

**MEDICAL CONTROL BOARD  
EASTERN AND WESTERN DIVISIONS  
EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS FOUNDATION**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Medical Control Board was held by videoconference, pursuant to Oklahoma Statute, Title 25 & 307.1 on Wednesday, May 11th at 10:00 am at the following locations:

EMSA Eastern Division Headquarters in the Conference Room  
1417 N. Lansing Avenue, Tulsa, OK  
EMSA Western Division Headquarters in the Conference Room  
1111 Classen Drive, Oklahoma City, OK

**NOTICE AND AGENDA** for the regular meeting of the Medical Control Board of the Emergency Physicians Foundation, Eastern and Western Divisions, was posted in the Office of the Deputy City Clerk of Tulsa, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Oklahoma City on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 more than 24 hours prior to the time set for the regular meeting of the Medical Control Board.

1. **Roll Call** disclosed a quorum at 10:02 am and the meeting was called to order by Dr. Mike Smith.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Roxie Albrecht  
Dr. Russell Anderson  
Dr. Mark Blubaugh  
Dr. Chad Borin  
Dr. Jeffrey Dixon  
Dr. Curtis Knoles  
Dr. John Nalagan  
Dr. David Smith  
Dr. Mike Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dr. Brandon Boke  
Dr. Barrett Bradt

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dr. Jeffrey Goodloe, OMD  
Jennifer Jones, OMD  
David Howerton, OMD  
Matt Cox, OMD  
Jamil Rahman, OMD  
Dinorah Rivera, OMD  
Zach Lawrence, OKCFD

Jim Travis, OKCFD  
Stephanie Pryor, EMSA  
Rick Ornelas, EMSA  
Mike Kisler, EMSA  
Taber Wilson, EMSA  
Sonny Geary, EMSA

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**2. Review and Approval of March 2016 MCB Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Dr. David Smith

SECOND: Dr. Roxie Albrecht

Aye:

Dr. Roxie Albrecht  
Dr. Russell Anderson  
Dr. Mark Blubaugh  
Dr. Chad Borin  
Dr. Jeffrey Dixon  
Dr. Curtis Knoles  
Dr. John Nalagan  
Dr. David Smith  
Dr. Mike Smith

ABSENT:

Dr. Brandon Boke  
Dr. Barrett Bradt

**3. EMSA President Report**

Mr. Williamson was unable to attend due to working on the Medicaid funding bill. He asked Dr. Goodloe to defer his presentation to the July MCB meeting. Mr. Winham, EMSA COO, could not give the EMSA report as he was not in attendance due to being on a work assignment.

**4. Medical Director Report**

Dr. Goodloe went to Washington D.C. last month as part of the NAEMT and NAEMSP “EMS on the Hill” advocacy on HR 4365 and to learn more about professional advocacy for EMS patients and EMS professionals from the NAEMSP Government Relations Academy. Discussion on HR 4365 is reflected later in these minutes as a separate information item. During Dr. Goodloe’s visits in DC some of the Oklahoma delegation’s legislative assistants asked about issues back in the state. They collectively did not think we would actually see the proposed 25% dramatic cut in Medicaid. Federal legislative insight into all of this at this time is that a 25% estimated cut is a doomsday prediction. We should be braced for a 10-12% cut, however. EMSA transports a sizable percentage of patients that have Oklahoma Medicaid as their payor. Dr. Goodloe understands why Mr. Williamson was unable to attend as he is actively working on this funding bill that could significantly impact EMSA financing.

The OMD office has been very busy in the past few months with the new MCB/OMD website in development. The website is estimated to be online, up and running later this week. There are new hire orientation academies going on in Oklahoma City and Tulsa, including personnel from both EMSA and the Fire Departments. Dr. Goodloe is also working with OU Department of Emergency Medicine in partnering with Rogers EMS Consulting offering free medical oversight training courses throughout the state, similar to those delivered by Dr. Goodloe within the past few years.

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ResQCPR update: Very positive progress with no further instances of tension pneumothorax reported. We are actively working with Zoll Minneapolis on additional education resources along with a video that our office has produced and will be up on the website as soon as later this week. Great work by the cardiac arrest data team as well during these past two months. Dr. Goodloe made a point to thank OKCFD for getting the ResQPUMP out as early as possible, adopting it along with EMSA and the suburban fire departments.

Dr. Curtis Knoles is poised to assume the duties of the Assistant Medical Director just as soon as the MCB-OUHSC contract can be completed and signed, likely within just a few days of the MCB meeting.

Dr. Goodloe shared that the divert reports are posted for MCB physician review and asked that each MCB physician closely review the data for their individual hospital. Dr. Chad Borin questioned the March divert report in regards to a psychiatric patient that was diverted to Oklahoma Heart Hospital from Mercy. David Howerton mentioned that at a first pass of looking at this case there was probably another chief complaint that was more heart related vs psychiatric.

**5. MCB New Website Navigation Tour**

Dr. Jamil Rahman reviewed the new website design and capabilities with the MCB. The website will be going live within several days. MCB board members will be able to upload resources on an MCB physician intranet. Training videos and external links will be available for the agencies that we support.

Dr. Goodloe complimented Dr. Rahman on the work that has gone into the website design and noted that the entirety of the OMD team is excited for the site to go live.

**6. Review and Approval of February 2016 and March 2016 MCB Financial Statements**

MOTION: Dr. Chad Borin

SECOND: Dr. Curtis Knoles

Aye:

Dr. Roxie Albrecht  
Dr. Russell Anderson  
Dr. Mark Blubaugh  
Dr. Chad Borin  
Dr. Jeffrey Dixon  
Dr. Curtis Knoles  
Dr. John Nalagan  
Dr. David Smith  
Dr. Mike Smith

ABSENT:

Dr. Brandon Boke  
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**7. Review and Approval of: MCB 2016-2017 Budget**

Dr. Goodloe reviewed the requested FY2016-2017 budget. This budget is less for the 2016-2017 budget year than the 2015-2016 budget year mostly due to no salary increases this year. Dr. Goodloe commented that OMD staff members are particularly deserving of salaries increases, though Mr. Williamson informed him that both Oklahoma City and Tulsa are not planning for any employee salary increases in the FY2016-2017 time and that the MCB/OMD budget would be well advised to follow suit.

Dr. Borin asked how the monies from each city for the CQI Program Subsidy are determined. Dr. Goodloe explained that we assess \$250 per paramedic and \$125 per EMT-Intermediate/Advance EMT and the totals per city as shown in the budget are simply based on the number of applicable personnel in the agency on the preceding April 1st. We have not had a change in 5+ years for the amount we invoice per personnel. In looking at actual time and resources involved, we discount nearly 67%, due to the monies that we receive from EMSA.

Dr. Borin asked why we have not looked at increasing the fees due to labor cost going up. Dr. Goodloe discussed that we have tried to keep them as low as we can. However, due to some issues with Medicare & Medicaid and a possible trickle down impact from EMSA, a future increase in these CQI Program Subsidy fees could occur.

MOTION: Dr. Mike Smith

SECOND: Dr. John Nalagan

Aye:

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**8. Review and Discuss HR 4365**

Dr. Goodloe reviewed HR Bill 4365 with the MCB. He asked “Why do we care about HR 4365?” What we are doing in our system, like other EMS systems that include controlled substances in its standards of care, is the subject of this bill. If you cross index and search CFR 21: 1300-end, which is the DEA regulation compendium, by “EMS”, “EMT”, “Paramedic”, or “ambulance”, all the regulations are completely silent. If you are an agent for the DEA you are considered a law enforcement agent. Everyone

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involved, particularly patients, are at risk by the silence of the current regulations in application to EMS. Some DEA regional offices have opined that EMS cannot carry controlled substances without an explicit prescription for each individual patient. At worst, this would deprive EMS patients of anti-seizure and anti-sedation/pain control medication. This would also substantially impact the workload of EM physicians on duty in area EDs having to take far more EMS on-line medical control calls. In essence, this bill helps to preserve the careful use of standing order controlled substances in EMS and will continue to promote accountability of those controlled substances.

**9. New Business**

Dr. David Smith asked when the Oklahoma State Department of Health will come up with their Stroke and STEMI destination protocols and how will the MCB resolve those with our protocols. David Howerton mentioned that there are workgroups currently meeting and that OMD has assisted those groups with our protocols. The current state protocols were written by Dr. Goodloe and team from OU/OMD.

**10. Next Meeting – July 13, 2016**

**11. Adjournment**

Upon Motion by Dr. David Smith and seconded by Dr. Curtis Knoles, the Medical Control Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:28am.

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Approved By:  
Curtis Knoles, MD  
MCB Secretary

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Date Approved: