EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OFFICE

August 17, 2018
9 A.M.

Committee Members:
Chris Poulsen, DO, Chair
Steve Brost, Paramedic
Mohamud Daya, MD
Louise Groomer, EMT-I
Mike Verkest, Paramedic

Staff:
Nicole Krishnaswami, JD, Interim Executive Director
Netia N. Miles, Licensing Manager
Shayne J. Nylund, Committee Coordinator

PUBLIC SESSION

1 Call Meeting to Order – Introductions/Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members of the public introduced themselves:
Yu Hsu, Oregon Mobile Healthcare
David Lapof, Klickitat County EMS
Rebecca Long, Oregon Health Authority
Jo Paluzzi (9:00 am-9:25 am)
Chad Partington, Oregon Mobile Healthcare
Yvan Saastamanen, Oregon Health Authority
Candace Toyama, Oregon Health Authority

2 Meeting Minutes – Review of Board Approved Minutes from May 18, 2018

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee acknowledged the Board-approved minutes from May 18, 2018.
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee nominated Joan E. Paluzzi, Ph.D, for the public member opening on the EMS Advisory Committee. Forward to the full Board for approval.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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<th>OAR 847-035-0030: Scope of Practice</th>
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<td>The rule amendment (1) removes the requirement that an Emergency Medical Responder complete an Oregon Health Authority-approved course before performing cardiac defibrillation with an automated external defibrillator; (2) clarifies that an EMT may use a manual or continuous positive pressure delivery device for ventilation; (3) allows EMT providers to prepare and administer ipratropium in addition to albuterol for bronchospasm in patients with known asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; (4) simplifies the list of medications that may be prepared and administered by Advanced EMT and EMT-Intermediate providers; (5) specifies that urinary catheters may be initiated or maintained only under specific written protocols or direct orders; and (6) contains general grammar and housekeeping updates.</td>
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Dr. Daya reviewed the proposed changes to OAR 847-035-0030 before the Committee and thanked the Oregon Health Authority for their assistance in making changes to the scope of practice. Mr. Brost moved that the Committee recommend the adoption of OAR 847-035-0030 as written. Dr. Poulsen seconded the motion. Dr. Daya reviewed the proposed changes to OAR 847-035-0030 before the Committee and thanked the Oregon Health Authority for their assistance in making changes to the scope of practice. Mr. Brost moved that the Committee recommend the adoption of OAR 847-035-0030 as written. Dr. Poulsen seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee recommends adoption of OAR 847-035-0030 as written. Forward to the full Board for approval.

5 Recommendation of Mohamud Daya, MD, and Mike Verkest, Paramedic, to a Second Term

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Mr. Brost moved to recommend the reappointment of Dr. Daya and Mr. Verkest to a second term on the Emergency Medical Services Committee. Dr. Poulsen seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority with Dr. Daya and Mr. Verkest abstaining. Forward to the Full Board for approval.

6 Oregon Health Authority’s Suggestion to Include Telehealth Supervision for Advanced EMTs

Verkest
The Committee reviewed a letter from the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) requesting the addition of telehealth in the A-EMT scope of practice. The Committee discussed the various implications and usages of telehealth services in the field of emergency medicine.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee requested the Oregon Health Authority bring additional information from other states regarding the definition of telehealth and how it is included in the scope of practice. This information will be reviewed at a future Committee meeting.

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Dr. Daya stated that he has reviewed additional information about TXA and found that Oregon EMS agencies are following the National EMS Position statement. He also informed the Committee that the FDA recently approved generic versions of EPI pens.

Dr. Poulsen asked OHA for an update on the list of supervising physicians in the state of Oregon. Candace Toyama, OHA, stated that OHA is currently working on a project to identify medical directors and their practice locations. The Committee suggested an annual or biennial registration for supervising physicians.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

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<th>Upcoming Statewide EMS Conferences</th>
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Mr. Verkest shared the upcoming statewide EMS conferences before the Committee:

- September 27-29, 2018: Salem
- March 2019: State of Jefferson EMS, Southern Oregon
- March 2019: Eastern Oregon
- April 2019: Timberline
- April 2019: Newport

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By consent, the Committee approved the next meeting date as November 16, 2018.

**ADJOURN at 10:18 a.m.**