



CAMTS UPDATE and EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In-person meeting in Columbus, OH
October 20-21, 2023

Executive Committee: Mr. Sittig, Ms. Rush, Mr. A. Smith, Dr. Becker, Dr. Orr, Dr. Guyette

Board Members Present: Dr. Miller, Mr. House, Dr. Stuhlmiller, Dr. Brunko, Dr. Reinhartz, Ms. Corbett, Dr. Chung, Mr. Bowles, Dr. Holcomb, Mr. Gapinski, Ms. Treadwell, Mr. Sweeza, Mr. Onorato, Dr. Holleran, (Dr. Cohen, October 21st)

Staff Present: Ms. Frazer, Ms. Eichel, Mr. D. Smith, (Ms. Dixon-CAMTS office October 21st)

Members and Liaison Absent: US Transcom representative

Guests: Ms. Linda Meiner (Site Surveyor), Angela Hall (Site Surveyor), Dr. Dhun (CAMTS Global Board Member)

Approval of Minutes: July 2023Dr. Orr

Meeting minutes from the July meeting, previously distributed, were approved unanimously by the Board.

Treasurer’s Report.....Mr. A Smith

Mr. A. Smith reviewed the balance sheet and presented the 2024 Budget based on 58 anticipated site visits for calendar year 2024.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS’ REPORTS:

Ms. Frazer

Announcements and plans for the Board meeting:

Succession Planning A proposal by Dr. Bailey was accepted for succession planning. A Transition Committee, consisting of the Executive Board and Dr. Reinhartz, will work with the consultant in developing the steps forward and report progress to the full Board at each quarterly meeting.

Legal interpretations of BAA – Ms. Frazer discussed program concerns with the indemnification clause in our Business Associate Agreements. Our attorney advises we should only agree to mutual indemnification.

Insurance coverages including cyber protection – the office has been working with our insurance broker to obtain a cyber protection policy either added to the D&O coverage or as a separate policy.

Meeting and AMTC activities – Ms. Treadwell reported updates with AAMS and their strategic plan of growth and collaboration. Dr. Stuhlmiller suggested a CAMTS sponsored pre-conference with AAMS for the future.

ASTNA representation - Ms. Frazer shared that Ms. Corbett’s last meeting as the ASTNA representative is April 2024. Her replacement, if approved by the Executive Board, is Mr. C. Seckel and there are plans for him and Ms. Corbett to attend in April.

New U.S. Transcom representative – Colonel Eveline Yao is our new representative. Ms. Frazer distributed her bio. Ms. Frazer spoke to her, and she had planned to attend this meeting, but got called away. Hopefully she will attend the April 2024 meeting in Chicago.

Meeting with NETEC – Ms. Frazer and Dr. Orr met with Dr. Alec Isakov from Emory in Georgia and Dr. John Lowe from the University of Nebraska who advised there is a National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education (NETEC) committee of HHS. The purpose of the committee is to share education and training, collaboration and support, research policies and procedures to set a standard for special pathogen preparedness and response across the U.S. The NETEC Committee is interested in CAMTS informing transport services about NETEC, the thirteen treatment and transferal centers in the U.S., and readiness metrics for future needs.

PHBTIC - Dr. Guyette is representing CAMTS as a member of Dr. Jon Cromer’s new coalition to address shortages and access to blood supply issues in the U.S.

Reports of Changes policy – Ms. Frazer extended the 05.12.00 Report of Change Policy as an internal document so that the office is consistent in dealing with the various types of change and the feedback we require. Ms. Frazer estimated the office receives at least 4 – 5 Reports of Change every week.

Year 2024 meetings –

January 2024, Zoom meeting with dates TBD

April 25th -27th at the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) headquarters in Itasca, IL (Chicago).

July 17th-21st in Switzerland – Dr. Becker to determine specifics for lodging and meeting.

November 1st – 2nd Salt Lake City, UT.

Mr. D. Smith

Report from EMS World – CAMTS was an exhibitor at the September conference where there was much interest in the Mobile Integrated Health Standards

Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) - Mr. House, Mr. Sittig, Dr. Reinhartz, and Mr. D. Smith are meeting to formalize the MIH process to conduct site visits and determine the process for accreditation recommendations to the full Board.

AMTC Booth and October meeting plans – CAMTS has a booth in the exhibit hall. There is a morning preconference class “Preparing for Accreditation” and an afternoon class with GAMUT on Sunday prior to the beginning of AMTC. Board members and Site Surveyors were invited to attend along with paid participants.

Standards Committee – There will be a Standards Committee Meeting following the Site Surveyors Breakfast on Monday, the 16th. The 12th Edition Standards will be posted for revision comments beginning in January 2024.

Ms. Eichel

QM Evaluations and Summary - Ms. Eichel presented the data from the SS evaluations and review process. Programs feel the process brings a “value added”.

Conference Presentation - Dr. Miller and Ms. Eichel are presenters for the conference speaking on ‘Best Practice’ and Specialty Team Accreditation. Three new Specialty Teams have expressed considerable interest.

Site Surveyor Breakfast will be held Monday, October 23rd at 7 AM.

Medical Protocol update - the physician group and Ms. Eichel met to discuss progress on medical protocol selection and revisions.

Education Committee Meeting – Dr. Holleran discussed updating simulation. There was discussion of online courses and skills with invasive procedures – lab verification (ex. TPATC). Discussed qualifications of educators and suggested a skills checkoff for next edition of standards. Simulation should be driven by quality with the best scenario for approval and upon reaccreditation objectives for any new scopes of care scenarios should be submitted.

Ninth Brain update – July 2023 compliance updates – review of PIF attachments to keep information accurate and easier to view.

Work Group to evaluate Board report ppt – the committee met and revised the ppt board report format.

Ralph Rogers award announcement at AMTC – the scholarship is awarded to Beka Thompson this year. Ms. Thompson is employed by the Arkansas Childrens Hospital – Angel One in Little Rock, AR.

Raffle tickets are available for the Oculus headset to support the foundation.

Peggy Calhoun Memorial Award - Mr. Chris Baker, site surveyor from the Seattle Children’s Hospital is the recipient of the Peggy Calhoun award this year. Unfortunately, he was not able to attend the meeting, due to COVID, but we will send pictures of the Site Surveyor’s breakfast where this is announced.

CCTMC exhibit – Ms. Eichel exhibited for CAMTS at the 2023 conference and was very busy with questions and interest from the clinicians. She stated this is a great opportunity to meet with medical teams and discuss interpretation of the standards.

CAMTS Global.....Dr. Becker

Dr. Becker reported on meeting discussions as follows:

There is a growth of interested services in SE Asia

Met with a new organization – ICARUS – mission is to improve the quality of physician qualifications for air medical transports.

ITIC – Dr. Stephen Hancock, Global board member representing AMPA, will assist Ms. Frazer in the Exhibit Hall from Nov. 6- Nov. 10 in Barcelona.

CAMTS Global accreditation – There are 3 new applicants from Africa.

Accreditation Deliberation - The CAMTS Global Board awarded full accreditation to Embrace Yorkshire & Humber Infant & Children's Transport Service in Sheffield, UK. This is the 4th consecutive full accreditation for this neonatal-pediatric service that provides Surface, Rotor wing and Fixed wing transports.

ACCREDITATION DELIBERATIONS.....The Board

The board entered Executive Session. Dr. Guyette reviewed our Mission Statement, Vision, and Values, as well as the rules of conduct for program deliberations, meeting attendance, and conduct.

There were 16 board accreditation deliberations with 12 Full Accreditations, 2 Probations, 1 continue Provisional and 1 continue Probation. Congratulations to these services that achieved accreditation!

CAMTS Reaccreditations

Arkansas Childrens’ Hospital – Angel One Transport – Little Rock, AR	RW/FW/S
Commercial Medical Escorts - Pompano Beach, FL	ME
Enloe FlightCare – Chico, CA	RW
Geisinger Health System Life Flight - Danville, PA	RW/S
Life Flight Network LLC – Aurora, OR	RW/FW/S
Memorial Life Flight – South Bend, IN	RW

Mercy Health - LifeFlight Network, LLC - Toledo, OH	RW
Midwest Transport Team – Overland Park, KS	RW/FW/S
PHI Air Medical East – Leesburg, VA	RW
Phoenix Air Group, Inc. – Cartersville, GA	FW
REMSA/Care Flight – Reno, NV	RW/S
St. Vincent’s HELP Flight – Billings, MT	RW/FW/S
Survival Flight – Batesville, AR	RW/FW
Unity Point Health LifeFlight - Des Moines, IA	RW/S

Meeting Adjourned - The next meeting for CAMTS and CAMTS Global will be April 25-27, 2024, in Chicago at the American Academy of Pediatrics headquarters.



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