



**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: September 15, 2021
TIME: 3:00pm
LOCATION: Indiana Emergency Response Conference
Sheraton - Indianapolis
8787 Keystone Crossing
Indianapolis, IN 46240

MEMBERS PRESENT: G. Lee Turpen II (Private Ambulance)
Myron Mackey (EMTs)
John Zartman (Training Institution)
Melanie Jane Craigin (Hospital EMS)
Andrew Bowman (RN)
Sara Brown (Trauma Physician)

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA

TELECONFERENCE: Charles Valentine (Municipal Fire)
Terri Hamilton (Volunteer EMS)
Thomas A Lardaro (Air Medical Services)
Darin Hoggatt (Paramedics)

Ex-Officio Members: Kraig Kinney (Indiana State EMS Director)
(non-voting) Dr. Michael Kaufmann (Indiana State EMS Medical Director)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Joel Thacker (State Fire Marshal)
Matthew McCullough (Volunteer Fire and EMS)
John P. Ryan (General Public)

OTHERS PRESENT OR PRESENT BY TELECONFERENCE: Don Watson, Jason Smith, Mikel Fort, Stan Frank, Candice Pope, Brittany Fortinberry, and other EMS Community members.

Complete video of this meeting can be viewed at the following link:
<https://acadisportal.in.gov/acadisviewer/Registration/ListOfAvailableTraining>

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 3:01pm by Chairman Lee Turpen. Mrs. Candice Pope called roll and announced quorum. Mr Dale Henson welcomed everyone to the conference and to the EMS Commission meeting. A moment of silence was held in memory of Robert Dowling. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Adoption of minutes from the June 11 , 2021 regular session and the July 30, 2021 Special session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the minutes as written for both the regular and special sessions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Roll call vote taken:

John Zartman <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Jane Craigin <u>Yes</u>	Lee Turpen <u>Yes</u>
Myron Mackey <u>Yes</u>	Darrin Hoggatt <u>Yes</u>	Sara Brown <u>Yes</u>
Andrew Bowman <u>Yes</u>	Terri Hamilton <u>Yes</u>	Charles Valentine <u>Yes</u>
Thomas Lardaro <u>Abstain</u>		

The motion passed. Minutes for both sessions were adopted.

HONORARY CERTIFICATES

a. Emeritus (staff reviewed and granted) –

Baumgardner, Mark

Marik, Paul C.

Taylor, Debra

b. EMS Star of Life

Martincic, Kyle

Staley, Brandon

c. Certificate of Appreciation (staff reviewed and granted) –

Berry, Debra; Dilly, Michael; Glad, James; Faust, Elizabeth; Faust, Jared

d. Stork Award

Belligio, Alex; Higgins, Polly, McGill, Austin; Merrill, Jakeb; Pardue, Phillip; Secoy, Harloid; Sims, Danny; and Walker, Darnell

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Mr. Brian Busching reported that Franciscan Health of Indianapolis has asked for final approval date be push back to May 2023. Mr. Busching also reported that Payton Manning Children's Hospital has applied to be in process to become a pediatric trauma center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve Peyton Manning Children's Hospital application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. Roll call vote taken:

John Zartman <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Jane Craigin <u>Yes</u>	Lee Turpen <u>Yes</u>
Myron Mackey <u>Yes</u>	Darrin Hoggatt <u>Yes</u>	Sara Brown <u>Yes</u>
Andrew Bowman <u>Yes</u>	Terri Hamilton <u>Yes</u>	Charles Valentine <u>Yes</u>
Thomas Lardaro <u>Yes</u>		

The motion passed.

EMS FOR CHILDREN

Ms. Margo Knepfkamp gave several updates on programs that EMSC has going at this time including the Workforce Development collaborative.

INDIANA FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

Mr. Doug Randall briefly spoke briefly about the IERC conference. Mr. Randall also gave an update on other projects that the Fire Chief's Association have going at this time.

INDIANA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION (IEMSA)

Director Kinney reminded everyone of the upcoming conference on October 29th being held at the French Lick Resort in French Lick Indiana.

MOBILE INTERGRATED HEALTH COMMITTEE

Director Kraig Kinney reported the committee held their first in person meeting. The committee discussed the seven (7) programs that has applied to become approved mobile integrated health programs. Director Kinney introduced Ms. Brittany Fortinberry. Director Kinney also gave the background on application and the process. Ms. Fortinberry presented the summary of all 7 programs that had pending applications: Boone County EMS, Crawfordsville Fire, Noblesville Fire, IU Health, Monticello Fire, South Bend Fire, and Superior Ambulance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve all seven programs that applied. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mackey. Roll call vote taken:

John Zartman <u>Yes</u>	Melanie Jane Craigin <u>Yes</u>	Lee Turpen <u>Yes</u>
Myron Mackey <u>Yes</u>	Darrin Hoggatt <u>Yes</u>	Sara Brown <u>Yes</u>
Andrew Bowman <u>Yes</u>	Terri Hamilton <u>Yes</u>	Charles Valentine <u>Yes</u>
Thomas Lardaro <u>Yes</u>		

The motion passed.

EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Commission Zartman gave an overview of the first meeting that was held for the committee. Representatives from the National Registry attended the meeting and talked about things instructors can do to help increase their pass rate percentages. Director Kinney commented and indicated that several initiatives about improving instructor education and the education process are being reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

a. EMS Fatigue Overview –

Mr. Stan Frank presented information from research he has completed regarding fatigue in EMS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the formation of a committee to look at the fatigue issue. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Roll call vote taken:

John Zartman Yes

Melanie Jane Craigin Yes

Lee Turpen Yes

Myron Mackey Yes

Darrin Hoggatt Yes

Sara Brown Yes

Andrew Bowman Yes

Terri Hamilton Yes

Charles Valentine Yes

Thomas Lardaro Yes

The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business for this meeting.

ASSIGNMENTS

a. Today's Assignments

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS – INFORMATION ONLY

1. Waiver Orders

a) General Waiver #5 – COVID operations waivers ties to the public health emergency

b) Personnel Waivers

I. Recertification based on Previous certification waiver – 836 IAC 4-4-2 (h) (1) and (2) – granted – Ratliff, William

II. Request to waive Paramedic testing requirements – 836 IAC 4-9-4 – granted- Swan, Joseph

c) Provider Organization Waivers

I. 836 IAC 2-2-1 (g) - 24 hour/ 7 day requirement – granted

a. Kaiser Warrick EMS

b. Winchester Fire Department

II. 836 IAC 2-2-1 (g) (h) - allow for paramedic coverage when available and allow a driver with a paramedic during transport - granted

- a. Lapel Stony Creek Township
 - III. 836 IAC 2-2-1 (h) (4) (A) – Allow for staffing of patient compartment to be RN (renewal of previous waiver) - granted
 - a. Lutheran Ground CC Transport
 - IV. 836 IAC 1-2-5 – allow altered staffing during interfacility transport to RN and driver or RN and Paramedic - granted
 - a. Rush Memorial Hospital
 - d) Training Institution Waivers
 - I. 836 IAC 4-2-1 (b) – requirement of being a post-secondary institution - granted
 - a. The Staff LLC
 - b. Vigiles Safety Academy
 - e) Provider Waiver Tool
 - I. Batesville FD
- 2. Disciplinary Orders
 - a) Personnel
 - I. Probation 2 year probation
 - a. Brunner, Justin K.

STAFF REPORTS

- a. Data Registry – Ms. Robin Stump reported that we are at about 96% reporting. We are now also working on quality of data. Ms. Stump also announced that there is going to be a personnel change due to Mr. Randall Eimerman turning in his two week notice.
- b. Operations Report – Ms. Robin Stump reported that we have had improved compliance with provider organization application coming in on time since the passage of the sanctions and civil penalties for non compliance. Ms. Stump reminded everyone to keep their information updated in EMResource and talked about the upcoming changes for hospitals to report diversion status through EMResource. Ms. Stump also talked about the upcoming exercise that will include the Mobile Mortuary Unit in Jeffersonville, IN.
- c. Compliance Report – Ms. Pope reminded everyone to get their renewals completed. She also reminded everyone that the new continuing education forms are to be used for all individual renewals starting January 1, 2022. Ms. Pope introduced Ms. Kristine Kruger that just started with the EMS office in July.
- d. Certifications Reports
 - i. Personnel – No report at this meeting
 - ii. Providers – (see attachment #1) report submitted for information only. No action taken. None required.
- e. Training Report – (see attachment #2 for the training report) report submitted for information only.

STATE EMS DIRECTORS REPORT – Director Kinney welcomed everyone to the IERC. Director Kinney announced NESEMSO meeting for this year has been cancelled. Director Kinney briefly discussed CSR's.

STATE MEDICAL DIRECTORS REPORT - Dr. Michael Kaufmann gave updates on several topics.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND DIRECTION- Chairman Turpen talked about the CARES registry and encouraged everyone to use CARES. Indiana is 1% higher than the Nation with cardiac saves. Briefly talked about IEMSA conference and that John Buckman will be one of the speakers. Chairman Turpen emphasized the importance of updating information in EMResource.

NEXT MEETING

IEMSA Conference
 French Lick Resort
 October 28, 2021 at 1pm

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the next Commission meeting date to be October 28th at 1pm in French Lick Indiana and cancel the December EMS Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bowman. Roll call vote taken:

John Zartman Yes

Melanie Jane Craigin Yes

Lee Turpen Yes

Myron Mackey Yes

Darrin Hoggatt Yes

Sara Brown Yes

Andrew Bowman Yes

Terri Hamilton Yes

Charles Valentine Yes

Thomas Lardaro Yes

The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bowman. The meeting was adjourned at 4:52pm.

Approved _____



G Lee Turpen, Chairman

Attachment #1

**Emergency Medical Services
Provider Certification Report**

Date : September 8, 2021

September 15, 2021

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations for the operation and administration of Emergency Medical Services, this report is respectfully submit to the Commission at the **September 15, 2021** Commission meeting, the following report of agencies who have meet the requirements for certification as Emergency Medical Service Providers and their vehicles.

<u>Provider Level</u>	<u>Counts</u>
Rescue Squad Organization	0
Basic Life Support Non-Transport	491
Ambulance Service Provider	96
EMT Basic-Advanced Organization	4
EMT Basic-Advanced Organization non-transport	1
EMT Intermediate Organization	9
EMT Intermediate Organization non-transport	0
Paramedic Organization	204
Paramedic Organization non-transport	15
Rotorcraft Air Ambulance	13
Fixed Wing Air Ambulance	4
Total Count:	837

New Providers Since 01-JUN-21

AROUND THE CLOCK TRANSPORTATION

**Paramedic Certification:
01/15/2023**

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Air Methods Corp, Lifenet Subsidiary, DBA AirLife	Basic Certification: 06/22/2021
FRANCISCAN HEALTH MICHIGAN CITY	Basic Certification: 07/23/2021
LAKE HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT	Paramedic Certification: 07/01/2021
QUEST AMBULANCE SERVICE	Basic Certification: 07/07/2021

Attachment #2

September 2021 EMS Training Report

NREMT pass rates are enclosed in this report. These statistics are for courses ending between August 31, 2020 and August 31, 2021. While we still have a way to go on the EMT program to get up to the National average, we are at or close to the National average at the Advanced EMT and Paramedic levels. The EMT courses are broken down into three separate categories. The top category represents those training institutions whose graduates' average at least 70% after the first attempt which is the standard set by the Commission: 23 programs. This is an increase in 2 programs since the last reporting period which ended in May. The programs in the next category (60% -70%) are near meeting the standard set by the Commission: 16 programs. Those in the bottom category are below standard; 45 programs. Unfortunately, we have more programs under 50% than over. Since the last reporting period there have been six (6) new training institutions opened. 1 in district 4, 1 in district 6, 3 in district 7, and 1 in district 9.

We have implemented site visits to assist struggling programs. We are concentrating on visiting those programs who have between at 60 - 69% pass rate over the past 3 years. In the last 6 months we have visited 14 training institutions giving them support and advice as well as checking to see how they are implementing the skills portfolios into their training programs. Each new program gets a site visit with the EMS Training Coordinator and the appropriate District Manager.

National Registry Pass Rates, August 31, 2020 to August 31, 2021

National or State	Level of Certification	Initial	3d Attempt	6 th Attempt	Total Attempts
National	EMT	69%	78%	78%	72,587
State	EMT	58%	68%	68%	1268
National	Adv EMT	59%	71%	72%	5267
State	Adv EMT	62%	68%	68%	69
National	Paramedic	71%	83%	84%	11,023
State	Paramedic	68%	84%	85%	229

National Registry Pass Rates, August 31, 2018 to August 31, 2021

National or State	Level of Certification	Initial	3d Attempt	6 th Attempt	Total Attempts
National	EMT	68%	79%	80%	229,875
State	EMT	57%	69%	70%	4105
National	Adv EMT	60%	74%	76%	16,116
State	Adv EMT	58%	71%	72%	249
National	Paramedic	71%	85%	88%	34,770
State	Paramedic	65%	82%	85%	660

Emergency Medical Technician

Program Name	Program Code	Attempt	First Att	total pass	ELIG	First Pass %	Total Pass %
Noblesville Fire Department	IN-6086	10	10	10	0	100%	100%
DePauw University	IN-4580	8	8	8	0	100%	100%
IU Lifeline	IN-6509	8	8	8	0	100%	100%
Memorial Hospital South Bend	IN-4157	7	7	7	0	100%	100%
Parkview Regional Medical Center	IN-5296	7	7	7	0	100%	100%
City of Lawrence Fire Dept	IN-6625	3	3	3	0	100%	100%
Superior Ambulance	IN-4082	3	3	3	0	100%	100%
Fort Wayne fire Department	IN-5988	1	1	1	0	100%	100%
Hancock Regional Hospital	IN-4577	1	1	1	0	100%	100%
Memorial Hospital Jasper	IN-5271	1	1	1	0	100%	100%
St Mary Medical Center/Hobart	IN-4943	11	10	11	0	91%	100%
Scott Co EMS	IN-4078	7	6	7	0	86%	100%
Indianapolis Emergency Medical Services	IN-4083	44	38	39	5	86%	89%
Hendricks Regional Health	IN-4380	11	9	10	1	82%	91%
Wells-Co Ambulance Service	IN-4913	15	12	12	3	80%	80%
IU Arnett Hospital EMS Program	IN-5936	15	12	12	3	80%	80%
Franciscan St Elizabeth Health	IN-4068	12	9	11	1	75%	92%
Indianapolis Fire Dept	IN-5751	39	29	35	10	74%	90%
Franciscan Health Indianapolis	IN-4080	39	28	32	7	72%	82%
Deaconess Hospital	IN-4516	36	26	28	8	72%	78%
Elkhart General Hospital	IN-4067	10	7	10	0	70%	100%
Carmel Fire Department	IN-5989	10	7	10	0	70%	100%
Central Nine Career Center	IN-5026	10	7	7	3	70%	70%
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Emergency Medical Technician

Winchester Fire Dept	IN-6460	12	7	8	4	58%	67%
Ivy Tech Community College South Bend	IN-4070	36	21	25	11	58%	69%
Ivy Tech Community College - Valparaiso	IN-5747	23	13	14	9	57%	71%
Ivy Tech Community College - Bloomington	IN-4071	45	25	30	15	56%	67%
Ascension Health Indianapolis	IN-4081	46	25	31	15	54%	52%
Indiana University	IN-4495	30	16	23	7	53%	77%
Ivy Tech Community College Terre Haute	IN-4612	21	11	12	9	52%	57%
J. Everett Light Career Center	IN-6480	16	8	11	5	50%	69%
Harrison county Hospital EMS	IN-4336	16	8	11	5	50%	69%
Goshen Hospital	IN-4162	16	8	10	6	50%	63%
Winchester Fire Dept	IN-6460	4	2	2	2	50%	50%
St Mary of the Woods College	IN-6538	2	1	1	1	50%	50%
Community Howard Regional Health	IN-5804	2	1	1	1	50%	50%
LaPorte Co. Career and Tech Ed	IN-5994	4	2	2	2	50%	50%
Franciscan Alliance Crawfordsville	IN-6002	2	1	1	1	50%	50%
Ivy Tech Community College Madison	IN-4542	2	1	1	1	50%	50%
Pulaski Co EMS	IN-4076	4	2	2	2	50%	50%
Ripley Co EMS	IN-6146	8	4	4	4	50%	50%
Pelham Training	IN-4668	186	92	116	70	49%	62%
Richmond Fire Department	IN-5707	13	6	8	5	46%	62%
Ivy Tech Community College-Kokomo	IN-4362	20	9	12	8	45%	60%
Clay Fire Territory	IN-4756	9	4	7	2	44%	78%
Ivy Tech Community College Northeast	IN-4169	63	28	40	23	44%	63%
Scott Township Fire and EMS	IN-6442	13	5	6	7	44%	50%
Lutheran EMS Training Center	IN-6351	18	8	10	8	44%	56%
Ivy Tech Community College-Evansville	IN-4141	51	21	27	14	41%	53%
Vincennes University Jasper Center	IN-4478	5	2	3	2	40%	60%
Methodist Hospitals	IN-4072	35	14	18	17	40%	51%
Johnson Co Memorial Hosp	IN-6582	10	4	4	6	40%	40%
Elkhart Area Career Center	IN-5816	5	2	2	3	40%	40%
Heartland Ambulance	IN-6320	21	8	10	11	38%	48%
Redline EMS	IN-6495	8	3	4	4	38%	50%

Emergency Medical Technician

Vincennes University	IN-4153	9	3	4	5	33%	44%
Benton Co EMS	IN-6548	9	3	3	6	33%	33%
Jennings Co EMS	IN-5887	6	2	2	4	33%	33%
ParkView Huntington Hospital	IN-5269	3	1	1	2	33%	33%
Area 30 Career Center	IN-5147	3	1	1	2	33%	33%
Dukes Memorial Hospital	IN-4912	3	1	1	2	33%	33%
IU Ball Memorial Hospital	IN-4369	31	10	16	15	32%	57%
Ivy Tech Community College Sellersburg	IN-4864	17	5	8	9	29%	47%
New Castle Career Center	IN-5718	21	6	7	14	29%	33%
Hoosier Hills Career Center	IN-6346	11	3	4	8	27%	36%
Union Hosp Health Group	IN-4431	4	1	1	3	25%	25%
Hands on Instruction LLC	IN-6017	8	2	3	5	25%	38%
Illiana EMS	IN-5529	5	0	1	4	0%	20%
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Advanced EMT

Program Name	Program Co	Attempts	First Ath	Cumuli	Cumula	Eligible	For First	Pass %	Third Pass %	Total Pass %
Fort Wayne Fire Dept	IN-5955	14	14	14	14	0	0	100%	100%	100%
Columbus Regional Hospital	IN-4355	7	6	6	6	0	0	86%	86%	86%
Warraw Wayne Fire Territory	IN-6653	21	11	14	14	14	14	52%	67%	67%
Memorial Hospital South Bend	IN-4157	11	6	7	7	3	3	55%	64%	64%
Highpoint Health	IN-4065	2	1	1	1	1	1	50%	50%	50%
IU Ball Hospital	IN-4369	13	6	6	6	7	7	46%	46%	46%
New Castle Career Center	IN-5718	16	6	6	6	8	8	38%	38%	38%

Paramedic

Program Name	Program Co	Attempts	First Att	Cumulative	Eligible	First Pass %	Third Pass %	Total Pass %
Ivy Tech Community college Evansville	IN-4141	9	8	8	8	89%	89%	89%
Indianapolis EMS	IN-4083	53	45	50	50	85%	94%	94%
Community Health Network	IN-4063	5	4	4	4	80%	80%	80%
St Vincent Hospital	IN-4081	13	10	13	13	77%	100%	100%
Scott Co EMS	IN-4078	12	9	12	12	75%	100%	100%
Peiham Training	IN-6266	32	23	26	27	72%	81%	84%
Franciscan Health Indianapolis	IN-4080	23	16	23	23	70%	100%	100%
Hendricks Regional Health	IN-4380	10	7	10	10	70%	100%	100%
Ivy Tech Community College Madison	IN-4542	13	9	10	10	69%	77%	77%
Goshen Health	IN-4162	16	11	12	12	69%	75%	75%
Ivy Tech Community College Kokomo	IN-4362	19	13	15	16	68%	79%	84%
Ivy Tech Bloomington	IN-4071	3	2	3	3	67%	100%	100%
Ivy Tech Community College Terre Haute	IN-4612	9	6	7	8	60%	78%	89%
Methodist Hospitals	IN 4072	12	7	9	9	55%	75%	59%
Ivy Tech Community Northeast	IN-4169	21	11	13	13	52%	62%	62%
Ivy Tech Community College South Bend	IN-4070	10	4	7	7	44%	67%	67%
Franciscan Health Crown Point	IN-4079	6	2	5	5	33%	83%	83%
St Mary Medical Center Hobart	IN-4943	3	1	2	2	33%	67%	67%
Ivy Tech Community College Valparaiso	IN-5747	7	1	2	2	14%	29%	29%