

Planning and Operations Committee

Shane Pearson - Chair

AGENDA

August 3, 2017 8:30 – 9:45am

Landon State Office Building
900 SW Jackson, Room 509; Topeka, Kansas

1. Standing Items

1.1 KEMSIS Update

- KEMSIS Update provided by staff

1.2 Service Inspections

- Staff update on inspections

2. Old Business

2.1 Non-Transport EMS*****

- Three public meetings.
- Recommendation from staff.

3. New Business

3.1 K.S.A 65-6126*****

- Alternative procedure for medical oversight if no medical director is available.

4. Managers' Report

- Kansas State Fair
- EMS Voluntary Recognition Program

5. Region and Association Comments

5. Public Comments

6. Adjournment

NOTE:

- *In accordance with the Board's directive of October 2002, the Chair requests that all cellular phones, pagers, computers, personal digital assistants and other similar electronic communication devices be turned to the "vibrate", "silent" or "off" position while the meeting is being conducted.*
- *Reminder to all EMS regions, associations and organizations to submit documents for distribution.*

*****Denotes that this item requires Board action

Non-Transporting Agency Proposal

Intent

Provide a more complete picture of EMS coverage and capabilities within the state of Kansas by having knowledge of all entities expected to provide emergency medical care when requested and available. Specifically:

- 1) To obtain a true representation of services/entities that provide emergency medical care within the state of Kansas.
- 2) To ensure that these services/entities provide the equipment and medications necessary to execute the approved medical protocols.
- 3) To have knowledge of individuals that are affiliated with all services/entities that provide emergency medical care within the state of Kansas.
- 4) To ensure that all individuals providing emergency medical care to patients pursuant to their EMS certification are working under approved medical protocols.

Proposed Method

Information gathering - Beginning September 1st – non-ambulance services may voluntarily declare themselves as a non-transporting agency that provides EMS patient care in Kansas. These non-transporting agencies should provide their affiliation with an ambulance service for medical protocols or provide the Board with a copy of their medical protocols. Non-transporting agencies should also provide a listing of EMS providers with their agency/organization that utilize these medical protocols. This should all be able to be completed through the current license management system or entered into the current license management system.

Beginning with the 2017 renewals, each EMS provider will be asked to declare all affiliations with all Kansas ambulance services and non-transporting Kansas agencies for whom they provide EMS care. The state's license management system will track this for all ambulance services and for those non-ambulance services that have voluntarily declared. This means that EMS providers will not be asked to fill out those affiliations with ambulance services and with declared non-transporting Kansas agencies upon their renewal form, just confirm their affiliation. However, if the agency/organization does not appear within the license management system (has not voluntarily declared), the provider must fill out the full name of each organization upon their renewal form.

After the 2017 renewal process has completed, Board staff will reconcile the entered agency/organization names for those that did not voluntarily declare and report the findings to the Board. Board staff will also begin to report numbers of those that are affiliated with ambulance services, those that are affiliated with non-transporting agencies, and those that are affiliated with both.

This information will be presented to the Planning and Operations Committee of the Board to determine whether further action or regulatory revision/oversight is necessary.

There are no statutes or regulations that must be revised in order for this process to occur as written above. However, it will be difficult at best to ensure that the intent for #2 above is achieved without some sort of regulatory oversight.