

**Northwest Community EMS System
Education Committee Meeting
September 2, 2025**

Agenda item	Discussion
Call to Order Previous Minutes Review of Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call to order at 09:06. The meeting occurred in person and streamed online via ZOOM. July 1, 2025, minutes approved
Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None
Education Activities Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EMT Class (Chris) – 93 students to date in upcoming Fall class. Paramedic Class (Mike/Britney)- There are 34 students signed up and will start clinicals in September. CE Reports – (Kourtney)- No feedback from July. August class: participants loved Kahoot game. Made learning fun. System Entry testing and Peer Educator credentialing (Kourtney)- No updates. SOP and Policy assessment are both included in system entry. 40 preceptor labs were completed. ECRN class (Kourtney)- 30-40 in class. Two have gotten licenses and one is pending. Remainder are in internships. Fall ECRN class dates are 8 October to 12 November. Peer Educator Project Group (Kourtney)- checking Peer 1 and 2 individuals and updating membership for group. Updated relicensure processes for Peer 1 and Peer 2. Looking at recruiting new members. Looking for ideas to hone skills.
Shared Governance Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advisory Board (Ginny/John)- meeting 11 September. Continuing policy reviews/approvals now that rules changes are complete. Cardiac Arrest Committee (Zach Lane)- side conversation during meeting about possibly changing the priority for LUCAS placement during arrest. More to follow. CT Garcia from Palatine stepped down as chair and Scott Renshaw took over as committee chair. Chief's meeting - no report. PBPI (Nicole) – Meeting in am. Looking at 2nd qtr intubation data. Next screen will be respiratory. CARS (Tina) – decisional capacity tool completed. Looking at bidirectional Image Trend. 3.5.1 NEMSIS update completed. R & D (Jeanine Liska)- Ultrasound project being trialed in Palatine. Glucometer: new GD20 go live in September. Trauma gel trial in progress. Looking at another hemostatic product (Chitosan) and another traction splint (Schlissen 2).
C-2 Policy and Charter review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed changes to policy. Changes in language to reflect CE and prorating hours if medic was not in class the entire time and how many classes a medic could miss without consequences (not clear in old C-2 policy). New language clause proposed removed.
System News	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective 1 October, EMS crews can contact LGH directly (no longer must call closest system hospital to relay call to LGH). T-2 policy being revised to reflect this change. Non transport inspections coming. Self-inspection by EMS this year.
State News	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rules finalized. Final NWS policies being revised to reflect new rules.
National Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates.
Task Force project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IV catheters and supplies being acquired. December: meeting with peer educators and clinical educators from IV company: train the trainer for starting IVs with current catheters. In station training may also be done with individuals who are very successful with starting IVs with the current catheters. Training will include site selection, tips and techniques, and other helpful information to use the current catheter. One suggestion was to use a feedback tool in Image Trend like the one already in use for unsuccessful intubations. The goal is to get more feedback about the issues. Will talk with CARS committee about developing a tool for this.
From the floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris is looking for assistance with practical EMT skills.

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Next Meeting Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next meeting November 4, 2025• Meeting adjourned at 1015