



EMS S.21 Subcommittee

Meeting #3 - 2019 – Minutes

Date: September 12, 2019

Co-Chairs: Roger Mayo and Chris Stolte

Location: Centre for Health & Safety Innovation, 5110 Creekbank Road, Mississauga

The following is a summary of subjects discussed at the above meeting. Please advise of any errors or omissions.

Attendees:

Members: Roger Mayo (Co-Chair), Chris Stolte (Co-Chair), Isaac Arnold, Travis Brown, Robert Crossan, John MacCarthy, Wayne Markell and Joel Usher

Observers: Rob Nishman (MoHLTC) and Tim Metcalfe (PSHSA)

Facilitator: Julie Jeaurond, MOL

Guest(s): Kathryn Sinden, Assistant Professor – Lakehead University

	Topic/ Presenter	Comments/Action Items
1	Approval of Agenda	The meeting agenda was approved.
2.	Minutes of previous meeting	Minutes of the previous meeting (March 21, 2019) were presented and accepted.
3.	Action Items	Action Items were reviewed and discussed.
4.	PSHSA Update (Tim Metcalfe)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provided a review of the 2018 Annual Injury Analysis Report – EMS.  2018 Annual Injury Analysis Report.EMS.pdf- Discussed as a group the challenges faced by Paramedic Services related to WSIB.- 10% of funds to be allocated on WPV in healthcare and PTSD suffered by First Responders.- Certification I and II on-going in the province.

	Topic/ Presenter	Comments/Action Items
5.	Presentation Kathryn Sinden Lakehead University	Note: there is data in the presentation that has not been published yet, so it is not to be distributed.
6.	Guidance Notes	<p>Guidance Note #11 Synthetic Opioids FINAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussed recommendations from MOL legal branch. Document finalized. Ready for distribution. <p>Guidance Note #12 Trenches and Excavations FINAL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Document reviewed and approved. Ready for distribution. <p>Guidance Note #13 Hazardous Atmosphere and Confined Space Response</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Document finalized, to be sent to MOL's IPPAC for comment. <p>Guidance Note #14 Paramedic Use of Private Sector Novel Conveyances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Document finalized, to be sent to MOL's IPPAC for comment. <p>Guidance Note #15 Hearing Conservation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewed document. Feedback requested. <p>Guidance Note #16 Inclement Weather</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reviewed document. Feedback and existing weather policies to be sent to Joel to develop template.
7.	Roundtable/New Business (all members)	<p><u>R. Crossan</u>: 25% of staff are off – many are mental health related cases, struggling to get funding.</p> <p><u>R. Mayo</u>: Discussed letters from unions represented on the committee to Minister of Labour regarding the request to be a stand-alone committee. Reviewed field visit report by MOL regarding radio/communications issues.</p> <p><u>R Nishman</u>: There is restructuring going on over at MOH but nothing concrete yet. There will be an update on the Helmet Safety.</p> <p><u>W. Markell</u>: RFP process – 3rd party assessing how ambulance service is being delivered in Region 4. Looking at benefits of moving to a regional service.</p> <p><u>J. Usher</u>: Ongoing challenges with MOH and MOL regarding radio communications equipment problems (Lyndsey area).</p> <p><u>Is. Arnold</u>: Self loads installed in all helicopters now. Severe weather policy has been updated. Modified scene response trial in Ottawa. Raised concerns related to notification of disease exposure.</p> <p><u>C. Stolte</u>: 16 members trained in health and safety Parts I & II. Health and safety issues in arbitration.</p>

	Topic/ Presenter	Comments/Action Items
		<p><u>T. Brown:</u> Issues with return to work. Compliance issues related to high vis. and PPE.</p> <p><u>J. Jeaurond:</u> Discussed the issues arising around the province related to staging.</p>
8.	Confirm dates for next meeting and Adjourn	<p>Next meeting date set for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - November 7