Mississippi State Department of Health
Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council
April 23, 2013

A meeting of the Mississippi Emergency Medical Services Council was held at 2:00 p.m. on April 23, 2013, in the Osborne Auditorium of the Mississippi State Department of Health, 570 East Woodrow Wilson, Jackson, Mississippi.

Committee member attendance was as follows:

**Present:** Rick Carlton, MD (Chair); Clyde Deschamp, PhD; John Nelson, MD; Douglas Higginbotham; Hugh Gamble MD; Kevin Holland; Mark Galtelli, EMTP; Jonathan, Wilson, RN; Janie Clanton, EMTP; Mike Cole, EMTP; Amanda Fontaine; William Bassett, EMTP; Alton Shaw, EMTP; and Rodney Frothingham, MD.

**MSDH Staff Members Present:**
Robert Galli, MD  
Alisa Williams, EMTP  
Norman Miller, PhD  
Donna Smith, EMTB  
Dale Holdiness, EMTP  
Daniel Farrish, EMTB  
Justin Pennington, EMTB

**Call to Order – Rick Carlton (Chair)** called meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. with quorum.

1. **Approval of the Minutes**- Motion was made by Shaw to accept the minutes of the January meeting as presented. Seconded by Bassett. Passed unanimously without comment.

2. **STEMI Stroke Update** – Harper Stone, MD
   - State Stroke Program will go before the State Board of Health in July. Will also go before the Mississippi Hospital Association and draft regs will then be developed.
   - Should have support of MHA after May meeting with Alliance (Holland).
   - Issue gathering data for the Division of Licensure. Alliance was working with American Heart Association. Data tied into three entities – AHA, American College of Cardiology, and NCDR. All three have to release data. Solution is to work with PCI centers to sign confidentiality agreement to release data to Dee Howard and the Alliance.

3. **MTAC Update – Dr. Pete Avara**
   - John Porter, MD, who has been an integral member of the EMS Advisory Council and MTAC as resigned from his position. Critical loss losing someone with this intensity and skill.

4. **Update – MDTQA – Dr. Robert Galli:**
5. **Update – EMSPI – Dr. Robert Galli:**  
   o No Update  

6. **Functionality Committee – Deschamp**  
   o Meeting regularly. Committee voted to support the emergency medical systems of care concept and move forward.  
   o Regionalization of medical control to include non-ambulance personnel.

7. **EMS Rules and Regulations – Wilson, Chair**  
   o Rule 8.3.2 – clarified language so EMSOF may be used by governmental unit to pay payroll and benefit differential pay for licensed ambulance services for the first year of license – not operating expense.  
   o Rule 8.3.4 – standardized language with insert “by governmental unit”.  
   o Rule 8.3.5 – standardized language with insert “by governmental unit”. Struck “for the purchase of commodities”.  
   o Rule 8.3.6 – EMSOF may only be used for the purchase of motorized vehicles that meet the permitting requirements of these regulations and must be so permitted.  

8. **EMS For Children Update – Benjamin Dillard, MD**  
   o Offered Pediatric Disaster Life Support Class to southern part of state. Offer a couple in north Mississippi this fall.  
   o Working on transport guidelines for pediatrics.  
   o Up for federal program audit in August.

9. **EMSOF**  
   o Hinds County – Requesting three EMS vehicles for total cost of $122,690. For use with first responders in Hinds County. Approved contingent on vehicles being staffed and permitted by AMR.  
   o Hancock County – Requesting two ATVs at $10,000 each. Will be under exclusive use of AMR.  

**Meeting adjourned** – Motion by Avara. Seconded by Gamble @ 3:15 p.m.