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The Mobile Intensive Care Advisory Council (MAC)
MINUTES of December 8, 2025

Meeting Attendance						
MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE PROGRAM	MEDICAL DIRECTOR		DIRECTOR		EMS EDUCATOR	
Atlantic Ambulance	Dr. Albert Ritter	P			David Peterson	P
AtlantiCare Regional MC	Dr. Brett Greenfield	P	Stephen Napoli	P	Mark Jeffries	P
Capital Health	Dr. Andrea Marques-Baptista	A	Alexander Lewinsky	P	Keith Elmer	A
CentraState Healthcare System	Dr. Albert Ritter	P			David Peterson	P
Cooper EMS	Dr. Gerard Carroll - Chair	P	Rick Rohrbach	A	Ronald Murphy	A
Englewood Health	Dr. Barbara Schreiberman - Vice Chair	P	Richard Sposa	A	Michael Geisler	A
Hackensack Meridian HUMC	Dr. Shaun Patterson	P	Michelle Kobayashi	A	Alex Rosario	A
Holy Name EMS	Dr. Tae Keun Park	A	James Fox	A	Kevin Pohlman	P
Hunterdon Medical Center MICU	Dr. Michael Prendergast	A	Keith Shipley	A		
Inspira Health	Dr. Amy Ondeyka	P	Harry Shelton	A	Geoffrey Roberts	P
Jersey City MC/RWJBarnabas	Dr. Cheng Wang	P	Joshua Otero	A	Steven Cohen	P
Hackensack Meridian JFK UMC	Dr. Howard Felderman	P	Mark Bober	P	Richard Schlosser	A
RWJBarnabas Health	Dr. Joshua Bucher	P	Anthony Raffino	P	Neil Thorn	A
Saint Claire's Health System	Dr. Stephanie Ortega	A	John Cronin	P	Debra Paglianite	A
St. Joseph's Health	Dr. Kimberly Baldino	P	Dennis Castro	P	Kevin Webb	P
The Valley Hospital - MICU	Dr. Mark Dreier	P	Rebecca Basso	A	Matthew Bremy	P
University Hospital EMS	Dr. Timothy Satty	P	Jason Brady	A	Nicole Ferrarella	A
Virtua Health	Dr. Ronald Klebacher	P	Thomas Lavagna	P	Bruce Graham	P
Alternates						
MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE PROGRAM	NAME		POSITION			
AtlantiCare Medical Center	Dr. Michael Westrol		Associate Medical Director		P	
Cooper EMS	Dr. Lisa Drago		Associate Medical Director		P	
Cooper EMS	Dr. Alexander Kuc		Associate Medical Director		P	
Hackensack Meridian HUMC	Dr. William Haussner		Associate Medical Director		P	
Holy Name EMS	Dr. Christine DeFrano		Associate Medical Director		A	
Holy Name EMS	Dr. Ryan McCloskey		Associate Medical Director		A	
Inspira Health	Dr. Garrett Forosisky		Associate Medical Director		P	
RWJBarnabas Health	Dr. Navin Ariyaprakai		Associate Medical Director		A	

Alternates Cont.			
MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE PROGRAM	NAME	POSITION	
St. Joseph's Health	Robert Bertollo	EMS Educator	A
University Hospital EMS	Dr. Tung-Lin Yuan	Associate Medical Director	P
University Hospital EMS	Dr. Scott Pasichow	Associate Medical Director	A
The Valley Hospital	Ingrid Santucci	Director/EMS Educator	P
New Jersey Department of Health Present			
Candace Gardner		Kirsten Posselt	
Eric Hicken		Logan Rafferty	
Daniel Kazar		Timothy Seplaki	
Dr. John Porter		Nicholas Seran	
Public/Guest			
Name		Agency	
Elizabeth Blizzard		University Hospital	
Ben Dafilou		PANJEMS	
Greg Feloch		Cooper	
Nicole Ferrarella		University Hospital EMS	
Andrew Grandin		Christiana Care Life-Net	
Jaclyn Jordan		Cooper	
Nadav Korman		University Hospital EMS	
Jeffrey McBride		Hackensack Meridian JFK UMC	
Joanne Piccininni		Bergen Community College	
Justin Rodriguez		Inspira Health	
Matthew Streger		Keavney & Streger	
Brendan Stringfellow		Capital Health	

The Mobile Intensive Care Advisory Council convened on December 8, 2025, at the NJOHSP with a call to order at 10:00 AM by Dr. Gerard Carroll

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is a formal meeting of Mobile Intensive Care Advisory Council. Adequate notice of this meeting has been published in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, c-10:4.10 of the state of New Jersey entitled Open Public Meetings Act.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the September 2025 meeting were distributed to the members of the MAC via email prior to this meeting.

*Motion to approve the September 2025 minutes (Dr. Wang) Seconded (Dr. Schreibman)
Approved (Unanimous)*

Presentations

- Pulmonary Ultrasound for EMS – Dr. Jesse Yuan
- Olanzapine – Dr. William Haussner

COMMITTEE REPORTS

New Jersey EMS Advisory Council

None

New Jersey Association of Paramedic Programs (NJAPP) – Mr. Bober

- Clinical protocol quiz has been published and is being utilized by several MICU agencies
- Met with the whole blood administration sub-committee and offered recommendations and guidance to assist agencies with implementing whole blood administration protocols

Basic Life Support (BLS) Sub-Committee – Dr. Satty

- Concerns were raised regarding ALS intercept for BLS units authorized to perform advanced BLS interventions and diagnostics
 - The Committee recommends continued education at the agency level
- Glucometers at the BLS level were discussed and found to be less beneficial for patient outcomes than originally anticipated
- BLS 12-Lead acquisition was discussed and remains unfavorable and unsupported

Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Training Fund – Mr. Cohen

- No report, meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum

Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) – Dr. Drago

- Provided an update on continued development of pediatric protocols

Education Committee – Mr. Cohen

None

NJ Air Medical Program

None

New Jersey EMS Task Force (Task Force)

None

Trauma Council - Dr. Porter

- The State Performance Improvement Subcommittee has been established with a focus on long-term care facilities

OEMS Report – Ms. Gardner

- The National Conference on EMS celebrated its twentieth anniversary, while the EMS Awards Program marked its twenty-fifth anniversary
- Reminders regarding Blood Administration Waiver Authorization were provided
 - Agencies experiencing barriers are encouraged to contact OEMS for assistance
- The Department is preparing for the administration of the Rural Health Transformation Grant
- Mobile Integrated Health (MIH) regulations are pending final approval from the Governor's Office
- The Non-Emergent Transport EMR waiver will be extended until the promulgation of new regulations.
- Efforts are underway to consolidate Advisory Council Sub-Committees and align them with applicable statutes

Data – Mr. Seplaki

- NEMSIS 3.5.1 went into effect on January 1, 2026
- Overdose kits are available through the Department, and Naloxone is available through the Department of Human Services (DHS)
- Feedback on the National Conference on EMS is welcomed and can be submitted via email to ncems@doh.nj.gov

OEMS Education – Mr. Kazar

- Agencies are reminded to have ambulances prepared for cold and adverse weather conditions
- The New Jersey EMS Provider Licensing Platform continues to be updated
- Several new EMT Initial Education Programs are in the review process with hopes to have several additions by end of year

New Business

- Discussed
 - Protocol for traumatic cardiac arrest
 - Usage of pelvic binders for bleeding control

- Fluid administration practices in trauma patients
- Continuous and ongoing competency and continuing education as the scope of practice expands
- Concerns regarding paramedic students utilizing new protocols without Medical Command contact were addressed, as they relate to regulatory and accreditation requirements
- The approval process for expansion of the scope of practice was clarified
- Dr. Carroll made recommendations to establish a structured, recurring cycle for review and approval of protocols and scope of practice.

Old Business

None

Election of Officers

- 2025 slate of executive officers presented to membership for ratification by the members (Mr. Kazar)
 - Chair – Dr. Gerald Carroll
 - Vice Chair – Dr. Barbara Schreiberman
 - MICU Program Director – Thomas Lavagna
 - MICU EMS Educator – Steven Cohen
- *Motion to accept slate of officers (Mr. Bober). Seconded (Dr. Satty). Approved (Unanimous)*

Public Comment

None

Meeting Schedule

- March 9, 2026, at 10:00 AM location, NJ OHSP

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting (Mr. Lavagna). Seconded (Dr. Satty). Approved (Unanimous)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 P.M.