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HVREMSCO meeting – October 13, 2021

1. Roll Call
 - 25 attending, 13 needed for quorum
2. Approval of Minutes May 19, 2021
3. President's Report David Grass
 - Inaction of NY DOH on CON expansion for New Windsor, no reply on emails or calls
 - Orange County EMS council penned letter to O.C. Legislature on key issues. New Windsor looking for cosigners, HVREMSCO sign on to letter due to positive response to survey
 - NYSVARA sent letter to Gov. on EMS issues, HVREMSCO voted to send a letter of support
- 3a. Vice President's Report Richard Parrish
 - Sitting in on ALS TAG and Transportation committees
 - Retired from Health Alliance of the Hudson Valley
4. Treasurer's Report Wayne Chan
 - Attached
5. Regional Office Staff Report William Hughes
 - HVREMSCO financially stable
 - Audit starting in next month
 - No more grant money from AMFAR. Can still get Naloxone, but no financial backing to distribute
 - Awards submitted to state
 - New policy on EPCR, EMS providers on vaccination and Covid testing
 - New cards coming from state with QR codes
 - Transportation committee busy with New Paltz CON expansion, Margaretville Hospital
 - Every agency should have two people on HCS
 - HV RTAC two performance improvement projects
 - EMS Transfer
 - Blood products in field
 - Nov. 4th 9am next meeting
 - EMS Tree of Life postponed to 9/20, HV included two new entrees
 - ALS upgrade policy being worked on
 - RSI TAG getting started
 - BEMS survey on EMS ER wait delays (30 min or more)
 - Southern tier survey on Muru vs. collaborative protocol app
 - Vital Signs Nov. 13-14, in person and online
 - SEMSCO/SEMAC Oct. 19-20
 - HVREMAC Nov 1st



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- HVRTAC Nov. 4
- Next HVREMSCO meeting Dec. 15
- 6. QA/QI Report Jeff Crutcher
 - June 1st new Schematron, and with-it new import issues. 10/1 new rules and more issues. Vendors working diligently to fix issues
 - NEMSIS next change 2023
 - Data we get looks good. Performance dashboard available on HVREMSCO website
- 7. Medical Director's Report Mark Papish, MD
 - No additional report from above
- 8. Committee Reports
 - A) Training Committee David Violante
 - Liz Donnelly back in office
 - Course sponsor renewals due Nov. 30, must have 6 months of classes moving ahead. Regional councils to submit course training plan to state
 - Limitation of course sponsor to one county up in air
 - CME coordinators need to look closely at submitted paperwork
 - CIC's check paperwork
 - CIU will be done and looking to do CLI
 - Aug. 17-19, 2021, Jessica DeLuca went to EMS Supervisor's Leadership training (TTT) also doing mental health TTT
 - B) REMAC
 - Last REMAC meeting- Stroke Destination Guidelines approve, SLAM's criteria, creating online training Jan 2022 start date expected
 - All strokes must have Cincinnati Stroke Scale documented as well as last known well time
 - Ambulance shortage affecting interfacility transfers
 - C) Transportation Committee Glen Albin
 - New Paltz CON expansion, looking for more information
 - Margaretville Ambulance requested full regional Ambulance Certificate for interfacility transport, they are reviewing their application then will get back to committee
 - Ambulance certs rather than CONs for non-emergency services
 - D) Public Information & Education Need a Chair
 - E) Policy & Procedures Committee Need a CHAIR
 - F) Legislative & By Laws Albee Bockman
 - No action on bylaws
 - ALS upgrade TAG working due to BEMS letter saying our current policy is arbitrary. Met many times, worked to make more efficient and in line with public law
 - In a matter of time mandate for all EMS to be vaccinated
 - Bill submitted on Rural EMS agency studies (on back burner)
 - SB S7366 authorizing EMTs and Paramedics to administer certain vaccines,



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- SB S1148 Crimes against EMS personnel to be hate crimes, passed senate, no action in assembly yet
- No action on issues but Gov. signed bills on overdoses
 - Decriminalize possession of Narcan
 - Establish program for medically assisted treatment for inmates
 - Decriminalize possession of hypodermic needles
 - Directive on distribution of Narcan

G) E-PCR Committee M. Papish

- No report

H) Community Paramedicine T. Egan

- 3rd annual community paramedicine Sept. 17. NY Mobile Integrated Healthcare Assoc.

- 58 programs approved in NYS

I) Awards Committee D. Leone-Stoll

- Low rate of submission for awards. More frequent reminders to be sent out.

J) Nominating Committee Need a CHAIR

9. State EMS Council David Violante

- SEMSCO/SEMAC Meeting Oct. 19/20

- Two new committees – Community Paramedicine and Quality Methods

10. Old Business

- HVEMS Directions and Leadership Committee Update Antony Tseng

- no report

- HVEMS Vision 2025 TAG report – need a chair

- TAG Data Usage – Nick Trio new chair

- Regional representative changes

- Orange – Jon Hansen resigned, Michael Witkowski 6-30-25 alternate

- Putnam – David Jacobson- Waiting for Putnam to send a letter for renewal

11. New Business

- Approach in person BEMS about responsiveness to our requests. Region needs to be prepared if BEMS not responsive, to go up DOH chain. Motion to direct region reps and officers to discuss with BEMS directly the lack of state response, for example, New Windsor CON. Legislative chair to directly discuss the lack of response with Legislators. Both motions passed.

12. Adjournment