

## **Planning and Operations Committee**

Shane Pearson - Chair

### **AGENDA**

**January 31, 2018 8:30am**

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

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#### **1. Standing Items**

##### **1.1 KEMSIS Update**

- KEMSIS Update provided by staff

##### **1.2 Service Inspections**

- Staff update on inspections

##### **1.3 Variiances**

- One variance for lettering

#### **2. Old Business**

##### **2.1 Adding non-transport as a type**

- Who is on roster authorized to practice under protocols?
- Do we have a definitive way to prove the agency is authorized under protocols?
- Is the medical director of transport service aware non-transport is working under service protocols?
- Inspections?

##### **2.2 Permitting EMS Agencies \*\*\*\***

- Declaration of services that an EMS agency can provide:
- 911/Scene Response (with transport capabilities)
- 911/Scene Response (without Transport Capabilities)
- Interfacility Transfers (Hospital to Hospital)
- Medical Transport (Convalescent, Hospital to Nursing Home, Hospital to Home, et.)
- Air Medical
- Event Standby
- ALS Intercept
- Hazardous Materials
- Rescue
- Mobile Integrated Health / Community Paramedicine
- Critical Care (Ground)
- Non-emergent Medical Transportation
- Public Education (CPR, Stop-the-Bleed, Fall Risk Assessment, Injury Prevention, etc.)

#### **3. New Business**

#### **4. Managers' Report**

- New service license: Bourbon County EMS
- Service closure: Mercy EMS Fort Scott
- Service renewals
- EMS week

## **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**

## How Other States Handle Non-Transport EMS Agencies

### **North Dakota- Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- EMS Means the prehospital medical stabilization or transport
- EMS operation means an entity licensed to offer and provide EMS by EMS personnel with physician oversight (includes quick response units)
- Must be state licensed
- New rules require non-transport to be associated with transport agency.
- No requirement to report patient care data.

### **Nebraska - Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- Must be state licensed
- Non-transport must meet same requirements as transport except for the transport equipment.
- Same rules for industrial and event standby EMS.
- Must show agreements with transport service.
- Requires medical direction
- Fees and frequency-\$60 initial- \$70 renewal-up to two years

### **Iowa - Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- Ambulance service is defined as providing patient care and transportation.
- Non-transport service is defined as any entity that does not provide patient transportation and utilizes only rescue and first response vehicles to provide emergency medical care at the scene of an emergency.
- All services must be authorized by the state to provide EMS care.
- Requires all non-transport services to maintain a written transport agreement with an ambulance service that specifies the duties and responsibilities of the agreeing parties.
- Requires medical direction.
- Required to report care provided.
- Application process identical for both.

### **Missouri - Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- Ambulance service is defined as any entity that regularly provides emergency or non-emergency transportation and services.
- Emergency Medical Response Agency is defined as any entity that regularly provides a level of care that includes first response, basic life support, or advanced life support, but not patient transport.
- Licensure is required for both ambulance service and EMRA.
- EMRA must have agreements with ambulance service
- Requires medical direction
- Required to report care provided.
- **Specific EMRA Rules**
- **In practice-** Only EMRA providing ALS are being regulated.
- Fees and frequency-Every five years.

### **Oklahoma - Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- Ambulance service is defined as any entity that regularly provides emergency or non-emergency transportation and services.
- Certified Emergency Medical Response Agency is defined as any entity certified to provide EMS care, but not patient transport.
- Certification is required for both ambulance service and EMRA
- EMRA can be pre-hospital or event standby.
- Must be certified if performing anything above lay person skills. (CPR, AED, Stop the Bleed etc.)
- Required to have agreements with transporting agency.
- Required to have medical direction.
- Required to report care.
- If non-transport agency has different medical director than the transport agency, both medical directors must agree.
- Rules were put into effect in 2016.
- Fees and frequency- \$50 initial and \$20 renewal – every 2 years.

### **New Mexico - Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- EMS agencies are defined as an organization that provides EMS Service. Includes EMS dispatch, interfacility care agencies, pre-hospital care agencies, and special event EMS agencies.
- Certifies two types of medical rescue agencies; Transport and Non-transport.
- A medical rescue agency may not provide treatment unless holding a valid certificate
- Application process is identical for both.
- Minimum equipment standards for both.
- Requires medical direction.
- Required to report care provided.
- Agencies with no more than 3 medical rescue vehicles are assessed \$100 per certification period; Agencies with 4 - 10 medical rescue vehicles are assessed \$150 per certification period; Agencies with more than 10 medical rescue vehicles will be assessed \$200 per certification period. 2-year certification period.

### **Colorado - Statutory/Regulatory of both Transporting and Non-Transporting- yes**

- EMS service agency is defined as any organized agency included but not limited to a “rescue unit” using EMS providers to render initial emergency medical care to a patient prior to or during transport.
- Rescue Unit is defined as any group chartered by the state whose purpose is the search for and the rescue of lost and injured persons.
- Quick response teams is defined as providing initial care to a patient prior to the arrival of an ambulance.
- EMS provider must belong to an agency to perform acts.
- Requires medical direction
- Not required to report patient care. (only transport agencies
- The state does not license transport ambulances services. Each county licenses and regulates services in their own counties.
- Non-transport agencies are given the authority to respond by cities, counties, or special districts.
- Fees and frequency – Vary, as Colorado regulation is at the county level. Maximum allowable is \$100 annually.

**Wyoming - Statutory/Regulatory recognition of both Transporting and Non-Transporting – YES, but not completely clear.**

- Ambulance service is defined as any entity utilizing ambulances and providing authorized care at the scene of an emergency or transportation. (differences for fire protection service, industrial ambulance and search and rescue noted).
- EMS Agency is defined as any ambulance service, authorized fire protective service, or other entity dispatched with the intent to provide medical care in response to an emergency request for medical care.
- Ambulance service business license is required unless 1) an industrial ambulance, 2) operating a search and rescue vehicle, or 3) volunteer ambulance service with no other ambulance service in the area.
- Requires medical direction
- Required to report care provided.
- Application process is identical for both.
- Fees and Frequency - \$20 – Annual renewal.

**Arkansas - Statutory/Regulatory recognition of both Transporting and Non-Transporting – YES**

- Ambulance service is defined as licensed to provide care and transportation.
- Advanced Response Service is defined as a licensed, non-transporting service requested to the scene of an emergency and provides ALS care prior to arrival of a licensed transporting service.
- Service license is authorization for purpose of engaging in care and/or transport of patients.
- A service license must be held to provide emergency medical care.
- Advanced Response Services may only have vehicles permitted at the Advanced Response level.
- Requires medical direction
- Fees and Frequency -
- Application process is identical for both.
- Required to report care provided.

**South Dakota-Statutory/Regulatory recognition of both Transporting and Non-Transporting-  
no**

- Ambulance service is defined as any person or organization licensed EMS and patient transport.
- Operator is defined as any person who has a license to provide ambulance service.
- BLS providers are certified by Office of Rural Health; ALS providers are through the Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners.

**Texas - Statutory/Regulatory recognition of both Transporting and Non-Transporting – YES**

- Emergency medical services provider is defined as an entity who uses or maintains EMS vehicles, medical equipment, and EMS personnel to provide EMS.
- First responder organization is defined as a group or association of certified EMS personnel that, working in cooperation with a licensed emergency medical services provider, provides immediate on-scene care to ill or injured persons but does not transport those persons.
- Licensure as a EMS provider or First Responder Organization is required to provide pre-hospital care.
- (Has a definition for industrial ambulance)
- Requires medical direction
- Fees and Frequency - \$60/initial - \$70/renewal – up to 2 years
- SPECIFIC FIRST RESPONDER ORGANIZATION RULES
- Required to report care provided.

**Minnesota - Statutory/Regulatory recognition of both Transporting and Non-Transporting – Y**

- Ambulance service is defined as transportation and treatment preliminary to or during transport to, from, or between health care facilities.
- Emergency medical responder group is defined as a group of certified or registered personnel who respond to medical emergencies and have a medical director.
- Medical Response Unit is an organized service recognized to respond to medical emergencies to provide initial medical care before the arrival of a licensed ambulance service.
- Requires medical direction.
- Not required to report care provided (only for those EMS service agencies that transport).
- Fees and frequency-Voluntary and for two years

**2016 NASEMSO Data**

- 41 states regulate 911 response without transport
- States that do not (no data available for California)
  - Kansas
  - Louisiana
  - Tennessee
  - Arizona
  - Oregon
  - Connecticut
  - Massachusetts
  - Hawaii

