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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: June 7, 2013

10:00 A.M.

LOCATION: Brownsburg Fire Territory
470 East Northfield Drive
Brownsburg, IN 46112

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| John Zartman | (Training Institution) |
| Charles Valentine | (Municipal Fire) |
| G. Lee Turpen II | (Private Ambulance) |
| Melanie Jane Craigin | (Hospital EMS) |
| Myron Mackey | (EMTs) |
| Terri Hamilton | (Volunteer EMS) |
| Mike Garvey | (Interm Director of Training and Preparedness) |
| Darin Hoggatt | (Paramedics) |
| Sue Dunham | (Emergency Nurses) |



Stephen Champion (Medical Doctor)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Olinger (Trauma Physicians)
Michael Lockard (General Public)
Ed Gordon (Volunteer Fire EMS)

OTHERS PRESENT: Executive Director of IDHS John Hill, Elizabeth Fiato, Field Staff (Robin Stump, Don Watson, Steve Gressmire, Jenna Rossio, Jason Smith), Mara Snyder, Judge Gary Bippus, IDHS Staff, and members of the EMS Community

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. Candice Hilton called roll and announced quorum. Chairman Turpen led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Turpen called for a moment of silence in remembrance of the helicopter crash victims involving a crew from Air EVAC that occurred the morning of the meeting.

No action was needed by the Commission. No action was taken.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to adopt the minutes of the March 22, 2013 meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Motion passed.

Data Registry

Fire Marshal Greeson reported that IDHS has been working with EMS provider organizations since February to get them compliant with the data registry rules. Marshal Greeson thanked the Commission for passing the waiver at the March meeting to require only the NEMESIS data elements. He stated that it is helping make it easier to get providers reporting. Marshal Greeson stated that IDHS was still in line to reach the deadline of June 30, 2013 to have the large providers on line with the new Firehouse dot net program. He further stated that field services staff is helping the Fire Marshal's office to reach out to EMS providers around the state. IDHS has reached out to 361 providers around the state to help get them reporting. The dot net portal is now up, running, and receiving data. We have currently received over 700 reports in the dot net site. Fire Marshal Greeson also has found out that IDHS does not have to do anything to our data to make it ready to send to the Indiana Health Department.

Chairman Turpen thanked Fire Marshal Greeson for the good news.

STAFF REPORT

Training Report

Mrs. Liz Fiato reported that IDHS in conjunction with the Fire Chief's association is happy to announce the return of the ambulance competition coinciding with the Indiana Emergency Responders Conference. The event is an opportunity for teams of all skill levels to demonstrate their expertise in the EMS field and to compete against each other in scenario based challenges. Registration is now opened at www.indianaerc.com please spread the word so we can get teams signed up for this event. Also registration is now opened for the Indiana Emergency Response Conference. The conference will be August 21-24 at the Sheridan Indianapolis Hotel at Keystone. There will be free parking and over 125 classes with 25 ½ accepted hours for continuing education.

Individual Certification Report- See attachment #1. Submitted for informational purposes. Commissioner Mackey stated that it is concerning that we are down 137 people within one quarter. Mrs. Fiato stated that IDHS is in the process of getting our data up to date. Staff is working hard to get the most accurate information to the Commission members. Commissioner Mackey stated that he did some calculations and according to his calculations no one will be in EMS in 12 ½ years if we do not do something to help keep individuals in the EMS profession. Commissioner Mackey commended Ms. Candice Hilton on her work on gathering the information presented to the Commission concerning the certification reports and that this is the best information that they have had in years. Chairman Turpen stated we do have some potential to face some challenges in the not to distance future with community based para medicine issue. It could potential expand the paramedic work force. He further states that in his geographic area they are seeing an increase in people taking the paramedic classes. It has been a long time since they have seen 18 to 20 students enrolled in a class.

Provider Certification Report- See attachment #2. Submitted for informational purposes.

EMS PERSONNEL WAIVER REQUEST

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-2 application for original certification or certification renewal Authority: IC 16-31-2-7 Affected: IC 16-31 (e) If a properly completed renewal application is submitted within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the expiration of the certification, together with the required documentation to show that the applicant has completed all required continuing education within the two (2) years prior to the expiration of the certification, and a fifty dollar (\$50) reapplication fee, the certification will be reinstated on the date that the commission staff determines that the required application, documentation, and reapplication fee have been properly submitted. The expiration date will be two (2) years from the expiration of the previous, expired certification. Mr. Bowman is requesting a waiver of the \$50 reapplication fee due to financial hardship because of an injury and being out of work. Staff abstains.

Brent Bowman – EMR

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to deny this waiver request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Craigin. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Rule 4. Certification of Emergency Medical Technician 836 IAC 4-4-1 general certification provisions authority: IC 16-31-2-7 Affected: IC 16-31-3 (3) Pass the emergency medical technician written and practical skills examinations as set forth and approved by the commission. (b) the applicant shall apply for certification on forms provided by the agency postmarked within one (1) year of the date that the course was concluded as shown on the course report. Chelsea Burris' EMT course ended 5/4/12. She has been unable to complete her written exam due to medical issues. She is requesting a one month waiver to take her written exam. She has not taken any of her three (3) attempts to date. Staff recommends approval. Staff recommends a three (3) month extension to complete her EMT written exam.

Chelsea Burris- EMT Basic

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to grant a three (3) month extension. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Champion. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-3-2 certification standards authority: IC 16-31-2-7; IC 16-31-3-14; IC 16-31-3-14.5; IC 16-31-3-20 affected: IC 16-31-2-8; IC 16-31-3 (c) To renew a certification, a first responder shall submit a report of continuing education every two (2) years that meets or exceeds the minimum requirement to take and report twenty (20) hours of continuing education according to the following: (1) Participate in a minimum of sixteen (16) hours of any combination of lectures, critiques, skills proficiency examination, or audit and review that reviews subject matter presented in the skills proficiency examination, or audit and review that reviews subject matter presented in the Indiana first responder curriculum. (2) Participate in a minimum of four (4) hours in defibrillation and airway management as presented in the Indiana first responder curriculum. Mr. Crabtree did not turn in his inservice prior to his expiration date. 8 of his 20 CEU hours were obtained after his expiration

date. Staff recommends denial. Mr. Crabtree can retest based on previous certification.

Donald Crabtree-EMR

A motion was made by Commissioner Hamilton to deny the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Rule 4. Certification of emergency medical technicians 836 IAC 4-4-1 general certification provisions authority: IC 16-31-2-7 affected: IC 16-31-3 (3) pass the emergency medical technician written and practical skills examinations as set forth and approved by the commission. (b) the applicant shall apply for certification on forms provided by the agency postmarked within one (1) year of the date that the course was concluded as shown on the course report. Ms. Eastridge has taken 3 of her 3 attempts to pass her EMT exam. She is requesting another chance to pass her written exam. Staff recommends denial.

Morgan Eastridge – EMT

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to deny the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Commission Valentine. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-9-6 paramedic certification based upon reciprocity. Authority: IC 16-31-2-7; IC 16-31-3-14; IC 16-31-3-14.5; IC 16-31-3-20 affected: IC 16-31-3. (1) the duration of the applicant's current certificate or license; or (2) a period not to exceed six (6) months from the date that the reciprocity request is approved by the director; whichever period of time is shorter. A person receiving temporary certification may apply for full certification using the procedure required in section 1 of this rule. Mr. Honnert has temporary reciprocity from Ohio that is due to expire on June 18, 2013. He is requesting an extension due to cost and distance prohibiting him from completing the exam prior to now. Staff recommends a three month extension.

Shawn Honnert – Paramedic

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to grant a three (3) month extension. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion was passed.

The following requested a waiver of Rule 4. Certification of emergency medical technicians 836 IAC 4-4-1 general certification provisions authority: IC 16-31-2-7 affected: IC 16-31-3 Sec 1 (a) applicants for original certification as an emergency medical technician shall meet the following requirements: (1) be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age. (2) successfully complete the Indiana basic emergency medical technician training course as approved by the commission and administered by a certified training institution. (3) pass the emergency medical technician written and practical skills examinations as set forth and approved by the commission. (b) the applicant shall apply for certification on forms provided by the agency postmarked within one (1) year of the date that the course was concluded as shown on the course report. Mr. Mayer was unable to complete his written testing for his EMT due to an injury and out of town work. Upon his return to the area, his one year had passed. He is requesting a waiver of the one year requirement to complete his EMT testing.

John R Mayer Jr –EMT

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoggatt to grant a three (3) month extension. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Champion. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Rule 4 certification of emergency medical technician 836 IAC 4-4-1 general certification provisions authority: IC 16-31-2-7 affected: IC 16-31-3 Sec. 1 (a) application for original certification as an emergency medical technician shall meet the following requirements: (3) Pass the emergency medical technician written and practical skills examination as set forth and approved by the commission.

Mr. Miller took the EMT exam 3 times and failed. He is requesting another attempt to pass the EMT exam without retaking the class. He offers that he will go to remediation again as an alternative action in lieu of compliance with the rule. Staff recommends denial

John Miller – EMT Basic

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to deny the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Section 34 (a) this section supersedes 836 IAC 4-7-1. (b) emergency medical technician-basic advanced training shall not be provided after June 30, 2012. Mr. Phelps is requesting a waiver of the above emergency rule. He completed his basic-advanced EMT course on 1/26/2012. He failed his exam twice and had to be remediated before he could take it a third time. He has now found an instructor willing to remediate him, and he wishes his 3rd attempt to pass the basic advanced exam. Staff recommends approval. Provide proof of remediation and student can take exam within the next three (3) months.

David R. Phelps- EMT Basic-Advanced

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve a three (3) month extension. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Champion. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Section 49. (b) An applicant for certification as an advanced emergency medical technician who currently is certified as an emergency medical technician-basic advanced shall meet the following requirements: (1) successfully complete a bridge training course approved by the commission. (2) pass the advanced emergency medical technician written and practical skills examinations as approved by the commission. Yoder, Bobay, and Crowder are all RNs as well as EMT Basic Advances. They are requesting a waiver of section 49 (b) (1) based upon their coursework to attain their RN license, working in the ER, and all currently holding ACLS, ENCP (Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course), NCC

(Trauma Nursing Core Course), and PEPP certifications. Staff abstains. Scott Yoder spoke on behalf of these individuals which are his employees.

Heather Yoder-EMT Basic-advanced and RN

Robin Bobay-EMT Basic-advanced and RN

David Crowder- EMT Basic-advanced and RN

A motion was made by IDHS Chief of Staff Garvey to accept the waiver request to not take the bridge course for EMT Basic advanced to Advanced EMT based on their training as RNs but to take the National Registry test to gain their Advanced EMT certification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

EMS PROVIDER WAIVER REQUEST

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 3-2-6 Equipment list Authority: IC 16-31-2-7; IC 16-31-3-20 Affected: IC 16-31-3-20 Sec. 6. (a) The advanced life support rotorcraft ambulance service provider organization shall ensure that the following basic life support and advanced life support equipment is carried on board each rotorcraft ambulance at the time of dispatch: (1) Portable suction apparatus, capable of a minimum vacuum of three hundred (300) millimeters of mercury, equipped with wide-bore tubing and other rigid and soft pharyngeal suction tips. (2) Oropharyngeal airways (adult, child, and infant sizes). (3) Nasopharyngeal airways (small, 20-24 french; medium, 26-30 french; large, 30 french or greater). (4) Bag mask ventilation units, hand operated, one (1) unit in each of the following sizes, each equipped with clear face masks and oxygen reservoirs with oxygen tubing: (A) Adult, (B) Child, (C) Infant (mask only), (D) Neonatal (mask only). (5) Portable oxygen equipment of at least three hundred (300) liters capacity (D size cylinder) with yoke, medical regulator, pressure gauge, and nondependent flowmeter. (6) Oxygen delivery devices shall include the following: (A) High concentration devices, two (2) each, in adult, child, and infant sizes. (B) Low concentration devices, two (2) in adult size. (7) Blood pressure manometer, one (1) each in the following cuff sizes: (A) Large adult, (B) Adult, (C) Child, (8) Stethoscope in adult size. (9) Wound care

supplies to include the following: (A) Sterile gauze pads four (4) inches by four (4) inches. (B) Airtight dressing. (C) Adhesive tape, two (2) rolls. (D) Bandage shears. (10) Rigid extrication collars, two (2) each capable of the following sizes: (A) Pediatric, (B) Small, (C) Medium, (D) Large (11) Portable defibrillator with self-contained cardiac monitor and ECG strip writer and equipped with defibrillation pads or paddles, appropriate for both adult and pediatric defibrillation, that will not interfere with the aircraft's electrical and radio system. (12) Endotracheal intubation devices, including the following equipment: (A) Laryngoscopes with spare batteries and bulbs. (B) Laryngoscope blades (adult and pediatric, curved and straight). (C) Disposable endotracheal tubes, a minimum of two (2) each, sterile packaged, in sizes 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 millimeters inside diameter. (13) Medications, intravenous fluids, administration sets, syringes, and needles will be specified by the air-medical director identifying types and quantities. The provider is requesting renewal of previous waiver to not carry certain equipment due to their flights being specialty flights. Staff recommends approval.

Air Methods Kentucky

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to grant this waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Rule 2. Requirements and Standards for Paramedic Organizations 836 IAC 2-2-1 General requirements for paramedic provider organizations. Authority: IC 16-31-2-7; IC 16-31-3-14; IC 16-31-3-14.5; IC 16-31-3-20 Affected: IC 16-31-3; IC 16-41-10 (h) A paramedic ambulance service provider organization must be able to provide a paramedic level response. For the purpose of this subsection, "paramedic response" consists of the following: (1) A paramedic. (2) An emergency medical technician or higher. (3) An ambulance in compliance with the requirements of section 3(e) of this rule. (4) During transport of the patient, the following are the minimum staffing requirements: (A) If paramedic level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least a paramedic and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) a paramedic shall be in the patient compartment. The provider is requesting a waiver for

their staffing requirements on their MICU and roto-wing aircraft. Staff recommends approval.

Lutheran Hospital

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve this waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Champion. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of SECTION 16. This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 2-7.2-3. (e) The emergency medical technician-intermediate provider organization shall ensure the following: (1) That stocking and administration of supplies and medications are limited to the Indiana emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum. Procedures performed by the emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician are also limited to the Indiana emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum. The provider wishes to exceed the minimum curriculum requirements for AEMTs by teaching and performing: 1. 12-lead acquisition. Staff abstains.

Memorial Hospital

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve this waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-7.1-3 (3) for EMT-Intermediates to administer 12 lead EKGs for transmission to the receiving facility. Staff did make a recommendation.

Spencer County Emergency Ambulance Services, INC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve this waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Section 16. (a) This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 2-7.2-3. (e) The emergency medical technician-intermediate provider organization shall ensure the following: (1) That stocking and administration of supplies and medications are limited to the Indiana emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum. Procedures performed by the emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician are also limited to the Indiana emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum. The provider is requesting a waiver for Advanced EMTs to apply, interpret, and transmit EKGs in the field. Staff Abstains.

NorthEast Allen County Fire and EMS

This waiver is not need due to other Commission decision.

The following requested a waiver of Section 35. (a) This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 4-7-2. (c) Emergency medical technicians-basic advanced shall comply with the following: (1) An emergency medical technician-basic advanced shall not perform a procedure for which the emergency medical technician-basic advanced has not been specifically trained: (A) in the Indiana emergency medical technician basic and the Indiana emergency medical technician-basic advanced curriculums; or (B) that have not been approved by the commission as being within the scope and responsibility of the emergency medical technician-basic advanced. The provider is requesting a waiver of this rule so that four (4) basic-advanced EMTs who are also RNs with the state of Indiana can perform skills at the level of their nursing license.

Northeast Allen County Fire and EMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to deny the waiver request. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

EMS TRAINING INSTITUTION WAIVER REQUEST

The waivers for the following training institutions were not needed:

Gibson County Ambulance

Huntertown Fire Department

Margaret Mary

Northern Webster-Tippecanoe Township EMS

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Chief of Staff Garvey asked that everyone notice the long list of Administrative proceedings and acknowledged staffs hard work in investigating and issuing these orders. He also spoke in regards to the increase number of cases concerning paramedics tampering and or stealing drugs from ambulances. This will come up again under New Business.

Orders Issued

a. Personnel Orders

a. 1 Year Probations

Order No. 0038-2013 David Goff

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0016-2013 Daniel A. Griffith

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0028-2013 Kristin M. Shuff

No action required, none taken

b. 2 Year Probations

Order No. 0021-2013 Justin M. Austad

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0024-2013 Wendy L. Banter

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0042-2013 Curtis R. Brock

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0031-2013 Jennifer M. Cannady

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0032-2013 Colton Dale Carpenter

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0041-2013 Mike David Cohn

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0039-2013 Dia R. Fosnight

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0027-2013 Lawrency F. Kehrwald

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0045-2012 Christopher Meek (Amended Order)

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0034-2013 Amy L. Greer

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0025-2013 Anthony D. Habermann

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0019-2013 Margo E. Houston

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0026-2013 Kevin C. Hunter

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0035-2013 Travis R. Meyer

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0067-2012 Jason Pickering (Amended)

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0036-2013 Michael J. Robbins

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0030-2013 Kent F. Wall

No action required, none taken

c. Suspension

Order No. 0022-2013 Jerry L. Cox III

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0044-2013 Jonathan K. Dawson

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0023-2013 Julie Duguay

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0037-2013 Timothy Greenlee

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0007-2013 Jonathan M. Kanema

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0033-2013 Jesse Manns

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0055-2013 Lisa M. Shuler

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0029-2013 Amber Nicole Sutton (Davis)

No action required, none taken

d. Revocation

Order No. 0010-2013 (R) Daryn E. Hendershot

No action required, none taken

e. Denial

Order No.0018-2013 Brandon S. Brooks

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0046-2013 Patricia Ann Bueno

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0048-2013 Ronald J. Goedde

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0050-2013 Matthew D. Kranda

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0051-2013 Jessika Laird

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0040-2013 Larry Levitt

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0053-2013 Jessica L. Hominger

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0052-2013 Dennis D. Miruk

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0043-2013 Riley M. Needham

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0045-2013 Mia S. Swazy

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0015-2013 Jason Thompson

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0054-2013 James Ward

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0014-2013 Shawn Wiley

No action required, none taken

Non-final Order

a. Objection file by Respondent

Christopher Blaisuis

Judge Bippus spoke to the Commission concerning this order. Some discussion followed.

Chairman Turpen asked for volunteers to serve on the sub-committee to hear Mr. Blaisuis appeal. Commissioner Zartman, Commissioner Hoggatt and Commissioner Hamilton all volunteered to be on the panel. The hearing will be held at 9:00am prior to the August 16th meeting. Close to the end of the meeting Legal Counsel Mara Snyder asked for the hearing to be moved 9:00am on October 18, 2013, this is prior to the October Commission meeting.

Chairman Turpen asked Ms. Candice Hilton to handle notification being sent to Mr. Blaisuis concerning the hearing.

b. No objection filed

Tracy Cutler-Wilson

Zacharia I Doles

Stephan M. Hall Sr.

Christopher Meek

Jason Pickering

David P. Wymer

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to affirm all of the above listed non-final orders. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

FIELD SERVICES REPORT

Mr Jason Smith gave the field services report in Ms. Robin Stump's stead.

Mr. Smith spoke about the work the field staff has been doing to help with

investigations. They spend a large amount of time assisting with investigations. He also reported that complaints can be filed through the complaints page on the IDHS web site.

Trauma System Update

Art Logsdon from the Indiana Department of Health gave the trauma system update to the Commission. Art Logsdon announced the data training sessions that will be upcoming. The training sessions will be held in June and July. The tour is going to take a southern swing first. On all dates there will be a morning sessions and an afternoon session. There have been 65,000 runs submitted to the data base. Katie Gatse had hand outs in the back of the room with all of the information regarding the training sessions. Mr. Logsdon also announced the Health department has hired an EMS Data manager.

EMS FOR CHILDREN

Ms. Gretchen Huffman reported EMSC is in its final week for the Pediatric Readiness Survey with the emergency departments and in the future they can give a report on the states' overall preparedness in regards to items such as interfacility transfers and pediatric mass casualty. Coming up EMSC will be doing our EMS needs assessment in August so they can see how we can be of greater service to our EMS providers in regards to pediatrics. They are excited about building new collaborations with multiple agencies so that EMSC can create a bigger impact on overall care for pediatric care in Indiana.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TAC Chairman Leon Bell reported that the TAC committee met on June 4th and discussed elements of the Primary Instructor certification rule for 4 hours. Chairman Bell was advised that Legal Counsel from IDHS would have to review the TAC's finding prior to it being presented so there was nothing to report at the time of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Zartman spoke to drug accountability and tracking. He stated that he has been in discussions with the state and staff concerning the growing number of reports of narcotic issues with paramedic services. Commissioner Zartman asked that a sub-committee consisting of a few Commission members and invite the DEA and the pharmacy board. There isn't a standard in place currently for the state to follow. This sub-committee will help set standards.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to form the sub-committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. The motion passed.

The sub-Committee is going to be Commissioner Zartman, Commissioner Champion, Commissioner Valentine, Commissioner Craigin, and Commissioner Dunham. Chairman Turpen appointed Commissioner Zartman to be the chairman of the sub-committee.

Emery Garwick addressed the Commission and asked that notification be sent to the supervising hospitals and medical directors so they can attend. Randy Seals volunteered members of the Ambulance Association to assist with this committee. Chairman Turpen stated that when the committee got to the point of rule making that the Ambulance Association would be invited to assist if they are still interested.

Mr. Jason Smith reported on the Communications Assessment. Mr. Smith gave a report from Communications Director Don West. In reference to interoperability within the state of Indiana some issues have been identified. During the Henryville tornado there were problems with communications. During the Indiana state fair stage collapse there were issues with communications between agencies. As well as during deployment to Hurricane Sandy. Chairman Turpen asked that

Commissioner Valentine work with Mr. Jason Smith to form a committee and work on the issues. IDHS Chief of Staff Garvey asked Randy Seals of the Ambulance Association be involved with forming this group.

Chairman Turpen introduced IDHS's new Executive Director John Hill. Director Hill addressed the Commission. Director Hill stated that he has had the pleasure to work with several of our EMS responders around the state. He has heard the concern that their needs to be focus on EMS and their related activities around the state. The external assessment being performed by Whit O'Brian consulting group and is due in July. Director Hill hopes to be making some announcement regarding that assessment soon. He has had the pleasure of meeting with EMS community members concerning heavier work load and reimbursement issues.

Commissioner Zartman reported on the recommendations concerning Mr. Calvin Johnson's hearing from earlier in the day. The sub-committee made the following recommendation:

3 year suspension during which he will be required to maintain all in-service that is required for his paramedic level including all skill validations. At the end of the three year suspension he is required to submit a physiological evaluation to IDHS stating that he is not a threat to public safety. When all information has been submitted and verified then his certification would be placed on a two year probation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to accept the sub-committee's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mackey. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen called for a ten minute break at 11:16am. The meeting was called back to order at 11:26 am

Legal Counsel Mara Snyder reported on her findings regarding waiver process after discussion with the Attorney General's office. Legal Counsel Snyder stated that waivers are not required for additional skills to be added. An individual would submit in writing to the Commission a request to be able to do more than the base curriculum it would then be up to the Commission to grant or deny the request. Essentially what the Commission would be doing would be rewriting the rules and approved curriculum and skills for an individual every time a request is granted. The requests would have to be submitted by an individual. This process does not apply to provider organizations. Chairman Turpen asked for the wishes of the Commission. Chief of Staff Garvey started the discussion. Lengthy discussion followed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to amend the AEMT curriculum to include ECG and 12 lead acquisition and transmission only. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. More discussion followed. Commissioner Valentine amended his motion to clarify it. The AEMT curriculum to include the current basic advanced skills set that includes the 5 ECG rhythms that can be acquired now and the 12 lead acquisition with or without transmission only and to make it an ALS skill. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. More discussion followed. Emery Garwick, Matt Shady, and Faril Ward all address the Commission regarding this motion. The Commission stated that medical directors can limit the practice of employees. Everyone is going to be trained to the same standards but not everyone has to use the skills. Chairman Turpen called for a vote. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen opened discussion regarding what we are going to have to do with the current Advanced EMT's that do not have the added skills in their curriculum. Discussion followed. Staff stated that there are only 6 six

people in the state of Indiana that have acquired the Advanced EMT. Chairman Turpen directed staff to work with the Fire Chief's Association to work on this issue and report out at the next Commission meeting.

Mrs. Liz Fiato introduced Susan Hinkman to report out on the POST. Ms. Hinkman stated that with the help of the Commission's support the legislation has passed and will become effective July 1st. Indiana State Health Department will have the POST form on their website and available to the public. EMS personnel need to be educated regarding the use of the new POST form. The DNR in some cases will be replaced by the new POST form but not in all instances. POST is paper based and EMS personnel need to know where to find it and what to do about the order. Ms. Hinkman thanked the EMS Commission, Fire Chief's Association and the EMS Section of IDHS for their help. Ms. Hinkman turned the podium over to Jenifer Knapp from the Fire Chief's Association. Ms. Knapp presented a curriculum for education on the POST form. The Fire Chief's EMS section has put together a power point and education booklet. Chairman Turpen asked if the curriculum could be put on IDHS's LMS system so that all training would be consistent across the board. Mrs. Fiato stated that IDHS would like to have the Commission approve the curriculum first. IDHS is working to have the LMS training go directly on a person's Acadis record.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoggatt to table until the next meeting to give the Commission time to review material. Commissioner Hoggatt asked that Candice Hilton email the entire packet to the Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen brought the tabled training institution waivers back to the table. Due to Commission decision earlier in the meeting the waivers are not needed.

State Director's Report

Chief of Staff Garvey made an announcement regarding the upcoming training at the National Fire Training center in Maryland. If you would like more information contact John Buckman. Chief of Staff Garvey spoke in regards to a letter that IDHS received from the governor of New Jersey thanking Indiana responders for their help and good work during their response to Hurricane Sandy. Chief of Staff Garvey spoke about IDHS's work on filling the Training Directors position. Chief of Staff Garvey also stated that he would like to see the Commission, Technical Advisory Committee, and IDHS have a more strategic reaction rather than a reactionary approach.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND DIRECTION

Chairman Turpen read into record the Hurricane Sandy letter that will be sent out to all of the responders that were deployed to respond to Hurricane Sandy.

Chairman Turpen directed Section Chief Buckman to send out a survey to find out why people are leaving EMS. This is in response to concerns regarding decreased number of EMS personnel.

Chairman Turpen would like to encourage EMS providers to look into CARES. This is a data base that will allow Indiana to compare their data to other EMS organizations in the Nation.

Chairman Turpen also encourages everyone to keep an eye on scientific data as it comes out.

Mrs. Liz Fiato introduced Al Verbish IDHS's new Section chief of EMS certification and compliance and Tracy Smith EMS compliance secretary.

Legal Counsel Snyder asked that everyone responded in a timely manner to Ms. Smith and Mr. Verbish's request to help them with investigations.

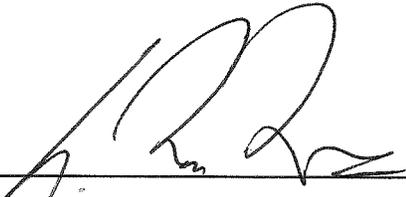
Commissioner Zartman stated that IDHS IOT is working on the Commissioner's state email accounts.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The next EMS Commission meeting will be held on August 16th.

A motion was made by Commissioner Craigin to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 12:39p.m.

Approved

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Lee Turpen II', is written over a horizontal line.

G. Lee Turpen II, Chairman

Attachment #1



EMS Commission Certification Report Compiled May 31, 2013



| Total Certifications | Issued Since Last Mtg | Issued Same Time - | 2012 | Certified Individuals |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| EMS - EVOC | 2882 | EMS - EVOC | 14 | |
| EMS - EVOC INSTR | 78 | EMS - EVOC INSTR | 0 | |
| ADVANCED EMT | 6 | ADVANCED EMT | 0 | 1550 |
| EMT - BA | 1550 | EMT - BA | 40 | 13795 |
| EMT | 19425 | EMT-BASIC | 366 | 175 |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 175 | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 4 | 3905 |
| PARAMEDIC | 3905 | PARAMEDIC | 70 | |
| EMT-PI | 498 | EMT-PI | 7 | |
| EXTRICATION | 1979 | EXTRICATION | 0 | |
| EMR | 5691 | FIRST RESPONDER | 150 | 5691 |
| Totals | 36189 | 625 | 651 | 25116 |

| 1st Qtr 2013 | Count | 2nd Qtr 2013 | Count | 3rd Qtr 2013 | Count | 4th Qtr 2013 | Count |
|------------------|-------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| EMS - EVOC | 33 | EMS - EVOC | | EMS - EVOC | | EMS - EVOC | |
| EVOC INSTRUTOR | 0 | EVOC INSTRUTOR | | EVOC INSTRUTOR | | EVOC INSTRUTOR | |
| ADVANCED EMT | 0 | ADVANCED EMT | | ADVANCED EMT | | ADVANCED EMT | |
| EMT - BA | 18 | EMT - BA | | EMT - BA | | EMT - BA | |
| EMT-BASIC | 970 | EMT-BASIC | | EMT-BASIC | | EMT | |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 2 | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | |
| PARAMEDIC | 493 | PARAMEDIC | | PARAMEDIC | | PARAMEDIC | |
| EMT-PI | 8 | EMT-PI | | EMT-PI | | EMT-PI | |
| EXTRICATION | 0 | EXTRICATION | | EXTRICATION | | EXTRICATION | |
| EMR | 198 | EMR | | EMR | | EMR | |
| Totals | 1722 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| 1st Qtr 2012 | Count | 2nd Qtr 2012 | Count | 3rd Qtr 2012 | Count | 4th Qtr 2012 | Count |
|------------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| EMS - EVOC | 44 | EMS - EVOC | 13 | EMS - EVOC | 89 | EMS - EVOC | 92 |
| EVOC INSTRUTOR | 5 | EVOC INSTRUTOR | 0 | EVOC INSTRUTOR | 0 | EVOC INSTRUTOR | 7 |
| ADVANCED EMT | 43 | ADVANCED EMT | 58 | ADVANCED EMT | 52 | ADVANCED EMT | 5 |
| EMT - BA | 574 | EMT - BA | 523 | EMT - BA | 492 | EMT - BA | 13 |
| EMT-BASIC | 0 | EMT-BASIC | 7 | EMT-BASIC | 111 | EMT | 268 |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 119 | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 92 | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 111 | EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 79 |
| PARAMEDIC | 11 | PARAMEDIC | 12 | PARAMEDIC | 4 | PARAMEDIC | 13 |
| EMT-PI | 0 | EMT-PI | 0 | EMT-PI | 0 | EMT-PI | 0 |
| EXTRICATION | 158 | EXTRICATION | 199 | EXTRICATION | 144 | EXTRICATION | 124 |
| FIRST RESPONDER | 954 | FIRST RESPONDER | 904 | FIRST RESPONDER | 893 | EMR | 601 |
| Totals | 954 | 904 | 893 | 601 | 601 | 601 | 601 |

| 1st Qtr | 2nd Qtr 2011 | 3rd Qtr | 4th Qtr 2011 | Count |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| EMS - EVOC | 120 | 40 | 127 | 73 |
| EVOC INSTRUCTOR | 8 | 3 | 11 | 6 |
| EMT - BA | 50 | 51 | 56 | 46 |
| EMT-BASIC | 652 | 781 | 516 | 341 |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| PARAMEDIC | 79 | 135 | 94 | 87 |
| EMT-PI | 4 | 2 | 7 | 6 |
| EXTRICATION | 0 | 0 | 30 | 7 |
| FIRST RESPONDER | 168 | 250 | 145 | 165 |
| Totals | 1085 | 1265 | 990 | 734 |

| 1st Qtr 2010 | 2nd Qtr 2010 | 3rd Qtr 2010 | 4th Qtr 2010 | Count |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| EMS - EVOC | 124 | 166 | 240 | 107 |
| EVOC INSTRUCTOR | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| EMT - BA | 41 | 35 | 51 | 47 |
| EMT-BASIC | 801 | 767 | 841 | 400 |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 4 | 5 | 4 | 7 |
| PARAMEDIC | 121 | 123 | 95 | 83 |
| EMT-PI | 9 | 15 | 3 | 5 |
| EXTRICATION | 20 | 10 | 12 | 0 |
| FIRST RESPONDER | 230 | 274 | 131 | 105 |
| Totals | 1351 | 1396 | 1377 | 759 |

| 1st Qtr 2009 | 2nd Qtr 2009 | 3rd Qtr 2009 | 4th Qtr 2009 | Count |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| EMS - EVOC | 47 | 163 | 82 | 331 |
| EVOC INSTRUCTOR | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| EMT - BA | 74 | 23 | 70 | 55 |
| EMT-BASIC | 738 | 514 | 856 | 570 |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 7 | 5 | 6 | 13 |
| PARAMEDIC | 135 | 91 | 93 | 83 |
| EMT-PI | 14 | 10 | 15 | 14 |
| EXTRICATION | 0 | 47 | 0 | 1 |
| FIRST RESPONDER | 178 | 268 | 239 | 247 |
| Totals | 1197 | 1121 | 1361 | 1314 |

| Certs Due for Re-N | 6/30/2013 | Expired 04/01/2013 |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| EMS - EVOC | 138 | 118 |
| EVOC INSTRUCTOR | 5 | 1 |
| EMT - BA | 157 | 35 |
| EMT-BASIC | 2129 | 595 |
| EMT-INTERMEDIATE | 16 | 2 |
| PARAMEDIC | 351 | 70 |
| EMT-PI | 51 | 9 |
| EMR | 794 | 267 |
| Totals | 3641 | 1097 |

Number of People Failed to Recertify Last Quarter

899

Number of New People Certified Last Quarter

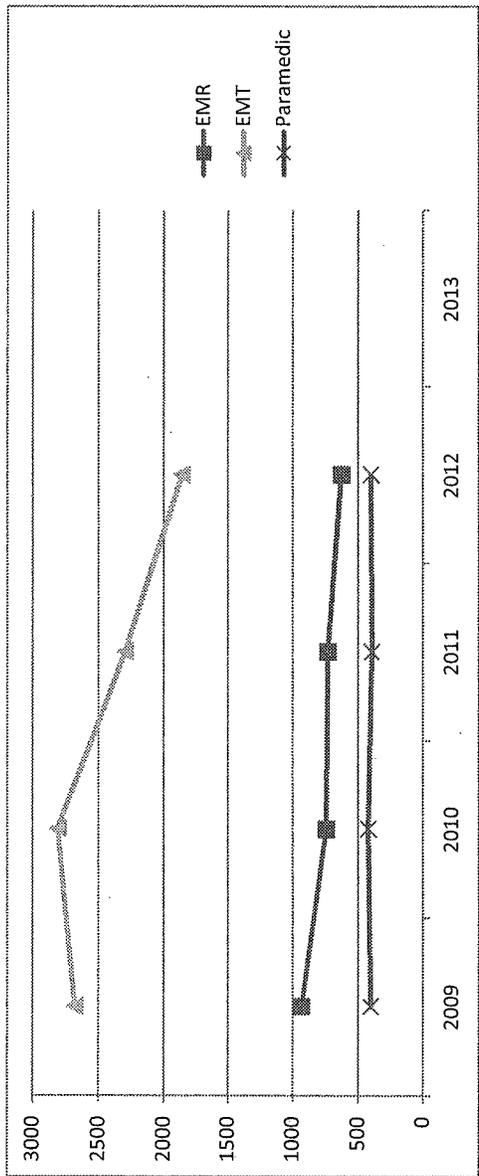
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Net gain/Loss of:

-507

Trending Graph

| Year | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|
| EMR | 932 | 740 | 728 | 625 | |
| EMT | 2678 | 2809 | 2290 | 1857 | |
| Paramedic | 402 | 422 | 395 | 401 | |



Attachment #2

**Emergency Medical Services
Provider Certification Report**

Date : May 29, 2013

June 07, 2013

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations for the operation and administration of Emergency Medical Services, this report is respectfully submit to the Commission at the **June 07, 2013** Commission meeting, the following report of agencies who have meet the requirements for certification as Emergency Medical Service Providers and their vehicles.

| <u>Provider Level</u> | <u>Counts</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Rescue Squad Organization | 5 |
| Basic Life Support Non-Transport | 403 |
| Ambulance Service Provider | 100 |
| EMT Basic-Advanced Organization | 34 |
| EMT Basic-Advanced Organization non-transport | 20 |
| EMT Intermediate Organization | 1 |
| EMT Intermediate Organization non-transport | 0 |
| Paramedic Organization | 184 |
| Paramedic Organization non-transport | 9 |
| Rotorcraft Air Ambulance | 12 |
| Fixed Wing Air Ambulance | 3 |
| Total Count: | 771 |