

**AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS**  
**Section of Disaster Medicine**

**Monday, October 28, 2019**  
**11:00 AM to 1:00 PM**  
**Colorado Convention Center, Room 304**  
**Denver, CO**

**MINUTES**

**Section Officers:**

Henry A. Curtis, MD, FACEP, FAAEM (Chair); Marc S. Rosenthal, PhD, DO, FACEP (Immediate Past Chair); Kathy Lehman-Huskamp, MD, FACEP (Chair-Elect); Mitchell Moriber, DO; (Secretary); David Wayne Callaway, MD, FACEP (Councillor); Lillian Lockwood, MD (Newsletter Co-Editor); Sukhshant K. Atti, MD, MPH (Newsletter Co-Editor); Christopher S. Kang, MD, FACEP (Board Liaison)

**Section Members and Guests in attendance:**

Timur N Alptunaer, MD, CPT; Ines Antunes, RN; Sukhi Atti, MD; Anne Bile, RN; Andrew Bern, MD, FACEP; Katharine Button, MD; Micha Campbell, MD; Jessica Castner, PhD, RN -BC, FAEN, FAAN; Stanley Edward Chartoff, MD, MPH, FACEP; David Eng, MD; Constance J Doyle, MD, FACEP; Angela Pettit Cornelius, MD, FACEP; Thomas E Collins, MD, FAEMS, FACEP; Rui Domingues, MD, FACEP; Hannah Evans, MD; Romeo Fairley, MD, MPH, FACEP; Lindsay Flax, MD; David E Hogan, MPH, DO, FACEP; Heather Jones, CCEMT-P; Marc P Kanter, MD, FACEP; Kristi Koenig, MD, FACEP; Thomas D Kirsch, MD, MPH, FACEP; Jon R Krohmer, MD, FACEP; Erik A. Larsen, MD, FACEP; Charles M Little, DO, FACEP; Richard Jeisy, MD, FACEP; Sharon E Mace, MD, FACEP, FAAP; Paula Mayer, MD, FACEP; Meghan Martin, MD; Timothy McDowell, MD, FACEP; Patricia L. Moriber, BSRN, MS, PhD; Stephen Morris, MD, MPH; Nicholas Musisca, MD, FACEP; Ira R Nemeth, MD, FACEP; Samantha Noll, MD; Carl H Schultz, MD, FACEP; Richard B Schwartz, MD, FACEP; David James Scordino, MD, FACEP; Joseph A Scott, MD, FACEP; Jordan Seller, MD; Harry Eugene Sibold, MD, FACEP; Catherine E Steger, DO, MS; Michael J Reilly, DrPH, MPH, NREMT-P; Jon P. Strotkamp, DO, FACEP; Ray E Swinton, MD, FACEP; Cara Taubman, MD, MPH; Brigham R. Temple, MD, FACEP; Melissa Thomas, MPH, MPA; Eric Vaughan, MD, FACEP; James R Waymack, MD, FACEP; Dominique Wong, MD;

**ACEP staff in attendance:**

Patrick Elmes, EMT/P, Manager EMS & Disaster Preparedness

**AGENDA**

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| I. Call to Order, Opening Remarks                    | Dr. Curtis                    |
| II. Introduction of Officers                         | Dr. Curtis                    |
| III. Presentation of Disaster Medical Sciences Award | Dr. Jaquis/Dr. Hunt           |
| IV. Election Results Announcement                    | Dr. Curtis/Mr. Elmes          |
| V. Passing of the Gavel and Remarks                  | Dr. Curtis/Dr. Lehman-Huskamp |

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| VI. Board Liaison Remarks                                  | Dr. Kang               |
| VII. Niche Groups  | Dr. Curtis             |
| VIII. Newsletter/Website Report                            | Dr. Lockwood/Mr. Elmes |
| A. Co-Editors  |                        |
| B. Website   |                        |
| C. Social Media  |                        |
| IX. Disaster Committee Report                              | Dr. Rosenthal          |
| X. Meeting Sponsor Presentation-Teleflex                   | TBA                    |
| XI. Council Report   | Dr. Callaway           |
| XIII. Liaison Reports                                      |                        |
| A. National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health | Dr. Kirsch             |
| B. ASPR  | Dr. Hunt               |
| C. American College of Surgeons-Council on Trauma          | TBA                    |
| D. EMRA Liaison  | Dr. Sachon             |
| E. NEMPAC  | Dr. Jacoby             |
| F. Other Reports from the floor                            | All                    |
| XV. New Business   | Dr. Lehman-Huskamp     |
| XVI. Adjourn   | Dr. Lehman Huskamp     |

 We want to thank our sponsor Teleflex, for powering our meeting and awards ceremony.

### **MAJOR POINTS DISCUSSED:**

#### Call to Order, Opening Remarks-Dr. Curtis

-Dr Curtis opened the meeting with a video from a joint Wilderness/Disaster Section, preconference offering called X-treme. X-treme was a mass casualty exercise with members and volunteers at a local Denver park.

#### Introduction of Officers-Dr. Curtis

-Dr. Curtis introduced the current Disaster Medicine Section Officers.

### Presentation of Disaster Medical Sciences Award-Dr. Jaquis/Dr. Hunt

- The Disaster Medical Sciences Award recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions of national/international significance or impact to the field of disaster medicine. The ACEP, Disaster Medical Sciences Award was presented to by the ACEP President, Dr. Jaquis to Dr. Richard C. Hunt.

Dr. Hunt served as Director for Medical Preparedness and Response Policy on the National Security Council Staff, The White House from 2013 to 2015. At the White House, he led the development and launch of *Stop the Bleed* and played a critical role in the response to the Ebola crisis. He represented the National Security Council's interests in the National Academies report, *A National Trauma Care System: Integrating Military and Civilian Trauma Systems to Achieve Zero Preventable Deaths after Injury*.

Dr. Hunt currently serves as Senior Medical Advisor for National Healthcare Preparedness Programs in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, where he is developing a course on the medical response to overwhelming no-notice trauma events and supports the response to high consequence infectious diseases. Dr. Hunt was Distinguished Consultant and Director of the Division of Injury Response at CDC's Injury Center where he led medical preparedness initiatives for terrorist bombings including the guidance, *In a Moment's Notice: Surge Capacity for Terrorist Bombings*, and the *Tale of Our Cities* conferences. He led CDC's *National Guidelines for Field Triage of Injured Patients*.

\*Staff note-The agenda was amended to move the Niche Group discussion forward.

### Niche Groups-Dr. Curtis

\*Dr. Curtis invited several Niche Group leaders to describe their Niche in greater detail. He referred the attendees to the Niche Group portin of the Disaster Section website. Presentations were offered as follows:

- Dr. Phillips: "Terrorism and Emerging Threats"
- Dr. Atti: "Chemical Disasters"
- Dr. Bradley: Search and Rescue

### Election Results Announcement-Dr. Curtis/Mr. Elmes

-Mr. Elmes discussed the electronic election process which was a first for Disaster Medicine Section. Dr. Curtis announced the election results and new officers as follows:

Chair: Kathy Lehman-Huskamp, MD, FACEP  
Immediate Past Chair: Henry Curtis, MD, FACEP, FAAEM  
Chair-Elect: Eric Goralnick, MD, MS, FACEP  
Secretary: Sukhshanti Atti, MD  
Councillor: Justin Fairless, DO, LP, NRP, FACEP  
Alternate Councillor: Samantha Noll, MD

### Passing of the Gavel and Remarks-Dr. Curtis/Dr. Lehman-Huskamp

-Dr. Curtis reviewed the past two years and summarized the accomplishments of the section. This included support of the Disaster Committee, Just in Time postings for disaster resources, section Facebook page and the Niche Groups.

-Dr. Lehman-Huskamp accepted the gavel and presented him with Letter of Appreciation, for his service to the section, from the ACEP President. Dr. Lehman-Huskamp discussed her vision for the future including Section Grants, resolutions and continued support for ACEP initiatives.

#### Board Liaison Remarks-Dr. Kang

-Dr. Kang pledged continued support for the Disaster Medicine Section and has been proud to be our representative to the ACEP, Board of Directors. He is looking to productive year and suggested that current events be carefully monitored including disaster responses, funding and federal/state legislative activities.

#### Newsletter/Website Report-Dr. Lockwood/Mr. Elmes

-Dr. Lockwood provided an update on newsletter activities. The chair requested, and Dr. Lockwood accepted continuing as the Disaster Section Newsletter. Mr. Elmes will be checking with the co-editors to see if they are interested in continuing and soliciting new ones. The group discussed the process for producing a newsletter.

The website was discussed including “Just in Time” postings, listing resources, Niche Groups and the Facebook page. Mr. Elmes encouraged members to participate on the Facebook page.

#### Disaster Committee Report-Dr. Rosenthal

-Dr. Rosenthal provided the group with a summary of the Disaster Committee activities over the past year and reviewed the committee’s objectives and goal for the coming year including several potential items regarding federal legislation.

#### Meeting Sponsor Thank you Teleflex-Dr. Curtis

#### Council Report-Dr. Callaway

-There were no directly disaster related resolutions. The results of the ACEP officer’s election were announced.

#### Liaison Reports

National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health (Dr. Kirsch)

-Legislation regarding a pilot program to test NDMS.

-Announced an interagency collaboration to look and develop clinical best practices in mass shootings.

Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) (Dr. Hunt)

-Dr. Hunt outlined some of the ASPR priorities for the coming year including Surge Capacity, telemedicine in disaster, NDMS response teams, NDMS Hospitals and healthcare coalitions. He also mentioned disaster courses and the Noble hospital facility at Anniston.

-NEMPAC (Dr. Jacoby)

-NHTSA (Dr. Krohmer) National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA)

-Dr. Krohmer-The group was encouraged all to see current NHTSA initiatives at EMS.gov and noted NHTSA’s continued communication and collaboration between NCDMPH and ASPR.

New Business-Dr. Lehman-Huskamp

-The groups discussed potential section grants, resolutions, twitter account and potential liaisons.

Adjourn-Dr. Lehman Huskamp

-The meeting was adjourned at 12:58 pm