The Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City met on June 30, 2015 at 6:00 PM, at the Offices of the Regional EMS Council, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, New York.

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### Staff

- Nancy Benedetto, MS, AC, Executive Director Administration
- Marie Diglio, EMTP, Executive Director Operations
- Joseph Raneri, EMT, Disaster Coordinator

### Guests

- John Johnstone, NYPD, Police Relief Fund
- John Warwick, Bedford Stuyvesant VAC
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Yedidyah Langsam, PhD, EMTP, Chair. Meetings of the Regional EMS Council are recorded to comply with the Governor’s Executive Order #3 to web cast meetings. A roll call attendance was conducted; a quorum was present.

_A moment of silence was held in memory of Dr. George P. Benedetto, PhD, who passed suddenly June 1st, 2015. George was a police officer, court officer, paramedic, EMS leader, educator, mentor and friend. No one who knew him will ever forget his energy, his easy smile or his laughter. The EMS Community is poorer now that he has gone ahead of us. He will be greatly missed._

Voting rules. A quorum is based on the number of voting seats – whether those seats are filled or vacant. Currently, REMSCO has 26 voting seats, so when voting, a majority of members must vote in the affirmative to pass any motion. That means, 14 votes in the affirmative are needed to pass any motion.

Committee members present were asked if they had comments, questions or corrections regarding the Minutes of the April 21, 2015 meeting. Hearing none, Robert Crupi, MD, motioned that the Minutes be approved as written, seconded by Scott Orlanski. The motion was unanimously approved.

**CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

_The Offices of the Council received the following correspondence:

**Membership:**

- The following members requested to be excused: Mordechai Goldfedder, Martin Grillo.
- NYPD Police relief Fund Ambulance nominates the following individual to serve at its representative to REMSCO in place of Dr. Victor Politi: John Johnstone. Office Johnson is a NYC resident and an EMT. **(REQUIRES VOTE)**
  - It was clarified that this seat is specifically for the NYPD Police Relief Fund. A letter will be sent to NYPD requesting a NYC resident be nominated to fill this seat.

**NYS DOH:**

- Copy of letter sent to Chevra Hatzalah (7191) approving use of Creative EMS Solutions for ePCR submission.
- Statements of fitness and competency for:
  - Lutheran Medical Center transfer to NYU Lutheran Medical Center
  - SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp (1064)
  - Medic East Corp (1064) to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)
Public Notice from New York State Department of Health, Bureau of EMS, Operations Unit, to be read into the REMAC Minutes of the following enforcement actions:

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FDNY EMS:

- PCR Inventory control for April 2015
- Non-compliant PCR for April 2015

Other:

- Collaborative Agreement for administration of Epinephrine Auto-Injector from Horace Mann School.
- **Mutual Aid Agreement from Community Care EMS, LLC, dba, Instacare. Must be signed and notarized by REMSCO Chairperson.**
- Applications for transfer of ambulance operating authority from:
  - Lutheran Medical Center transfer to NYU Lutheran Medical Center
  - SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp (1064)
  - Medic East Corp (1064) to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)
- NYCDOHMH alert 14: West Nile Virus.
- Memorandum of Support for Community Paramedicine for EMS (A07503 Gottfried / S05481 Hannon) from the NYS Volunteer Ambulance & Rescue Association, Inc. (Copies of the Bills were sent to REMSCO members)
- Email from Dr. Reynold Trowers, Harlem Hospital, stating approval of space for training for Universal Emergency Care Training. (This is part of the request for expansion into NY County.)
- The following nominations for EMS Awards were received too late (June 1st or later) for inclusion in vote:
  - Fordam EMS, Agency Of the Year; Sean Graves, EMS Educator; Mitchell Powell, EMS Leadership.
The Office of the Council sent the following correspondence:

- Agendas, Minutes and associated attachments for the meeting.
- Announcement requesting nominations for At Large seats on Regional EMS Council.
  - The following nominations were received: Joseph A. DeMorato; Rachel E. Freier, Esq.; Brian Levinsky, BS, NRP, CCEMT-P; James J. Martin Jr.; Carol Ong, EMT-P; and Mitchell Powell.
- Announcement requesting EMS Award nominations.
- Letter to NYS DOH BEMS nominating the following for EMS Awards:
  - Basic Life Support Provider of the Year, Christopher Valenza, EMT (Fordham University EMS)
  - EMS Agency of the Year, Senior Care EMS
  - Youth Provider of the Year, Jerson John
  - Harriet C. Weber EMS Leadership Award, Jerrold Gelbard, EMT-P
  - EMS Educator of Excellence, William McDonald, EMT-P, PhD
  - Physician of Excellence, Kevin Munjal, MD
  - Excellence in EMS Quality and Safety, Nadine Levick, MD
  - Registered Nurse of Excellence, Frances McCarthy, RN, EMT, CIC
  - EMS Communications Specialist of the Year, David Parenti, SeniorCare
- Public Notices for transfer of Operating Authority applications for:
  - Lutheran Medical Center transfer to NYU Lutheran Medical Center
  - SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp (1064)
  - Medic East Corp (1064) to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)
- Announcement of Demographic Survey posted on the Council’s website. This is to collect data to be used for regional studies and grants.

**STAFF REPORT**

Nancy Benedetto, Executive Director Administration reported the following:

NYS DOH Program Agency contracts were approved (beginning date July 1st, 2015). Changes include creating a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) delineating deliverables selected by Regional Councils and REMACs for their program agencies, and having a stenographic record for all Certificate of Need (CON) and Transfer of Operating Authority (TOA) applications.

Joseph Raneri, Disaster Preparedness Coordinator, gave the Emergency Preparedness Report:

- REMSCO continues to work with FDNY liaisons regarding ways to better streamline the Mutual Aid Mobilizations Plan activation and resource logging process.
- The Mutual Aid MOU and Indemnification application from Community Care EMS, LLC d/b/a InstaCare (DOH#1192) was received.
REMSCO has released a demographics survey for agencies to complete. This survey asks for basic location, contact and staffing information. The survey also acts as an MOU for the NYC POD Plan (ability to access and receive prophylactic medications). So far the following 22 agencies have responded:

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- Agencies need to complete this survey and MOU in order to participate in the POD plan.
- REMSCO has been participating in numerous coalitions regarding coastal storm planning, general patient evacuation, healthcare resiliency and improving data exchange between EMS and hospitals.

**Intranasal Naloxone**

- REMSCO continues to distribute the Intranasal Naloxone kits to ambulance agencies for BLS providers. REMSCO has already begun resupplying IN Naloxone to agencies that have used up their initial supply. Agencies interested in participating in this program can still register online. An online usage survey is available for the mandate QA component of this BLS protocol. Naloxone usage reports are being developed as part of regional QA.

**Ebola Virus Disease PPE Distribution.**

- REMSCO staff is working on a project to obtain additional infection control PPE for agencies, as well as developing standardized infection control training that would be available to providers.

**ePCRs**

- Applications for ePCR submissions have been received from Chevra Hatzalah, ALS Services Inc. and Columbia University EMS.
- ePCR Program:
  - REMSCO staff is currently developing a project to help agencies transition from paper PCR’s to ePCR’s. The ePCR Committee has completed the RFP process and selected Zoll as the
vendor for this project. ePCR Committee has representatives from each sector. Committee members will be testing tablets prior to selection.

- REMSCO staff have been meeting with agencies to present the details of the program, and is currently moving to agency enrollment phase. Staff is anticipating beginning the roll-out to the first group of agencies by August with additional roll-outs to follow as more agencies enroll in the program.

### AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT, Chair Joseph Marcellino, MPH

The Ambulance Committee of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City met on June 30, 2015. The following is a meeting summary:

No new applications for Determination of Need received.

There were three New Applications for Transfer of Operating Authority received. A stenographer was present and recording the meeting.

1. **Lutheran Medical Center (7126) to NYU Lutheran Medical Center (NYU Langone Health System)**

   The following was submitted to the Regional EMS Council in the form of a seconded motion from the Ambulance Committee: “Based upon the receipt of a complete application for Transfer of Operating Authority of Lutheran Medical Center (7126) to NYU Lutheran Medical Center (NYU Langone Health System), and a review of Competency and Fitness having been conducted by the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City and the New York State Department of Health; and that review having revealed no issues challenging Competency and Fitness, it is recommended that approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority of Lutheran Medical Center (7126) to NYU Lutheran Medical Center (NYU Langone Health System), operating authority within the Counties of Kings, specifically the 68 & 72 Police Precincts, be granted.” Copies of the application had been previously provided to all REMSCO members and EMS Community; additional hard copies were present for review at the meeting. The application was discussed and voted upon. The results of the written vote were as follows: 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions; the motion carried.

2. **Medic East Corp. (1064) to Seniorcare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)**

   The following was submitted to the Regional EMS Council in the form of a seconded motion from the Ambulance Committee: “Based upon the receipt of a complete application for Transfer of Operating Authority of Medic East Corp. (1064) dba Seniorcare to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751), and a review of Competency and Fitness having been conducted by the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City and the New York State Department of Health; and that review having revealed no issues challenging Competency and Fitness, recommends that approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority of Medic East Corp. (1064) dba Seniorcare to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751), operating authority within the Five Counties of NYC, be granted.” Copies of the application had been previously provided to all REMSCO members and EMS Community; additional hard copies were present for review at the meeting. The application was discussed and voted upon. The results of the written vote were as follows: 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions; the motion carried.

3. **Seniorcare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp. (1064)**

   The following was submitted to the Regional EMS Council in the form of a seconded motion from the Ambulance Committee: “Based upon the receipt of a complete application for Transfer of Operating Authority of SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) TO Medic East Corp. (1064), and a review of Competency and Fitness having been conducted by the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City and the New York State Department of Health; and that review having revealed no issues challenging Competency and Fitness, it is recommended that approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority of SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) TO Medic East Corp. (1064), be granted.” Copies of the application had been previously provided to all REMSCO members and EMS Community; additional hard copies were present for review at the meeting. The application was discussed and voted upon. The results of the written vote were as follows: 18 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions; the motion carried.
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Public Access Defibrillation Programs
There were 63 NEW PAD Program Registrations received since April 22, 2015.
There were 24 RENEWAL PAD Program Registrations received since April 22, 2015.

TAGs
Thank you to Scott Orlanski and Jerry Gelbard for all the work to gather Mutual Aid Plans (MAP) from regional ambulance agencies. Only two agencies still have not submitted MAPs.
REMSCO will resume printing of REMSCO ID cards within the next couple of weeks. New REMSCO ID card policy will rely on submitted agency rosters to verify provider affiliation.
Multiple agencies have submitted their data for issuance of REMSCO security SPECIALTY stickers. REMSCO will continue to issue security stickers and use security stickers as verification of fleet size for distribution of equipment in current and future projects.
No new report from the Mapping Tag. Must follow-up with OEM.
A Pediatrician from RTAC has joined the Pediatric Safety TAG. Arthur Cooper, MD, Pediatric Trauma Surgeon has asked to join this group also. There will be a conference call over the summer. We have attempted to meet before, but could not find a mutually available date. Documents with information have been emailed to all members.

The next meeting of the Ambulance Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22, 2015.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION REPORT
The Training and Education Committee did not meet. The next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT
The Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (REMAC) of New York City met on Tuesday, June 16, 2015. The following is a meeting summary:

REMAC did not have a quorum, but the following items were discussed:
1) A moment of silence was held in memory of Dr. George Benedetto, PhD, who passed suddenly June 1, 2015. George was a police officer, court officer, paramedic and master instructor. He will be greatly missed.
2) Avi Golden, EMT-P gave a presentation on Aphasia.
3) Members of the NYC College Volunteer Emergency Squad asked for assistance in obtaining a medical director. This group will be applying for BLS First Response status.

The next meeting of REMAC will be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015.

**JOINT REMSCO/REMAC QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

The QA Committee did not meet. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2015.

At this time, we have received two course sponsor applications:

1. Davis Training Programs, Inc – NEW, BLS, Queens County
2. Universal Emergency Care Training – request to expand into NY County (Manhattan)

These applications were discussed. Since the REMSCO has a summer break, it will not be able to act upon these applications within required 45 day time period. Scott Orlanski motioned that the REMSCO deny both applications, with the understanding that the applications would be reviewed over the summer and brought to REMSCO at the earliest Fall 2015 meeting. This motion was seconded by Vincent Barranco and unanimously carried.

**STATE EMS COUNCIL REPORT**

Yedidyah Langsam, PhD, reported that the State EMS Council and the State Emergency Medical Advisory Committee have not met. The next meeting is scheduled for May 13 & 14, 2015.

The State EMS Council (SEMSCO) and State Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (SEMAC) met on May 12 & 13, 2015. Yedidyah Langsam, PhD, representative of the NYC REMSCO was in attendance. The following is a summary of the meetings:

**Lee Burns, Director, Bureau of EMS, NYS DOH reported:**

1. Dr. Howard Zucker, formerly First Deputy Commissioner of Health, has been formally appointed as the Commissioner of the NYS Department of Health. Dr. Zucker was a professor of Clinical Anesthesiology at Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University and pediatric cardiac anesthesiologist at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx.
2. Part 800 changes approved. [Proposed revisions were previously distributed by NYC REMSCO regionally.]
3. Regulations regarding the use/transport of blood products on ambulances are under final review. A letter of support was sent to the State by SEMAC.
4. The CPAP Protocol curriculum is complete and should be distributed shortly.
5. Approximately 90% of PCR data is not collected electronically; that equals ½ million paper PCRs.

**Safety Committee**

1. The ‘Reportable Incident Form’ is in its final draft. Once approved, data will begin being created.
2. The Safety Committee will begin review of regulations regarding ambulance construction from a safety prospective.

**Systems Committee**

1. The CON Tag continues to review the ‘definition of need’ and the CON process. The TAG will be using NYC’s Policy/Procedure as a template to revise the state process.
2. Regulation Revision:
   a. Part 80.136 – Controlled substances for emergency medical services: purchasing, possessing, delivering, administering and safeguarding of controlled substances – revisions approved.
   b. Part 800.5 – Requirements for an advanced life support system – revisions approved.
   c. Part 800.12 – Reciprocal Certification Requirements – revisions approved.

Legislative Committee
1. Community Paramedicine – A7503 Senate Bill – was endorsed.
2. Increase Medicaid Reimbursement for ambulance transport – A1512/S1055 – were endorsed.

EMS for Children (EMSC)
1. Supported changes to Paramedic Equipment and Policy changes.

SEMSCO
1. All members were requested to attend the EMS Memorial ceremony on May 19th, 2015.
2. By-Law revisions were approved. The revised Bylaws will be reviewed for consistency with General Construction Law, Article 41.
3. The ‘Performance Improvement, Quality & Patient Safety TAG’ was created.
4. The BEMS staff have reviewed current ambulance territories and identified nine (9) with issues.
5. The Trauma Center verification process is proceeding very well.

PIER
1. Nominations for EMS Awards must be submitted quickly (by June 1st, 2015).
2. Next year’s deadline has been moved up to May 1st, 2016.
3. Photographs for nominees must be included.

Medical Standards
1. A motion was made to approve the administration of Ketamine as a Standing Order under certain circumstance (i.e., IM in excited delirium and IV for facilitated intubation)
2. The NYC REMAC Protocols (previously approved by SEMAC, including Spine Injury), were approved. NYS DOH BEMS Staff requested that the spine injury protocols be held until staff completes development of training materials. There were questions regarding QI for conscious sedation and spinal immobilization.

(YNC REMSCO discussed the BEMS request to postpone implementation of spine injury protocols. It was suggested that if NYS DOH BEMS cannot provide educational materials by September 2015, REMAC will develop a curriculum for regional use.)
3. NYC REMAC HazTac Protocols were approved.
4. Western NY Protocols (previously approved by SEMAC):
   a. There was a lengthy discussion regarding:
      i. Needle cricothyroidotomy
      ii. Pediatric Zofran dosage
      iii. Nasal Fentanyl
      iv. Rectal Valium (SEMAC Discussed this. There was an old SEMAC decision not to allow use of rectal route of administration. This old decision was overturned).
5. Spinal TAG Report
   a. There was a lengthy discussion regarding implementation timeline.
6. Hemorrhage Management  
   a. There was a discussion regarding the protocol. A motion to accept the report and forward to SEMAC was approved. (SEMAC accepted the TAG report, made revisions and recommended BEMS create a protocol).

7. An Epinephrine Demonstration Project was approved by SEMAC. This requires approval from the Commissioner.  
   a. This project will study the administration of epinephrine via syringe by BLS providers. Similar projects exist nationally due to extremely high cost of epi-pens. The Rochester region was approved to conduct this demonstration project.

[NYC REMSCO discussed this demonstration project. It was stated that any region that wishes to participate can. Jerrold Gelbard asked that REMAC consider joining this demonstration project.]

Training and Education

1. It was stated that BEMS staff will do everything in its power to fast-tract spine injury education materials, but they BEMS cannot give an exact date. However, Lee Burns assured the Committee that training materials would be completed well in advance of the next SEMSCO/SEMAC meetings.

2. Discussion of CLI testing:  
   a. Problems have been identified regarding the use of different equipment during testing. Also, there is no ONE way to perform a skill, which can cause issues during testing.

[NYC REMSCO Training & Education Committee identified these issues many, many years ago. It was stated that in the NYC region, when testing CLI candidates, multiple types of equipment must be available. Also, Course Sponsor training centers which nominate CLI candidates, are advised that candidates will be practically tested and they must train their nominees on all skill stations. Additionally, there is more than ONE way to perform almost any skill. Master instructors must be used when testing instructor candidates, so that the candidate’s abilities can be better gauged.]

3. Regional faculty update in final draft:  
   a. BEMS Staff will also be selecting and creating new faculty. (What happens to current regional faculty?)  
   b. A roll-out will be held at Vital Signs (By BEMS invite only?)  
   c. BEMS Staff goals include instructor updates on-line, once a year.  
   d. There was a motion to have Protocol Updates occur once a year (including operational and education policies).

4. It was reported that there is an average of 15 days from the time of the certification exam to notification of the course sponsor.

5. Recent State EMS Certification exam passing rates:  
   a. EMT-83%  
   b. AEMT-100%  
   c. CC-100%  
   d. Paramedic 100%

6. The NYS Paramedic testing stations will now include six (6) National Registry practical skills stations.

7. There was a discussion and comparison of EMT-CC vs Paramedic levels.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No Unfinished Business.
NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Report / Elections

The Nominating Committee of the Regional EMS Council of New York City, Inc. met on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 5:30 PM. Nominating Committee members are: Maryanne Sawyer; Robert Crupi, MD; Jerrold Gelbard; Marvin Raidman; Michael Jones, MD; Jack Kishk.

The primary function of the Nominating Committee, which is comprised of three (3) members of the Board of Directors and three (3) members of Regional Council, is to review the nominees for appropriate provider representation and balance, as well as the expertise of the individuals in the areas most appropriate for the particular period of time the Regional Council will elect At-Large members.

The following were recommended for appointment as At Large members beginning July 1, 2015:

- Joseph A. DeMorato, EMT-P
- Rachel E. Freier, EMT
- Mitchell S. Powell, EMT-P

Member’s terms are for four (4) years, ending June 30, 2019.

Additional nominations were requested from the floor. Brenda Morrissey nominated Sean Graves. Ms. Morrissey was advised to submit a letter of recommendation and resume for Mr. Graves. This will returned to the Nominating Committee, and Elections postponed until the Fall REMSCO meeting.

No further business remaining, the meeting of the Regional EMS Council was adjourned. The next meeting will be held October 27, 2015.
The Ambulance Committee of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City met on June 30, 2015 at 5:00 PM, at the Offices of the Regional Council, 475 Riverside Drive, Lounge, New York City.

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Joseph Marcellino, Chair, was detained, so Vincent Barranco, called the Ambulance Committee to order. Committee members present were asked if they had comments, questions or corrections regarding the Minutes of the April 21, 2015 meeting. Hearing none, Jerrold Gelbard motioned that the Minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by James Downey, and approved unanimously.

Correspondence Report

The Offices of the Council received the following correspondence:

Membership:

- The following members requested to be excused: Joseph Marcellino.

NYS DOH:

- Copy of letter sent to Chevra Hatzalah (7191) approving use of Creative EMS Solutions for ePCR submission.
- Statements of fitness and competency for:
  - Lutheran Medical Center transfer to NYU Lutheran Medical Center
  - SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp (1064)
  - Medic East Corp (1064) to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)

FDNY EMS:
• Appointment of EMS Chief Officers Ops Order 2015-131.

Other:

• Mutual Aid Agreement from Community Care EMS, LLC, dba, Instacare. Must be signed and notarized by REMSCO Chairperson.

• Applications for transfer of ambulance operating authority from:
  ➢ Lutheran Medical Center transfer to NYU Lutheran Medical Center
  ➢ SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp (1064)
  ➢ Medic East Corp (1064) to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)

The Office of the Council sent the following correspondence:

• Agendas, Minutes and associated attachments for the meeting.

• Public Notices for transfer of Operating Authority applications for:
  ➢ Lutheran Medical Center transfer to NYU Lutheran Medical Center
  ➢ SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp (1064)
  ➢ Medic East Corp (1064) to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)

• Announcement of Demographic Survey posted on the Council’s website. This is to collect data to be used for regional studies and grants.

Review of New Applications for Determination of Need

No new applications received.

Review of New Applications for Transfer of Operating Authority

Three (3) new applications were received:
  • Lutheran Medical Center (7126) to NYU Lutheran Medical Center (NYU Langone Health System)
  • Medic East Corp. (1064) to Seniorcare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751)
  • Seniorcare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) to Medic East Corp. (1064)
The applications were reviewed and discussed. The following motions were made:

**Lutheran Medical Center**

The Ambulance Committee of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City finds, based upon the receipt of a complete application for Transfer of Operating Authority of Lutheran Medical Center (7126) to NYU Lutheran Medical Center (NYU Langone Health System), and a review of Competency and Fitness having been conducted by the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City and the New York State Department of Health; and that review having revealed no issues challenging Competency and Fitness, recommends that approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority of Lutheran Medical Center (7126) to NYU Lutheran Medical Center (NYU Langone Health System), operating authority within the Counties of Kings, specifically the 68 & 72 Police Precincts, be granted. *Motion made by James Downey, seconded by Scott Orlanski. 9 in favor, 1 abstain, 0 opposed. The motion carried.*

**Medic East Corp.**

The Ambulance Committee of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City finds, based upon the receipt of a complete application for Transfer of Operating Authority of Medic East Corp. (1064) dba Seniorcare to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751), and a review of Competency and Fitness having been conducted by the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City and the New York State Department of Health; and that review having revealed no issues challenging Competency and Fitness, recommends that approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority of Medic East Corp. (1064) dba Seniorcare to SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751), operating authority within the Five Counties of NYC, be granted. *Motion made by James Downey, seconded by Joshua Hans. 9 in favor, 1 abstain, 0 opposed. The motion carried.*

**SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc.**

The Ambulance Committee of the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City finds, based upon the receipt of a complete application for Transfer of Operating Authority of SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) TO Medic East Corp. (1064), and a review of Competency and Fitness having been conducted by the Regional Emergency Medical Services Council of New York City and the New York State Department of Health; and that review having revealed no issues challenging Competency and Fitness, recommends that approval of the Transfer of Operating Authority of SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services, Inc. (0751) TO Medic East Corp. (1064), operating authority within the Five Counties of NYC, be granted. *Motion made by James Downey, seconded by Joshua Hans. 10 in favor, 0 abstain, 0 opposed. The motion carried.*

All approved applications will be presented at the Regional EMS Council meeting for action.
## Public Access Defibrillation Programs

NEW PAD Program Registrations April 22, 2015 - June 30, 2015

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Emergency Preparedness Report: Joseph Raneri, Disaster Preparedness Coordinator

Mutual Aid Activation

- REMSCO continues to work with FDNY liaisons regarding ways to better streamline the MAMS activation and resource logging process.
- Received MAMS MOU and Indemnification applications from Community Care EMS, LLC d/b/a InstaCare (DOH#1192)

Planning & Preparedness

- REMSCO has released a demographics survey for agencies to complete
- Survey also acts as an MOU for the NYC POD Plan
- Thus far, have received responses from 22 agencies
  - Rockaway Point Vol. Ambulance and Rescue Association
  - Priority 1 Ambulance, Inc.
  - Chevra Hatzalah
  - Throggs Neck Volunteer Ambulance Corps.
  - Glendale Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc.
  - Maimonides Medical Center EMS
  - Richmond County Ambulance Service, Inc.
  - First Response Ambulance
  - Jamaica Hospital Medical Center
  - BRAVO Volunteer Ambulance Service
  - Primary Care Ambulance Corporation
  - Little Neck Douglaston Community Ambulance Corps Inc
  - College Point Community Ambulance Corps, Inc.
  - Primary Care Ambulance Corp.
  - Ridgewood Volunteer Ambulance Corps.
  - Central Park Medical Unit, Inc.
First Response Ambulance

- Montefiore Medical Center EMS
- Jamaica Estates Holliswood South Bayside Volunteer Ambulance Corps Inc.
- Little Neck Douglaston Community Ambulance Corps
- Mount Sinai – St. Luke’s Roosevelt
- Assist Ambulance

- Agencies need to complete this survey and MOU in order to participate in the POD plan.

- REMSCO has been participating in numerous coalitions regarding coastal storm planning, general patient evacuation, healthcare resiliency and improving data exchange between EMS and hospitals.

**Intranasal Naloxone**

- The distribution of IN Naloxone is still ongoing.
- REMSCO continues to distribute the Naloxone kits. Have provided re-supplies to a handful of agencies who have used up their supply.
- Agencies interested in participating in this program can still register online.
- Currently developing first Q/A report on usage.

**EVD PPE Distribution.**

- REMSCO staff is working on a project to obtain additional infection control PPE for agencies as well as set-up standardized infection control training that would be widely available to providers.

**EPCRs**

- Received applications for EPCR submissions from Chevra Hatzalah, ALS Services Inc. and Columbia University EMS.
- NYC REMSCO staff is currently developing a project to help agencies transition from paper PCR’s to E-PCR’s. The EPCR committee has completed the RFP process and selected Zoll as the vendor for this project.
- REMSCO staff have been meeting with agencies to present the details of the program. Currently moving to agency enrollment phase.
- Staff is anticipating beginning the roll-out to the first group of enrolled agencies by August with additional roll-outs to follow as more agencies enroll in the program.
- ePCR Committee has representatives from each sector. Committee members will be testing tablets prior to selection.
Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Reports

Mutual Aid TAG:
Thank you to Scott Orlanski and Jerry Gelbard for all the work to gather Mutual Aid Plans (MAP) from regional ambulance agencies. Only two agencies still have not submitted MAPs.

REMSCO ID Cards TAG
- REMSCO will resume printing of REMSCO ID cards within the next couple of weeks.
- New REMSCO ID card policy will rely on submitted agency rosters to verify provider affiliation.

Security SPECIALTY Sticker TAG
- Multiple agencies have submitted their data for issuance of REMSCO security stickers.
- REMSCO will continue to issue security stickers and use security stickers as verification of fleet size for distribution of equipment in current and future projects.

Mapping TAG:
No new report. Must follow-up with OEM.

Pediatric Safety TAG
A Pediatrician from RTAC has joined the group. Arthur Cooper, MD, Pediatric Trauma Surgeon has asked to join this group also. There will be a conference call over the summer. We have attempted to meet before, but could not find a mutually available date. Documents with information have been emailed to all members.

Unfinished Business
No report.

New Business
No report.

The next meeting of the Ambulance Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22, 2015.