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**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
BOARD OFFICE**

August 21, 2015
9 A.M.

Committee Members:

Chris Poulsen, DO
Mike Verkest, Paramedic
Wayne Endersby, EMT-I

Staff:

Kathleen Haley, JD, Executive Director
Joseph Thaler, MD, Medical Director
Netia N. Miles, Licensing Manager
Shayne J. Nylund, Committee Coordinator

Absent by Prior Notification

Kara Kohfield, Paramedic, Chair
Mohamud Daya, MD

PUBLIC SESSION

1	Call Meeting to Order – Introductions/Attendance	Poulsen
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Ms. Kohfield, Chair, was absent from the meeting as her ambulance staff was on call due to the wild fires in the John Day, Oregon area. Dr. Poulsen acted as chair during her absence.

The Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Members of the public introduced themselves:

Jonathan Chin, *Washington County Emergency Medical Services*
Gregg Lander, *EMS Consortium*
Dana Selover, MD *Oregon Health Authority*,
Mark Stevens, *EMS Section Oregon Fire Chiefs Association*

2	Meeting Minutes – Review of Board Approved Minutes from May 20, 2015	Poulsen
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Mr. Endersby moved to approve the May 20, 2015 minutes as written. Mr. Verkest seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (OAR)

3	OAR 847-035-0030: Scope of Practice	FINAL REVIEW	Endersby
<p>The rule amendment clarifies that EMTs may prepare and administer albuterol treatments and are not limited to only nebulized albuterol; clarifies that Advanced EMTs may continue to administer naloxone by any method of delivery, which is distinct from the ability of Emergency Medical Responders to administer naloxone only via intranasal device or auto-injector for suspected opioid overdose; and alphabetizes the medications or categories of medications that an Advanced EMT may prepare and administer under specific written protocols or direct orders.</p>			

Dr. Poulsen reviewed the proposed changes to OAR 847-035-0030 before the Committee.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Endersby moved the Committee recommend adoption of OAR 847-035-0030 as written. Mr. Verkest seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

4	Senate Bill 874	Verkest
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Informational item only. No action taken.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5	Proposed Change Request to OAR 847-035-0011(1)(a)	Poulsen
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The Committee reviewed an inquiry from Paul Rostykus, MD who proposed applicant qualification changes to OAR 847-035-0011(1)(a), which currently reads: *The two physician members must be actively practicing physicians licensed under ORS Chapter 677 who are supervising physicians, medical directors, or practicing emergency medicine physicians* to read: *The two physician members must be actively practicing physicians licensed under ORS Chapter 677 who are Oregon EMS supervising physicians actively practicing as such during at least the prior 2 years.*

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Due to two Committee members being absent, the Committee recommended adding Proposed Change Request to OAR 847-035-0011(1)(a) to the next agenda so the group can discuss the inquiry as a whole.

6	Subscribing to the OMB Newsletter	Poulsen
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The Committee discussed suggestions for distributing the Oregon Medical Board’s quarterly newsletter more widely in the EMS community. Currently, the Board does not have a method for distributing the newsletter to all Oregon-licensed EMS providers. Mr. Verkest suggested sending the newsletter by U.S. mail first and then encouraging the providers to sign up for the letter online. He also suggested distributing postcards with the OMB newsletter link printed on cards at EMS conferences.

Public attendee Dana Selover, MD, suggested finding a strategic location on the Oregon Health Authority’s website and adding the OMB newsletter link to it. Dr. Poulsen suggested an economic means in distributing the newsletter is to mail a copy of the newsletter or a postcard with the OMB newsletter link printed on it to the EMS departments and ask that it gets posted on their bulletin board.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: No action taken.

7	Public Comments	Poulsen
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No public comments were made during this portion of the meeting.

8	Confirm Next Meeting Date – November 20, 2015, 9:00 A.M	Poulsen
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By consent, the Committee approved the next meeting date as November 20, 2015.

ADJOURN at 9:38 a.m.