

American College of Emergency Physicians
EMS-Prehospital Care Section Meeting

ACEP25
September 7, 2025
MINUTES

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SECTION CHAIR AND ARE PENDING APPROVAL BY THE EMS-PREHOSPITAL CARE SECTION AT THE ACEP26 MEETING. ANY CHANGES WILL APPEAR IN THE MINUTES OF THAT MEETING.

Participants

Section officers participating for all or part of the meeting included:

Matthew Sarasin
Shaila Coffey
Craig Cooley
Matthew Levy

Others participating for all or part of the meeting include: Please see separate page

Agenda

Call to Order, Opening Remarks	Matthew D. Sarasin, MD, FACEP
Introduction of Officers	Matthew D. Sarasin, MD, FACEP
Voting	
i. Elections for Officers	
ii. Operational Guidelines	

Sponsor Presentation - FirstNet Built with AT&T

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Board Liaison Remarks	Kristin McCabe-Kline, MD, FACEP
Councilor Report	Matthew Levy, DO, MSc, FACEP
EMRA Report	Kyle Essex, DO, NRP, FP-C, CCP-C, C-NPT
ACEP Updates	ACEP Staff
ABEM Subspecialty FAAEM	Bryan Wexler, MD, MPH, CHPCP, CHEC-III, FACEP,
Sponsor Presentation – Abbott	<i>ACEP gratefully acknowledges support by Abbott to underwrite the Section meeting expenses</i>
Organizational Updates	

EMS Committee Chair – Thomas Lardaro, MD, FACEP
NAEMSP – Douglas Kupas, MD, FACEP
NCDMPH – Jeffrey Freeman, PhD
NDLSF- John Williams, MBA
ASPR TRACIE – Rachel Lehman
PHBTIC – Jon R. Krohmer, MD, FACEP, FAEMS

Announcement of New Leadership

New Business	Matthew D. Sarasin, MD, FACEP
Questions/Comments FACEP	Matthew D. Sarasin, MD,
Adjourn	Matthew D. Sarasin, MD, FACEP

Points Discussed

Sponsor Presentation - FirstNet Built with AT&T

- Greg Minor with FirstNet presented on the benefits and capabilities that FirstNet/AT&T provide to the prehospital community

Board Liaison Remarks	Kristin McCabe-Kline, MD, FACEP
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- ED accreditation has started, one is already accredited (U of Alabama)- They have added language into policy about medical malpractice standards- Education- They are having discussion with ABEM around EMS training criteria, length of training, etc

Councilor Report	Matthew Levy, DO, MSc, FACEP
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Councilors have been meeting over last few days- Several resolutions<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Telemedicine - group established, how telemedicine will affect EM- EMTALA - focused on critical access area, telemedicine- Elected new officer - results soon- A section member emphasized how important the council is for pushing forward resources, position statements and legislation. Gives EMS a voice.

EMRA Report	Kyle Essex, DO, NRP, FP-C, CCP-C, C-NPT
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Working on collaboration with NAEMSP - working on upcoming presentation- TCCC course put together- Resolution expected to pass on prehospital blood administration

ACEP Updates	ACEP Staff
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- ACEP Staff update: section lesion –hired manager and extra lesion added to the section

ABEM Subspecialty
FAAEM

Bryan Wexler, MD, MPH, CHPCP, CHEC-III, FACEP,

- Working on disaster medicine ABEM subspecialty; if it continues progress, next ABEM board directors meeting is in Feb'26 and announcements on its progress will come after that
- ACEP wrote a letter of support for it; EMS section and disaster medicine section involved.

Sponsor Presentation – Abbott

- Impact of “One Beautiful Bill”: medicaid cuts, more uninsured, higher EMS call volumes and waiting for transports, etc EMS even more safety net than already are. POC (iSTAT) may mitigate that. (Have troponin, lactate, BMP, etc) may decrease transports and continuity of care with transmission of labs to destination

Organizational Updates

NAEMSP – Douglas Kupas, MD, FACEP

-Firing of NEMSAC council (advocacy council)- 7 members of NAEMSP on that board that were fired. Opportunity to build it back better. Partnering with other organizations to build it with multiorganizational ties.

-9 EMS organizations were at a legislation conference recently promoting EMS to staffers and legislation

-New member benefit - Free access to legal council; two options - 1. closed email about general topics, answers will go out to the whole group; or 2. you can contact directly and they will give specific legal council

- There are now resident and student interest group within NAEMSP (meets monthly)

-The NAEMSP Prehospital Trauma Compendium is almost complete

-Come to Tampa - 2026 NAEMSP last week in January (Jan 26-31)

NCDMPH – Jeffrey Freeman, PhD

-Consolidations of NCDMPH, CGHE, and DIMO - into HIDMC; Supports military and civilian health operations; both a federal organization and academic institute.

- National disaster medical system pilot program - continuing this

- Indo pacific medical readiness program - developing a more robust medical readiness program in the indopacific.

-NIHTSA prehospital blood program - large multi-year program to launch this nationwide

-Council of Chief Medical Officers- consolidated organization more hospital based input to government

- Disaster medicine lecture series - webinars related to disaster medicine; next one on Sept 16 1 pm
- Nation at Risk symposium - panel discussion on sept 9th 3 pm

ASPR TRACIE – Rachel Lehman

- Healthcare emergency preparedness resources- Has many resources to assist EMS in the field related to disaster medicine/Emergency preparedness
- Has came up with a “EMS ID playbook”
- HPP Supplemental Guidance and EMS Cyber and Downtime Assessment.
- Looking for subject matter experts to help peer review their information- reach out if interested

PHBTIC – Jon R. Krohmer, MD, FACEP, FAEMS

- Blood coalition coming together to develop resources, share information and promote prehospital blood use.
- Information can be found at prehospitaltransfusion.org.
- HHRQ has released a draft report on blood/transfusion. Comments through sept 18th. Advised section members to review this and give comments/feedback.
- Recent prehospital blood clinical guide published, working on core competencies, etc to help programs with establishing and maintaining blood program

Announcement of New Leadership

- Dr. Craig Cooley- chair elect
- Dr. Shaila Coffey - Secretary/Editor-in-chief
- Dr. Katherine Raczek - Alternate Councilor

New Business

Matthew D. Sarasin, MD, FACEP

- Use ACEP Engage - all information will go here; please download and use this
- Call for help - put more CME events - people to help with website; still looking for people, we will send out engage message

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