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# **Executive Committee Agenda**

Location: Virtual Attendance Only Time: 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) Microsoft Teams Meeting Link Date: September 4, 2024

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    - iv. () Commissioner Brad Vande Lune [IA], Treasurer
    - v. () Commissioner Aaron Koehler [WY], Member-at-Large
    - vi. () Commissioner Joe Schmider [TX], Immediate Past Chair
- II. Public Comment
  - a. Matters Not on the Agenda Kinney
- III. Old Business
- IV. Reports
  - a. Treasurer's Report- Vande Lune
  - b. Review August 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary
  - c. Chair's Report Kinney
  - d. Bylaws & Rules Committee Report Schmider
  - e. Workgroup Updates
  - f. Executive Director's Report Donnie Woodyard, Executive Director
  - g. National EMS Coordinated Database Administrator Update NREMT
- V. New Business
  - a. Discuss & Approve 2025 Meeting Dates
- VI. Partner Organization Updates
- VII. Adjourn Meeting

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Executive Committee: August 2024 Meeting Summary

#### Meeting Details:

- Chairperson: Commissioner Kraig Kinney
- Date & Time: August 7, 2024, 3:00 PM ET
- Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom Conference

#### Attendees:

- Commissioner Kraig Kinney [IN] Chair
- Commissioner Wayne Denny [ID] Vice Chair
- Commissioner Aaron Koehler [WY] Member-at-Large
- Doug Wolfberg JD PWW / Counsel
- Christie Mellott JD PWW / Counsel

#### Absent, Excused

- Commissioner Joe House [KS] Secretary
- Commissioner Brad Vande Lune [IA] Treasurer
- Commissioner Joe Schmider [TX] Immediate Past Chair
- Donnie Woodyard, Executive Director

#### Agenda & Discussions:

#### I. Call to Order & Welcome

- Commissioner Kinney declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.
- Roll Call conducted by Commissioner Kinney.

#### II. Public Comment

• No public comments were made.

#### III. Old Business

- EMS Workforce Privacy Protection
  - Commissioner Mike Bateman (CO) provided an update. The workgroup did not meet in July, and the next meeting is scheduled for August.
- JEMS Collaboration Update
  - Executive Director Woodyard is continuing work on an agreement with JEMS, which will be presented at a future meeting.

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- Treasurer's Report
  - Commissioner Kinney presented the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Commissioner Vande Lune. The report was accepted as presented.
- Review of July 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary
  - Motion to approve by Commissioner Koehler (WY), seconded by Commissioner Denny (ID). The motion passed, and the summary was accepted as presented.
- Chair's Report Kinney
  - Commissioner Kinney welcomed new Commissioners from South Dakota and Oklahoma. He also recognized the promotion of Commissioner Mike Bateman to Chief of the Emergency Medical & Trauma Services Branch in Colorado.
  - The Compact website has been updated to include a new section on the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).
  - Commissioner Kinney reviewed the Executive Director's written report and entered it into the meeting record.
- National EMS Coordinated Database Report
  - Ray Mollers from the National Registry of EMTs provided an update on the status of the National EMS Coordinated Database.

## V. New Business

- Code of Conduct Update
  - Commissioner Michael Johnson (GA) provided an update on the Privilege to Practice Code of Conduct, which has been revised based on public feedback. The finalized version will be presented to the full Commission in October. The committee discussed next steps, including potential incorporation of the Code of Conduct by reference into a rule, with further consideration by the Rules and Bylaws Committee.
- Amicus Brief Discussion Colorado Paramedic Case
  - Commissioner Bateman (CO) recused himself from the discussion. The Executive Committee and Counsel discussed the appropriateness of filing an amicus brief related to the Colorado Paramedic criminal case. Commissioner Denny made a motion <u>not</u> to proceed with an amicus brief, seconded by Commissioner Koehler (WY). The motion passed. Commissioner Denny clarified that the Commission's decision does not reflect disagreement with other organizations, such as the IAFF, filing amicus briefs, but rather the Commission's position as a governmental body representing multiple states.
- U.S. Department of Education Title IV Funding Public Comment
  - The committee reviewed a proposed public comment letter drafted by the Executive Director regarding Title IV funding. Commissioner Denny motioned to accept the letter and authorize its submission, seconded by Commissioner Koehler (WY). The motion passed.

#### VI. Adjourn Meeting

• The meeting was adjourned following the completion of the agenda.

Motion #	Motion Summary	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vote
1	Approve July 2024 Executive Committee Meeting	Koehler	Denny	Pass
	Summary			
2	Do not proceed with amicus brief for Colorado	Denny	Koehler	Pass
	Paramedic case			
2	Approve and submit public comment letter	Denny	Koehler	Pass
	regarding Title IV funding.			

The official record of this meeting is an audio recording available on www.EMSCompact.gov



<b>Previous Balance</b>	71368.97	8/1/2024
Debits	6,425.00	Debit - (8/1/2024)
	6,425.00	Debit - (7/15/2024)
	1,972.43	Expense Report (8/21/2024)

Subtotal	56,546.54	
Credits	40,000.00	NREMT
Current Balance	96,546.54	9/1/2024
Pending Debits	0.00	
Pending Credits	0.00	
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Respectfully submitted,

Brad VandeLune, Iowa Commissioner | Treasurer

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# September 2024 NEMSCD Administrator Report

24 MEMBER STATES272,936 COMPACT PROVIDERS IN DATABASE325,000 TOTAL ESTIMATED COMPACT PROVIDERS			
State EMS Office	Latest API Submission Date	First API Submission Date	
LOUISIANA	08/31/2024	08/10/2021	
IOWA	08/31/2024	11/01/2023	
TEXAS	09/02/2024	04/02/2021	
IDAHO	08/31/2024	02/07/2022	
WYOMING	09/01/2024	06/16/2021	
KANSAS	08/30/2024	07/30/2021	
UTAH	08/30/2024	09/29/2021	
COLORADO	08/30/2024	10/26/2020	
MISSISSIPPI	09/02/2024	04/28/2022	
GEORGIA	09/03/2024	10/05/2021	
SOUTH CAROLINA	08/29/2024	03/25/2021	
MISSOURI	08/30/2024	10/20/2021	
ALABAMA	08/31/2024	02/25/2021	

Current NEMSCD Projects	
EMS ID Primary Identifyer	Project Approved, Scheduled Q4 2024
NREMT# / EMS ID#	Waiting approval, Anticipated Q4 2024
National Regisrty Data Tab	Waiting approval, Anticipated Q4 2024
Report Functionality	Waiting approval, Anticipated Q4 2024

State EMS Discipline Posting			
State EMS Office	Most Recent Discipline Created Date	Cases Created Last Four Months	Most Recent Discipline Update Date
GEORGIA	12/13/2023	0	10/13/2021
VIRGINIA		0	
WEST VIRGINIA		0	
MISSISSIPPI	04/17/2024	0	
TEXAS	08/09/2024	14	05/20/2024
WYOMING	06/20/2024	1	
ALABAMA		0	
DAHO	07/22/2024	1	12/14/2023
IOWA	08/20/2024	2	
LOUISIANA	08/30/2024	22	08/30/2024
COLORADO	05/29/2024	6	10/09/2023
KANSAS	06/07/2024	2	03/01/2024
MISSOURI	01/14/2022	0	
NEVADA		0	
UTAH	06/06/2024	34	06/06/2024
SOUTH CAROLINA	10/12/2022	0	

#### States Onboarding Last Meeting/Coordination

Tennessee	8/1/2024	TN Vendor to retry sending data to QA
North Dakota	6/26/2024	ND Vendor setting up to send initial data to QA
Delaware BLS	8/5/2024	Retrieving EMS ID in PROD.
Nebraska	5/16/2024	Sean sent NE IT Tm Production Credentials
Delaware ALS	5/14/2024	Pending EMS ID Primary Project
Pennsylvania	4/26/2024	Waiting Acadis; Presentation on 8/22
Indiana	4/25/2024	Waiting Acadis; Presentation on 8/23
South Dakota		Nothing to update.
Oklahoma		Nothing to update.



# **Briefing Memo**

Subject:Proposed Commission Meeting Dates for 2025Date:01 SEPT 2024To:Executive CommitteeFrom:Donnie Woodyard, Jr., Executive Director

After considering national holidays, federal EMS meetings, and known EMS stakeholder events requiring participation from Commissioners, the following dates are proposed for standing meetings of the Executive Committee and the Full Commission in calendar year 2025.

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Date	Time (ET)	Format
1/8/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
2/12/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
3/12/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
4/2/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
5/21/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
6/4/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
7/9/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
8/13/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
9/10/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
10/8/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual
11/5/2025	2PM – 3PM	Virtual
12/10/2025	3PM – 4PM	Virtual

## FULL COMMISSION

Date	Time (ET)	Format
Q1 – 2/192025	3PM – 5PM	Virtual
Q2 – 5/13/2025	3PM – 5PM	In Person, Grand Rapids, MI
Q3 – 8/20/2025	3PM – 5PM	Virtual
Q4 - 11/5/2025 (Elections)	3PM – 5PM	Virtual

### **CONFERENCES & MEETINGS**

Event	Dates
FDIC	April 7-11, 2025
NASEMSO	May 12-16, 2025
AAA	June 22-24, 2025
Pinnacle	July 14-18, 2025
Fire Rescue Int.	Aug 13-15, 2025
NAEMSE	Aug 4-9, 2025
EMS World	Oct 20-24, 2025
FICEMS / NEMSAC	Multiple
NREMT	Multiple



August 7, 2024

# Public Comment on Proposed Regulation by the U.S. Department of Education

# RE: Docket ED-2024-OPE-0050

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Licensure, the governmental body responsible for the interstate practice of emergency medical services in the United States, we are writing to express our concerns regarding the proposed regulation changes to distance education and the definition of clock hours, as outlined in Docket ED-2024-OPE-0050.

Nationally, EMS is currently grappling with significant recruitment and retention challenges, and these challenges have been amplified in the post-COVID era. EMS agencies nationwide are struggling to maintain adequate staffing levels, and now is not the time to impose regulations that could negatively impact access to EMS education.

As an industry, we have collaborated extensively with our educational partners to expand access to EMS education, particularly in rural, frontier, and underserved areas. One of the critical strategies we have successfully implemented is the judicious and careful use of asynchronous and hybrid courses for portions of EMS education, including paramedic education. This approach allows us to maximize in-person time for essential clinical elements while providing flexibility for theoretical components.

The proposed changes to eliminate asynchronous instruction for clock-hour programs could severely hinder our ability to deliver effective and accessible EMS education. This is especially true in regions where in-person attendance poses significant logistical challenges for students.

Therefore, we respectfully request a "public safety exemption" to the proposed clock-hour rule changes. Specifically, we urge the Department of Education to grant an exemption for EMS programs, as well as fire and law enforcement programs. This exemption would allow these critical public safety education programs to continue using asynchronous and hybrid instructional methods to ensure comprehensive and accessible training for future EMS personnel.

In summary, it is crucial to consider the unique needs and challenges of public safety and EMS education in the context of these regulatory changes. We believe that a public safety exemption will support the continued delivery of high-quality EMS education, ultimately benefiting the health and safety of communities nationwide.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Donnie Woodyard, Jr. Executive Director Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice

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