

**Berks DES EMS Working Group  
October 6, 2015  
General Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order:** Tim Moyer: 10:01

**In Attendance:**

Name	Representative(s)
Bally	
Bethel	Anthony Martin
Blandon	
Boyertown	Dave Babb
Counter Terrorism	Jim Bitler
DES	Todd Boughter, Jonathan Fritz, Brian Gottschall, Kevin Neiswander, Christina Wood
Elverson	
EMS Council	Josh Kulp, William Lillington
Exeter EMS	
Exeter Fire	Chris Chamberlain
Fleetwood	
Hamburg	William Lillington
Kutztown	Phil Salamone
Lower Alsace	Matt Stairiker
LVH Medevac	
Muhlenberg	
Oley	
PennStar	
PennState - LifeLion	Scott Buchle, John Shook
PennState - Saint Joes	Chris Chamberlain
Reading Fire Department	
Reading Health System	Anthony Martin
RHS School of Health Sciences	Merv Wertz
Schuylkill Valley	Tim Moyer
Southern Berks	Malcolm Cole, Mike Palamar, Dave Shaffer
Topton Ambulance	
Western Berks	Ed Moreland, Tony Tucci

**Prev. Minutes:** Motion to Approve as amended:  
Seconded:

Chris Chamberlain  
Matt Stairiker

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Motion Vote:

Approved

#### DES Report

- **Kevin Neiswender**

- Discussion was made regarding call-taker questions and changes to caller medical questions that are being asked
  - Asking of weight – Will be performed – No opinion from the group
  - Asking Past Medical History –
    - Motion to remove question “Does the patient have any past medical history we should know about.”
      - Motion by Matt Stairiker to remove question
      - Seconded by Phil Salamone
      - Yea’s – 7
      - Nay’s – 2
      - Abstentions – 0
  - What is the patient’s hospital destination?
    - Motion for DES to continue to attempt to obtain the hospital destination
      - Motion by Phil Salamone to keep asking hospital destination
      - Seconded by Chris Chamberlain
      - Yea’s - 7
      - Nay’s - 2
      - Abstentions - 0

- **Brian Gottschall**

- Berks EMS System Response Plan – Draft Agreement
  - Designed to bring system improvement
  - EMS agreement is not required for licensure
  - Requests for revision
    - Definition of Terms
    - Wording Changes, final draft to be emailed to all EMS agencies prior to working group approval

#### Regional counterterrorism – Jim Bitler/Anthony Tucci

- Trying to complete HAM radio project, working on training and exercise program to complete needs that the group currently still has.

#### Eastern PA EMS Council – William Lillington

- Protocol mandates should be completed by all providers by this time
- Anyone in Berks that hasn’t received EMSOF child restraint seats should contact EMS council

#### Reading Health System – Anthony Martin

- Dinner and Learn for this month is canceled
- Dates and times for free flu shots at Emergency Department is TBA and forthcoming.

