding for the future state of MIH in Indiana.

Director Kinney states that Nate Metz has volunteered to be chairman of the Sustainability Subcommittee. The subcommittee survey was sent to all MIH programs associated with the state and at the time of the meeting had received 11 responses in participation with the subcommittees. Director Kinney did encourage that subcommittee chairpersons be MIH committee members so that they can meet with their teams then report back to the committee. At this time, committee member Shane Hardwick volunteered to be chairperson to the Individual Credentialing Subcommittee. There were no further volunteers for subcommittees. If you are interested, please reach out to either Director Kinney or Emily Castor.

Next Mobile Integrated Health Committee meeting will be **August 11th, 2023**, at 10am. Location will be at MADE.

Director Kinney adjourned the meeting by consensus at 11:04 am.