

**Calhoun County Medical Control Authority**  
**July 21, 2014**

**Kellogg Community College, EMS Conference Room**  
**Battle Creek, MI**

**9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

- I. Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Kristin Sims at 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present

Name	Represents	Position	Meeting Date: 4-21-2014			Attendance History
			Present	Excused	Absent	
Chet Dalski	KCC	Sec/Treasurer	X			13/13
Mark Burke	Marshall FFA	At-Large Exe.	X			13/13
Jeff Troyer	911 Dispatch	Board Member	X			6/8
Dirk Borton	Albion Comm. Amb	Board Member		X		11/13
Steve Frisbie	LifeCare Amb.	Board Member	X			13/13
Dorothy Malcolm	BBC ER Director	Vice Chair	X	X		7/8
James Stevens	At Large	At Large Bd Member	X			13/13
Greg MComb	Urban MFR	Board Member	X			3/3
Dan Stewart	CCMCA	Medical Director		X		2/3
Susan Watson	BBC Administration	Board Member	X			5/5
Kim Campbell	Oaklawn Hospital	Board Member	X			3/4
Kristin Sims	Oaklawn Admin	Chairperson	X			13/13
James Thompson	Rural MFR	Board Member		X		2/3

Others Present-

Rich Feole, Calhoun County Dispatch; Chief David Schmaltz, Battle Creek Fire Department

## Introductions

### Additions or Deletions to the Agenda-none

**Approval of Minutes**-The minutes of the April 21, 2014 meeting were approved. (Stevens/Burke)

II. **Public Forum:** None.

III. **Committee/Officer Reports:**

A. **Medical Director Report/PSRO Committee (Dan Stewart)**—Dr. Stewart supplied Chet with notes as he was absent due to a death in the family. PSRO reviewed the monthly data with no trends or fallout; Regional Trauma is moving slowly with no new updates. He is looking for resolution on the EPI pen issue and the VA issue to be discussed later in the meeting.

B. **Finance Committee (Chet)** – KCC is again working through their fiscal yearend budgets and financials so there is no balance report. There have been no unexpected expenditures at this time. Chet reported that we received a check from Kalamazoo MCA for \$8740.21 to be used to update equipment. This check is from the 5<sup>th</sup> District grant money. MAAFFA is going to make a request for approximately \$4720 of those dollars and LifeCare is still in the process of making a request as well. Chet also reported that our investment account at Hilliard Lyons and we have made almost \$4000 from this investment.

IV. **Old Business:**

A. **Epi Pens**-Chet reported that the State of Michigan has approved legislation to allow MFR Agencies to carry Epi-Pens. We also told the state in our protocols that we will be participating in this program. We are still waiting for approval from the State of Michigan on our protocols. Chet reported that there is only one company distributing the pens right now and he did a brief demo with the trainer. He then presented the numbers for the cost associated with purchasing the first round for our agencies in Calhoun County. The costs are based on the purchase of two adult and two pediatric pens and creating a set of one each for the local distribution. Potential cost for stocking each vehicle in Calhoun County is \$23, 397; one set per agency is about \$7120. A packet has been sent out including a letter about the program, a participation form with a return envelope and a copy of the protocols has been sent out to each agency with replacement cost information as well. Note: there is training attached to this protocol that must be done by an I/C and is an annual training. Discussion included replacement requirements; how issuing one set per organization affects the equipment list on each vehicle; there may be generic version available by January of 2015; how long does the trainer last? Can the Epi Pen use be billed to insurance as it is used? What is the process for restocking? There was no action taken today. We are waiting to find out the interest in Calhoun County while this program is moving forward we know there are still questions to be answered and there will be more to follow. Chet shared the history of controlled medicines through BBC and that had quite an impact on the cost-this

partnership has been halted for now Dr. Stewart is still checking into renewing this practice. There is still the question of cost versus returns. Follow up includes questions re: restocking and cost.

- B. Protocols-**Chet shared his frustration with the lack of response from the State of Michigan regarding our submission. He believes that we are in compliance but there has been no contact approving our protocols. The protocols are online at our CCMCA page on the KCC website. Chet shared that although the protocols are pretty standard state wide there are some that are optional and sometimes different areas use medications in different ways or dosages. There was a question about cross county transport and what EMT staff are permitted to do from one county to another.

**V. New Business-**

- A. VA Fire Department-**the VA grounds are not considered part of Calhoun County, it is federal land and as such cannot be licensed through the State of Michigan.
- B. Complaint-**Chet shared that there was a complaint lodged that the VA had been responding to calls both ambulance and fire for traffic calls and in the community. Jeff Troyer did an investigation and found that to be accurate. After a conversation with the state they indicated that CCMCA can now license the VA. First and foremost a cease and desist needed to be issued because we could be responsible now that we know that they are operating in the community. A Cease and Desist Letter was sent out on June 23, 2014 with info regarding the calls reported. The City of Battle Creek and Springfield were included in the information and an offer for assistance to help with licensure was made. Chet reported that he did the vehicle inspection as required and was able to approve one vehicle. During this process, the State sent the actual license and they self-responded to a call prior to the vehicle inspection. They have been communicated with regarding their privileges and do's and don't's. There was a question regarding the intent of ethical operations if they have acted the way they have so far. Jeff Troyer reviewed the mutual aid agreements and guidelines for our area; medical mutual aid vs fire mutual aid and the normal policies. The VA is licensed for MFR only and with only one vehicle at this time. The VA has agreed to re-contact the CCMCA once the second vehicle is complete with equipment. Once a successful inspection occurs on the second vehicle, the second unit will be approved.
- C. Questions-**The new Chief at Battle creek Fire Department made a request for permission to do blood glucose checks for incoming ambulance info. It is believed that there would need to be a study, Chet to check on. There were also questions regarding ampules and syringes and the scope of practice for MFR's.

**VI. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 9:54 am. (Stevens/Frisbie)