

# Northwest Community EMS System Chiefs-Administrators Meeting

Date: January 15, 2021  
Time: 8:30 – 9:30 AM  
Place: Virtual

## A G E N D A

- I. Call to order; introductions
- II. **System updates** (in addition to committee reports) – Connie Mattera
  - A. **COVID-19/Vaccination report:** Vaccinations completed to date; M#2 scheduling; IDPH **COVID-19 Mass Vaccination Guidance for Providers** (just issued - planning for tier 1b (law enforcement, dispatchers) and broader populations; **vaccinator education** available from CDC website; vaccine info available upon request; IDPH info see: <https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccine-faq>
  - B. **BinaxNOW Covid-19 Antigen testing:** AHFD and PFD approved so far. See <http://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/binax-now-antigen-training>
  - C. **2020 AHA ECC updates** will present in Feb 21 CE; no new SOPs this year per Region 9  
**New CPR, ACLS, PALS content** must be taught after 2-1-21 (AHA req); all instructors must have completed AHA updates; all EMS annual CPR verification cards for 2021 must reflect that members have been updated to new content. (See [https://cpr.heart.org/-/media/cpr-files/cpr-guidelines-files/highlights/hghlghts\\_2020\\_ecc\\_guidelines\\_english.pdf](https://cpr.heart.org/-/media/cpr-files/cpr-guidelines-files/highlights/hghlghts_2020_ecc_guidelines_english.pdf).)
  - D. Updates posted to website: System Directory, Org chart; DICO list; Drug & Supply List
  - E. NCH partnership with North Shore: eff. January 1, 2021
- III. **State updates:**
  - A. Draft IDPH **EMS strategic plan (handout)**; will update System plan to align with state plan
  - B. IDPH ambulance inspectors still delegating **annual vehicle inspections** to agencies; instructions sent monthly to those due. Forward completed self-inspection forms to Connie for signature and submission to IDPH; pay fee separately.
- IV. **National updates**
  - A. NAEMSE: Updated EMS Education Standards: Expect this year; prepping curricular updates now; Lead Instructor classes held on-line. See [www.naemse.org](http://www.naemse.org) for upcoming dates.
  - B. NHTSA: **Concerns for civil unrest**; info sent Thursday to chiefs/PEMSCs ([www.ems.gov](http://www.ems.gov))
  - C. CoAEMSP ([www.coaemsp.org](http://www.coaemsp.org)) updated standards interpretation guidelines
  - D. NREMT ([www.nremt.org](http://www.nremt.org)) modifying test item structure – will prep students for changes
  - E. NASEMSO: ([www.nasemso.org](http://www.nasemso.org)): **2020 National EMS Assessment report (handout)**
- V. **System standing committee Reports**
  - A. **PBPI:** Ryan Rasche (Itasca) for Jason Brizzell (SCH) – **See written reports:** 2021 Charter and Plans updated; end of year data draft: Will work w/ PEMSCs to correct values if inputted in error.
  - B. **Cardiac arrest committee:** Roger Fyke (PalR) or Dr. Jordan
  - C. **Education Committee:** Joe Tobiasz (EGT)/Karin Buchanan (SAMC)
    1. Charter updated
    2. **EMT class:** Outcome status F20; Onboarding S21
    3. **Paramedic class** – S20 outcomes; S21 progress; Agency Field Agreements coming soon if hosting students; preceptor needs assessment sent; internships due to start early March
    4. **CE:** Flexible, hybrid format working well; System entry: in process live; working well
    5. **NREMT renewals** (optional to maintain) due in March: Enter CE on NREMT website; notify Dr. Jordan to approve; Agency training officer must link Dr. J to your service with NREMT.
  - D. **CARS: Jim Klein** (AHFD) - Charter updated; **ImageTrend Vax** info; **Kno2/Epic integration** pilot started (PHts); IT web hosting change; validation added to BG values and Hi readings; qSOFA worksheet started; Multiple Release worksheet created; School Bus Incident Log updated to worksheet; Exposure Contact value added. Annual Image Trend Invoices received. **Delete training runs to ensure accurate agency billing for hosted runs.**
  - E. **R&D:** Scott Renshaw (BGFD) **See written report**
  - F. **Advisory Board:** Scott Motisi (BCFPD) – Updated member roster; approved charter; **need chiefs reps and alternates**
- VI. **Next meeting** – March 19, 2021 (Cross fingers- live option)