

**Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
 January 18, 2012

Chair: Dr. Jeffrey Myers called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.  
 Voting Members: 7

Non Voting Members: Attached attendance sheet

See attached motion table

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	November meeting minutes approved	
CORRESPONDENCE	Reviewed	
SEMASC/SEMSCO	Next meeting 1/31 & 2/1 – no report	
DRS. COOLEY & MYERS		
WREMAC CHAIR REPORT	No report	
NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR: VACANT	No report	
PREHOSPITAL COMMITTEE	No report	
G. GILL		
PROGRAM AGENCY REPORTS	See attached	
A. BIG LAKES		
B. SOUTHWESTERN		
C. WYOMING-ERIE		
INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT PROTOCOLS. J. TEUSCHER	Has been updated to include quiz and power point presentation. Dr. Teuscher will send to Donna Kham so she can add to the WREMAC website.	
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT M.KENYON	Final Waveform Capnography Report attached. Please add to WREMAC website.	
EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE	No updates	
C. COOLEY/M.KENYON		
RESEARCH / EDUCATION	No updates	
J. MYERS		
E-PCR-B. CLEMENCY	NR	
OLD BUSINESS	CHOB – Dr. Bass is the new Trauma Director for CHOB. She gave a brief overview of the Trauma Triage Criteria. CHOB takes Trauma patients through 18 years of age. Call MD at CHOB to help adult patients make informed decision regarding the best care for the patient. Liberal use of medical control is beneficial. Suggested WREMAC develop QA reporting system and catch gray zone calls for review. No change in the protocol at present (16 + to ECMC, under 16 to WCHOB)	
NEW BUSINESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Medical Director Application Changes –Program agencies will discuss w/Dr. Myers to make changes to current application to reduce duplication.</li> <li>2. CO Update: Dr. Young discussed the early stages of a proposed guideline to help</li> </ol>	

	<p>identify other chambers if patient is stable. Will forward report once completed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Developing FAQ's page on WREMAC website for most common protocol questions.</li> <li>4. Need to add DOA instructions to ALS protocols. DOA requires due diligence and person needs to be assessed before calling for on line medical direction.</li> <li>5. Etomidate Shortage: will be available in February. Morphine, Fentanyl and Midazolam on back order.</li> <li>6. Suspected Spinal Injuries: Complaints regarding the misapplication of Protocols. Encourage Medical Director and Agencies to refresh training and ensure compliance with protocols.</li> <li>7. Dr. Clemency will likely develop a demonstration project to allow intermediates to monitor EKG's. There was discussion about a demo project for BLS to perform 12 leads and transmit to medical direction site – may benefit some rural areas.</li> <li>8. <b>Medical Director Changes</b> – Carlton Fire Company from Dr. Wolfe to Dr. Ellie, Hartland Volunteer Fire Co. from Dr. Torres to Dr. Pendyala, Maple Springs Fire Co. from Dr. Blum to Dr. Leonard Franco; Ridgeway Fire Company from Dr. Nadeau to Dr. Ellie; South Wilson VFC from Dr. Mullaney to Dr. Pendyala; Starflight (dba WCAS Corp) from Dr. Blum to Dr. Franco.</li> <li>9. <b>Level of Care Upgrades</b> – Alexander EMS Basic to Intermediate; Shawnee VFC CC to Paramedic.</li> <li>10. <b>PAD Notification:</b> Accellent, Inc; Alabama FD; Alabama Full Gospel Fellowship; Bethany VFD; Bowmansville VFA; Buffalo FD; Buffalo Suzuki Strings; City of Batavia; Collins Center FC; Community Fire Company of Pavillion ; Crittenden VFD; Doyle FD; East Pembroke FD; Eggertsville FD;; First Volunteer FC of Bergholz; Goya Foods; Indian Falls FC; Lackawanna FD; North Boston; Pembroke FC; S Wilson VFC; Rescue Hose #1; Stafford FD; Twin District Fire Co; Wegmans; Wyoming Hook and Ladder</li> <li>11. <b>EPI Notification:</b> Alabama FD; Bethany VFD; Bowmansville VFA; Central Orleans Vol Amb; City of Batavia; Collins Center FC; Crittenden VFD; Lackawanna FD; Mercy Flight Inc dba Mercy EMS; Millgrove FD; Rescue Hose Co #1; South Wilson VFC; Twin District FC</li> <li>12. <b>Albuterol for Approval:</b> Alabama FD; Albion Fire ES; Alexander EMS; Bowmansville; Carlton Fire Co. #1; Central Orleans Vol Amb; City of Batavia; Collins Center Fire Co; Crittenden; Darien Center Chemical Fire Co.; Eggertsville FD; Fancher Hulberton Murray VFC; Hartland VFC; Lackawanna FD; Mercy Flight dba Mercy EMS; Millgrove FD; Pekin Fire Co Inc; Twin District FC Ridgeway VFC</li> </ol>	<p align="center"><b>SEE MOTION TABLE</b></p> <p align="center"><b>SEE MOTION TABLE</b></p> <p align="center"><b>SEE MOTION TABLE</b></p>
<p><b>ISSUES FROM THE FLOOR</b></p>	<p>Motion carried to allow WREMAC Chair to sign off on BLSFR updates and certificate transfers provided the agency does not have a change in level of care and these will be read into minutes.</p>	<p align="center"><b>SEE MOTION TABLE</b></p>
<p><b>ADJOURNMENT</b></p>	<p><b>Adjourn – J. Myers</b></p>	
<p align="center">THE NEXT WREMAC MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 21ST AT 1PM AT THE ERIE COUNTY TRAINING &amp; OPERATIONS CENTER.</p>		

## 2011 Motion Table – Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

#	DATE	MOTION	MADE BY	SECOND	ABSTAIN	NAY	APPROVED
11-1	01/19/11	Previous Minutes	Dr. Myers	Dr. Borton			X
11-2	01/19/11	Protocols	Dr. Myers	Dr. Clemency			X
11-3	01/19/11	Interfacility Transfer Protocols w/changes	Dr. Borton	Dr. Kenyon			X
11-4	01/19/11	BLS Glucometry – Hindsdale Fire Department Marilla Fire Company Otto Volunteer Fire Company	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Kenyon			X
11-5	01/19/11	Medical Director Change Orchard Park Fire District Dr. Clemency to Dr. Billitier	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. LaMothe	Dr. Cooley		X
11-6	01/19/11	Meeting Adjourned	Dr. Kenyon	Dr. Cooley			X
11-7	03/16/11	Previous Minutes	Dr. Notebaert	Dr. Clemency			X
11-8	03/16/11	Castile Fire Dept. – e-PCR approval	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Cooley			X
11-9	03/16/11	Monroe Fire Dept. – e-PCR approval	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Cooley			X
11-10	03/16/11	Vigilant Fire Company – request for verification letter for I/TLS level of care	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Teuscher			X
11-11	03/16/11	Shawnee Vol. Fire – upgrade from intermediate to CC level	Dr. Borton	Dr. Lakomy			X
11-12	03/16/11	BGH – request to change WREMAC representation to Dr. McGee primary and Dr. Teuscher alternate	Dr. Kenyon	Dr. Notebaert			X
11-13	03/16/11	Blossom Fire Co. – request for downgrade from ALS to BLS	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Notebaert			X
11-14	03/16/11	N. Tonawanda Medical Director Change request – Dr. Torres to Dr. Borton	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Borton		X
11-15	03/16/11	BLS Glucometry Cattaraugus Area Ambulance Service East Otto Fire Department Ellicottville/Great Valley Ambulance Ischua Fire Department	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Borton			X

11-16	05/18/11	Previous Minutes	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Notebaert					X
11-17	05/18/11	Diversion Policy	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Teuscher					X
11-18	05/18/11	Stretcher Off Load Policy	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Notebaert					X
11-19	05/18/11	Warsaw e-PCR request	Dr. Cooley	Cr. Clemency					X
11-20	05/18/11	LVAC Equipment Waiver – will approve but need to make sure this does not need REMSCO approval prior. If so, will be sent to next REMSCO mtg.	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Cooley					X
11-21	05/18/11	Frontier Upgrade – paperwork not in order – will move to next mtg.							TABLED
11-22	05/18/11	BLS Glucometry – Allegany Fire District, Alexander EMS, Bergen Fire Dept., Chautauqua Fire Dept., Cherry Creek Fire District, Ellicottville/Great Valley Ambulance Service, Ellington Fire Dept., Fluvanna Fire Dept., Franklinville Fire Dept., Kennedy Fire Dept.	Dr. McGee	Dr. Cooley					X
11-23	05/18/11	Medical Director Change Requests Alabama Fire Dept., Alexander EMS, City of Batavia Fire Dept., Bergen FD, Bethany VFD, Byron FD, Corfu Rescue Hook and Ladder, Darien Center Chemical Fire Department, Darien EMS, East Pembroke FD, Elba FD, Leroy Ambulance, Pavilion FD, Stafford VFD - all Dr. Notebaert to Dr. Lynch	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Lakomy					X

11-24	05/18/11	COVA – Dr. Steven Wolfe to Dr. Jay Ellie Wilson from Dr. Dennis Mullaney to Dr. Prashant Pendyala Franklinville Fire Department – Dr. R Patel to Dr. P.H. Lamothe South Lockport Fire Co – from Dr. M. Torres to Dr. Jason Borton. Meeting adjourned	Dr. Notebaert Dr. Notebaert Dr. Cooley	Dr. Lakomy Dr. Lakomy			X X
11-25	06/15/11	May Meeting Minutes	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Teuscher			X
11-26	06/15/11	Stretcher Off-Loud Policy – updated	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Notebaert			X
11-27	06/15/11	WREMAC Membership Change United Memorial from Dr. Notebaert to Dr. Lynch	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Clemency			X
11-28	06/15/11	WREMAC Membership Change St. Mary's Hospital from Dr. Lloyd Brown to Dr. Lakomy and Dr. Lloyd Brown as alternate	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Notebaert			X
11-29	06/15/11	WREMAC Membership Change DeGraff Memorial Hospital from Dr. Takats to Dr. Lynch	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Notebaert			X
11-30	06/15/11	BLSFR Update – Frontier with addition of Epi and Albuterol	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Notebaert			X
11-31	06/15/11	e-PCR Gainsville Fire Rescue Lancaster Volunteer Ambulance Corps	Dr. Notebaert	Dr. Lakomy			X
11-32	06/15/11	GLS Glucometry – Hamburg Fire Department	Dr. Notebaert	Dr. Teuscher			X
11-33	06/15/11	Darrien Lake Level of Care Upgrade (change of ownership requires new forms previously approved)	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Cooley			X
11-34	06/15/11	Medical Director Changes Town of Batavia, Oakfield FD, Pembroke FC, Indian Falls FD, Mercy EMS – from Dr. Notebaert to Dr. Lynch	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Notebaert		X
11-35	06/15/11	Medical Director Changes Springville FD and East Concord FD	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Notebaert			X

		from Dr. Verby to Dr. Tiballi							
11-36	06/15/11	Summer Transfer of Power to Chair for decisions	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Notebaert	Dr. Myers				X
	07/13/11	Mercy Flight MD Change from Dr. Torres to Dr. Billitter							X
11-37	06/15/11	Meeting Adjourned	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Notebaert					X
11-38	9/21/11	Motion to approve June meeting minutes	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Lynch					X
11-39	9/21/11	Motion to approve Pike Rescue Squad's application for level-of-care upgrade from Intermediate to Critical Care.	Dr. Kenyon	Dr. Lynch					X
11-40	9/21/11	Motion to recognize Patchin Fire Company as a BLS First Response agency authorized to possess and use Epi-Pens, Albuterol, and an AED.	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Lakomy					X
11-41	9/21/11	Motion to approve and send a letter of support for the County of Niagara's request for ALS service for an Emergency Response Team.	Dr. McGee	Dr. Lynch	Dr. Myers Dr. Clemency				X
11-42	9/21/11	Motion to approve Mercy EMS' application for blood glucometry.	Dr. Kenyon	Dr. Teuscher					X
11-43	9/21/11	Motion to authorize the Chairman to cast one ballot for approval of all proposed medical director changes. Brocton Fire Dept – from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Michael Filice Cassadaga VFD - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker Dunkirk FD - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Michael Filice East Dunkirk Fire Co. - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Michael Filice Forestville VFD - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Michael Filice Fredonia FD - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Michael Filice Hartfield VFD - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker Lily Dale FC - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker City of Olean FD – from Dr. Kerry	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Clemency					X

			<p>Storch to Dr. P.H. Lamothe</p> <p><b>Perrysburg VFC</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Portland VFD</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Ripley Fire Dist.</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Sheridan Fire Dept.</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Silver Creek Emergency Squad</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Stockton VFC</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Fire Dept. of Westfield</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Jason Barker</p> <p><b>Wrights Corners Fire Co. Inc.</b> - from Dr. Dennis Mullaney to Dr. Michael Martin.</p> <p><b>WCA Services</b> - from Dr. Cooley to Dr. Michael Filice.</p>					
11-44	9/21/11		<p>Motion to issue a waiver for number of agencies to which Dr. Clemency provides medical direction.</p>	Dr. Cooley	Dr. McGee	Dr. Clemency		X
11-45	9/21/11		<p>Motion to adjourn</p>	Dr. Cooley	Dr. Clemency			X
11-46	11/16/11		<p>Motion to accept September WREMAC Meeting Minutes</p>	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Lamothe			X
11-47	11/16/11		<p>Motion to accept inter-facility transfer protocol changes - to include cc's can transport</p>	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Lynch			X
11-48	11/16/11		<p>Motion to accept changes to ILS/ALS agency Fluids/Medication minimum stocking requirements - Narcan from 4 to 2</p>	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Kenyon			X
11-49	11/16/11		<p>Motion to accept 2012 Research Project - study of diabetic treat and release patients</p>	Dr. Lakomy	Dr. Clemency			X
11-50	11/16/11		<p>Motion to recognize <b>Harris Corners Rescue Squad, Morton's Corners and City of Lackawanna</b> as a BLS FR agency with Epi-Pen/Albuterol/AED; Recognition of <b>N. Bailey VFC</b> as a BLS FR agency with AED.</p>	Dr. Lamothe	Dr. Clemency			X

11-51	11/16/11	Motion to approve Holland Fire District #1 for BLS Glucometry	Dr. Lamothe	Dr. Clemency		X
11-52	11/16/11	Motion to approve request for Medical Direction prior to adult and pediatric transport	Dr. Kenyon	TABLED – see minutes		TABLED
11-53	11/16/11	Motion to approve the following Medical Director <b>Town of Olean VFD</b> from Dr. Storch to Dr. Lamothe <b>Richburg-Wirt Fire Co.</b> from Dr. Coch to Dr. Edwards; <b>Morton's Corners Fire Dept.</b> from Dr. Very to Dr. Tiballi; <b>Medical Transport Services</b> from Dr. Coch to Dr. Edwards	Dr. Kenyon	Dr. Clemency		X
11-54	11/16/11	Motion to elect Dr. Brian Clemency as Vice Chairman of WREMAC	Dr. Kenyon	Dr. Lamothe; Dr. Lakomy; Dr. Kenyon; Dr. Teuscher		X
11-55	11/16/11	Motion to Adjourn	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Lamothe		X
12-01		Motion carried to allow WREMAC Chair to sign off on BLSFR updates and certificate transfers provided the agency does not have a change in level of care and these will be read into minutes.	Dr. Clemency	Dr. Borton		X
12-02		<b>Motion to Approve the following Medical Director Changes</b> – Carlton Fire Company from Dr. Wolfe to Dr. Ellie, Hartland Volunteer Fire Co. from Dr. Torres to Dr. Pendyala, Maple Springs Fire Co. from Dr. Blum to Dr. Leonard Franco; Ridgeway Fire Company from Dr. Nadeau to Dr. Ellie; South Wilson VFC from Dr. Mullaney to Dr. Pendyala; Starflight (dba WCAS Corp) from Dr. Blum to Dr. Franco.	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Kenyon		X
12-03		<b>Motion to Approve the following Level of Care Upgrades</b> – Alexander EMS Basic to Intermediate; Shawnee VFC CC to Paramedic.	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Kenyon		X
12-04		<b>Motion to Approve the following agencies to perform EPI/Albuterol:</b> Alabama FD; Albion Fire ES; Alexander EMS; Bowmansville; Carlton Fire Co. #1;	Dr. Teuscher	Dr. Clemency		X



	<p>Central Orleans Vol Amb; City of Batavia; Collins Center Fire Co; Crittenden; Darien Center Chemical Fire Co.; Eggertsville FD; Fancher Hulberton Murray VFC; Hartland VFC; Lackawanna FD; Mercy Flight dba Mercy EMS; Millgrove FD; Pekin Fire Co Inc; Twin District FC Ridgeway VFC</p>		<p><b>Dr. Kenyon</b></p>	<p><b>Dr. Clemency</b></p>	
<p><b>12-05</b></p>	<p><b>Motion to Approve the following agencies to perform BLS Glucometry:</b> Bethany Volunteer Fire Dept; Bowmansville VFA; Dunkirk Fire Department; Millgrove Fire Department</p>				<p><b>X</b></p>

WESTERN REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VOTING MEMBERSHIP

ATTENDANCE SHEET  
January 18, 2012

HOSPITAL	REPRESENTATIVE	ALTERNATE	SIGNATURE	EXCUSED/ABSENT
<b>BIG LAKES REMSCO</b>				
HOSPITAL	REPRESENTATIVE	ALTERNATE	SIGNATURE	EXCUSED/ABSENT
DEGRAFF MEMORIAL	Joshua Lynch, DO			
LOCKPORT MEMORIAL	Jay Ellie, MD			
MEDINA	Steven Lakomy, MD	Lloyd Brown, MD		
MT. ST. MARY'S	John Slobodzian, MD			
NEWFANE INTER-COMMUNITY				
NIAGARA FALLS MEMORIAL				
UNITED MEMORIAL	Joshua Lynch, DO			
REGIONAL COUNCIL REP.	Michael Maak, EMT-P			
AT LARGE 1:	OPEN	NA		
AT LARGE 2:	OPEN	NA		
<b>SOUTHWESTERN REMSCO</b>				
HOSPITAL	REPRESENTATIVE	ALTERNATE	SIGNATURE	EXCUSED/ABSENT
BROOKS MEMORIAL	Jay Barker, MD	Michael Filice, MD		
JONES MEMORIAL	Frank Edwards, MD			
LAKESHORE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM	Tatum Lee, MD			
OLEAN GENERAL	Brian Walters, MD			
WESTFIELD MEMORIAL	Grant Stevenson, MD			
WCA	Leonard Franco, MD			
REGIONAL COUNCIL REP.	Walt Reiser	NA		
AT LARGE 1:	Henri Lamothe, MD	NA		
AT LARGE 2:	Joseph Blum, MD	NA		
<b>WYOMING-ERIE REMSCO</b>				
HOSPITAL	REPRESENTATIVE	ALTERNATE	SIGNATURE	EXCUSED/ABSENT
BERTRAND CHAFFEE				
BUFFALO GENERAL	Kevin McGee, DO			
BUFFALO MERCY	Richard Elman, MD	Joseph Teuscher, MD		
ECMC	Jeffrey Myers, DO	Brian Clemency, DO		
KENMORE MERCY	Raquel Martin, DO			
MFG & MFS	Jason Borton, MD			
ST. JOSEPH'S				
SISTER'S	Tanvir Dara, MD			
TRI-COUNTY	Ronald Mendonza, MD			
VETERAN'S ADMIN MED. CTR.	Jay Newman, MD			
WOMAN & CHILDREN'S	Mark Kenyon, MD			
WYOMING COUNTY COMM.	Greg Collins, DO			
REGIONAL COUNCIL REP.	Gregory Gill, EMT-P	NA		
AT LARGE 1:	Brian Clemency, DO	NA		
AT LARGE 2:	OPEN Joseph Teuscher, MD	NA		



WREMAC QA PROJECT  
Waveform Capnography Compliance

**BACKGROUND/PURPOSE:** Since 2009, New York State has mandated waveform capnography on all intubated patients in the pre-hospital setting. The purpose of this study was to evaluate compliance in the Western New York region with this mandate.

**DESIGN:** All EMS agencies in the WREMAC's Western New York region were required to complete an online survey regarding pre-hospital intubations and waveform capnography during the period of July 1, 2010 until December 31, 2010.

**RESULTS:** Sixty-three agencies completed the online survey. During the study dates, there were 630 intubation attempts. There were 491 (78%) successful intubations. The study did not address the outcome of unsuccessful intubations. Sixty-six percent of successful intubations had some form of documentation regarding waveform capnography while only 29% had documented waveforms in the PCR.

**CONCLUSION:** From July 1, 2010 until December 31, 2010, documentation of waveform capnography on intubated pre-hospital patients occurred less than a third of the time. EMS agencies in the Western New York region must improve their compliance with waveform documentation.