



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of Public Health
Bureau of Emergency Medical Services

Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission
7273 Florida Blvd
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Minutes
December 4, 2020

- 1) **Call to Order:** Vice-Chairman Ryan Brown, M.D. at 9:05 a.m.
- 2) **Roll Call**

Commissioner Name		Commissioner Name	
Christopher Mixon, Secretary	Present	Barbara Sellers	Virtual
Jeffrey Elder	Present	Dr. Lance Stuke	Absent
Ryan Brown	Present	Jeffrey Watson	Present
Tammy Gray	Present	Megan Marino	Virtual
Dr. Jeffrey Kuo	Virtual	Tracy Wold	Absent
Adam Oliver		Toby Henry	Present
		Quorum	Yes

Bureau of Emergency Medical Services Staff

Susan Bailey, Director	Present
Stacy Barbay, EMSCC Facilitator	Present
David McKay, Bureau of Legal Services, DHH Attorney	Present

- 3) **Approval of Minutes**
October 16, 2020 meeting minutes approved with reading waived. Motion made by Chris Mixon and 2nd by Jeff Watson. Motion carried unanimously.
- 4) **Formal Disciplinary Proceedings**

Name	Alleged Violation	Action
Curtis, Thomas	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §305 (A)(2) Has a pending criminal charge that involves any violence or danger to another person, or involves a crime which constitutes a threat to patient care LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(8) Is guilty of moral turpitude. R.S. 40:1133.7 (9) Unprofessional conduct. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or	Did not appear. Must appear before EMSCC before licensure. Motion carried

	incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause.	
Davis, Virginia	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(2) Is guilty of a felony or is convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability to practice EMS with due regard for health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding, including, but not limited to, expungement, non adjudication or pardon. R.S. 40: 1133.7 (13) Is guilty of moral turpitude. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart.	Allow to license without disciplinary action. Motion carried.
Desadier, David	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(2) Is guilty of a felony or is convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability to practice EMS with due regard for health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding, including, but not limited to, expungement, non adjudication or pardon. R.S. 40: 1133.7 (4) Is habitually intemperate in the use of or abuses alcohol or habit-forming drugs. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause.	Placed on probation for 1 cycle and attend an alcohol treatment program with quarterly reports uploaded to the IMS. (virtual attendance is permitted) Must be completed in 1 year. Failure to complete results in suspension of license. Add fine. \$50.00 Motion carried
Fiorella, Darryl	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(2) Is guilty of a felony or is convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability to practice EMS with due regard for health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding, including, but not limited to, expungement, non adjudication or pardon. R.S. 40: 1133.7. (4) Is habitually intemperate in the use of or abuses alcohol or habit-forming drugs. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart.	Allow to license without disciplinary action. Motion Carried

	R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause.	
Knight, Jared	R.S. 40:1133.7 (4) Is habitually intemperate in the use of or abuses alcohol or habit-forming drugs. LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(3)(c) Failure to utilize appropriate judgment. R.S. 40:1133.7 (15) Intentional falsification of any document related to license, emergency medical services education, or related to the care of the patient. R.S. 40:1133.7 (9) Unprofessional conduct. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause.	Allow to license without disciplinary action. Motion carried
McCord, Jacob	R.S. 40:1133.7. (2) Conviction of a crime or offense which reflects the inability of an emergency medical services practitioner to provide emergency medical services with due regard for the health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding, including but not limited to expungement or nonadjudication. R.S. 40: 1133.7. (13) Is guilty of moral turpitude. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart. R.S. 40: 1133.7. (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause	Must appear before the Commission before licensed Motion carried
Roy, Cory	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §303 (A)(2) Has pled guilty, nolo contendere, been convicted of, or committed a: "crime of violence" as defined in R.S.14:2(13), or any of the following crimes: first degree feticide; second degree feticide; aggravated assault with a firearm; stalking; false imprisonment; incest; aggravated incest; molestation of a juvenile; sexual battery of the infirm; or crime which involves felony drug charges. R.S. 40: 1133.7. (13) Is guilty of moral turpitude. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart.	Did not appear

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Salazar, Daniel	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §305 (A)(2) Has a pending criminal charge that involves any violence or danger to another person, or involves a crime which constitutes a threat to patient care. LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(8) Is guilty of moral turpitude. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause.	Did not appear
Smith, Grant	LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(2) Is guilty of a felony or is convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability to practice EMS with due regard for health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding, including, but not limited to, expungement, non adjudication or pardon. R.S. 40: 1133.7 (4) Is habitually intemperate in the use of or abuses alcohol or habit-forming drugs. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart.	Placed on probation for 1 cycle and attend an alcohol treatment program with quarterly reports uploaded to the IMS. (virtual attendance is permitted) Must be completed in 1 year. Failure to complete results in suspension of license. Add fine.\$50.00 Motion carried
Smith, Joshua	R.S. 40:1133.7 (12) Has had a certification or license to practice as an emergency medical services practitioner or to practice as another health care provider denied, revoked, suspended, or otherwise restricted. LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(3)(q) Use of or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or drugs which impair judgment while on duty. LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(3)(c) Failure to utilize appropriate judgment. R.S. 40:1133.7 (9) Unprofessional conduct. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause.	Did not appear

<p>Spinney, Jack</p>	<p>LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503 (D)(2) Is guilty of a felony or is convicted of a crime or offense which reflects the inability to practice EMS with due regard for health and safety of clients or patients or enters a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a criminal charge regardless of final disposition of the criminal proceeding, including, but not limited to, expungement, non adjudication or pardon. R.S. 40: 1133.7 (4) Is habitually intemperate in the use of or abuses alcohol or habit-forming drugs. R.S. 40:1133.7 (3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause. R.S. 40:1133.7 (14) Has violated any rules and regulations of the commission or the bureau or any provision of this subpart.</p>	<p>Placed on probation for 1 cycle and attend an alcohol treatment program with quarterly reports uploaded to the IMS. (virtual attendance is permitted)</p> <p>Must be completed in 1 year. Failure to complete results in suspension of license.</p> <p>Add fine.\$50.00</p> <p>Motion carried</p>
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5) Public Comment: None

6) Recurring Business

- a) EMS Practitioner Disciplinary Review of Decisions. Motion by Chris Mixon, seconded by Toby Henry, motion carried.
- b) Scope of Practice
 - i) EMR level use of Narcan. Motion by Chris Mixon, seconded by Adam Oliver, motion carried.
 - (1) Send emails to fire departments about EMS overdose protocol
 - ii) AEMT's Transporting Antibiotics Jeff Anderson addressed the Commission requesting to allow AEMT transport patients with antibiotic infusions. This is allowed. A change to the scope of practice will be made to clarify this treatment.
 - (1) Memo from Bureau of EMS outlining the AEMT Scope of Practice and what they can do with or without additional training.

7) Old Business

- a) Application Questionnaire
 - i) Remove detained
 - ii) Add indictments
 - iii) Change "will result" to "could result"
 - iv) Email all copies to the commissioners and review at next meeting
- b) Public Record Requests for EMS Practitioner Data
 - i) Still pending LDH general counsel opinion
- c) Substance Abuse Treatment Programs
 - i) Links from OBH were obtained and will be given to individuals who need it
 - ii) Personal solutions – Craig Kennedy
 - iii) DOT has a list of counselors – Chris Mixon – Substance Abuse Professional
 - iv) Workgroup Created:
 - (1) Chris Mixon
 - (2) Barbara Sellers
 - (3) Jeff Watson
 - v) Obtain a copy of LSBN and Med Examiners to see what their reporting requirements are regarding drugs and alcohol. Look for self-reporting and administration reporting.

8) New Business

- a) Senate Bill 13/Act No 31: Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (REPLICA) and Federal Criminal History Check

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- b) Commission Hearings For Expired and Non-Licensed Individuals
 - i) Anyone who has or did have a license can be heard by the Commission
- c) Driver to EMT Transition
 - i) Glide path for the individuals who are currently acting as a driver under the emergency proclamation
 - ii) This would require a proclamation from the governor at the request for the Commission
 - iii) One year from when the emergency is over to complete EMR
 - iv) Motion: Jeff Watson, second by Adam Oliver, motion carried.
- 9) **Next Meeting Date:** February 26, 2020
- 10) **Adjournment:** Motion carried unanimously to adjourn at 1:40 p.m.