



## Mobile Integrated Healthcare Advisory Committee

A subcommittee of the Indiana EMS Commission

Date: December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Time: 10:00 a.m. EST

Location: MADE Facility

1610 Reeves Rd

Plainfield, IN 46168

As well as via Microsoft Teams online

**Members present:** Director Kraig Kinney, Joe Harding, and Andy VanZee.

**Members present via teams (virtual):** Dr. Jan Kornilow, Samantha Swearingen (Proxy for Paul Miller), Chad Owen, Dr. Ty Sullivan, Keith Mason, and Jarrod Sights.

**Others Present:** Robin Stump, Emily Castor, other staff members, and EMS Community members.

**Absent Members:** Dr. Eric Yazel, Laura Schwab-Reese, Shane Hardwick, Nate Metz, and Lindsey Weaver.

### Roll Call

Director Kinney welcomed everyone, and Emily Castor called roll and quorum was determined.

### Adoption of Minutes

Director Kinney asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**A motion was made by Joe Harding to approve minutes from the October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, meeting. The motion was seconded by Andy VanZee. Roll call vote taken:**

**Director Kinney: Yes Dr. Jan Kornilow: Yes  
Samantha Swearingen: Yes Joe Harding: Yes Chad Owen: Yes  
Dr. Ty Sullivan: Yes Keith Mason: Abstain Andy VanZee: Yes  
Jarrod Sights: Yes**

**The motion passed and previous minutes were approved.**

## MEMBERSHIP

Dr. Eric Yazel, State EMS  
Medical Director

Kraig Kinney, State EMS  
Director

Dr. Jan Kornilow, EMS Medical  
Director Representative

Chief Paul Miller, MIH-CP  
Program Director

Joe Harding, Municipal MIH-CP  
Program

Chad Owen, Non-municipal  
MIH-CP Program

Laura Schwab-Reese, PhD  
College/University

Shane Hardwick, MIH-CP  
Provider

Dr. Ty Sullivan, FSSA  
Representative

Keith Mason, Insurance  
Industry Representative

Dr. Lindsay Weaver, Indiana  
State Department of Health  
Representative

Andy VanZee, Indiana Hospital  
Association Representative

Nate Metz, Indiana Emergency  
Medical Services Association

Jarrod Sights, Indiana Fire  
Chiefs Association

## **Reports**

Director Kinney welcomed all to the meeting and stated that it has been a busy time for MIH within Indiana. Director Kenny states that he was recently able to visit the Bloomington Fire Department and tour their facility. He also Reported having a meeting with Indiana AARP, and while doing the article with AARP it was noted that several other MIH organizations were interviewed as well. Director Kinney stated that the ultimate goal of this follow up, was to discuss advancing, mobile integrated health within the state of Indiana. Director Kenny Stated that a goal for Emily Castor in 2023 was to begin hosting quarterly MIH meetings, with the intent that they would be less formal and leave more room for open discussion. The most Recent meeting was held on November 14, 2023, and Director Kenny reported approximately 19 participants with lots of good discussion. The next quarterly meeting will be held on January 23, 2024, at 2 PM. These meetings are held via teams and if you are interested in attending, please contact Emily Castor for more information. Director Kinney reported that the sustainability and individual credentials sub committees have also had multiple meetings. There have been several productive meetings in which they hope to produce work product to present in the near future.

The Medical Director's report was given by Emily Castor in Dr. Yazel's absence. Miss Castor stated Dr. Yazel has been meeting with FSSA regarding MIH reimbursement. He also Reported an upcoming meeting with CareSource Medicaid as they are getting involved with the Clark County programs in which he participates.

## **Program Overview**

Shelby VanDerMoere gave a presentation on the Bloomington Fire Department Mobile Integrated Health program. Mrs. VanDerMoere Started by introducing her team, which consists of four Community EMTs, including herself. She then Reported that their program began in October 2022 where she was named community care coordinator, and their main goal was to relieve some of the burden off of the sworn firefighter and to provide gap care to patients. Their program has four focus areas: falls/lift assist, Mental health/substance-abuse, healthy, living, and maternal/infant health. The motto of the team is to improve quality of life for the patient by 1%. Mrs. VanDerMoere stated that their falls/lift assist section assess fall risks and determine cause of the fall, they then will create fall prevention, plans, and turn. This will relieve fall anxiety for patients in the future. She stated the Mental health/substance use section are typically medical call referrals, they do partner with Bloomington Police Department Social Workers, as well as assist the Mobile Crisis Team (988) in the overall health assessment. The third section, healthy living, focuses on chronic disease, management, prevent hospital, readmissions, elderly management, and focuses on making families healthy. The final section is maternal/infant health, in which they partner with the Fetal & Infant Mortality Review Team, The family, vitality initiative, and the local emergency departments. The main goal of this section is to prevent maternal and infant Mortality but Mrs. VanDerMoere states that this program will develop further over the next two years. She then was able to present on a few of their program "wins"/patient success stories.

## **New Business**

Emily Castor reviewed the applications and the information that is being collected then reviewed the reason for the application process. Emily gave an overview of the pending applications: Deaconess EMS, Franciscan Health Crown Point EMS, and Gas City Fire Rescue.

**A motion was made by Dr. Jan Kornilow to recommend approval of all programs to the EMS Commission. The motion was seconded by Andy VanZee. Roll call vote taken:**

**The motion passed.**

**Director Kinney: Yes Dr. Jan Kornilow: Yes Samantha Swearingen: Yes Joe Harding: Yes  
Chad Owen: Yes Dr. Ty Sullivan: Yes Keith Mason: Yes Andy VanZee: Yes Jarrod Sights: Yes**

Director Kinney opened discussion on the possibility of hosting a Mobile Integrated Health Conference or making a pre-conference session for one of the bigger organizational conferences, such as IERC or IEMSA/ENA. There was a lot of discussion among the group, but the consensus was in favor to move forward with this idea, Director Kinney stated that the office staff will review this topic and discuss, and this will also be brought up at the new MIH meeting.

Emily Castor reported on the Sustainability Subcommittee in place as chairperson Nate Metz. Miss Castor stated that there was no official work product to present at this time, but the group is continuing to discuss the possible billing codes and how to get reimbursement for MIH services provided to patients. Miss Castor also stated that moving forward, the plan of Subcommittees meetings in 2024, is to meet with each subcommittee once monthly in hopes to produce more solutions and work product to advance MIH within the state of Indiana. She stated further that if others were interested in joining these meetings to contact her for further details.

### **Old Business**

Director Kinney stated that the agency is continuing to work with the IT department on the MIH Data collection project. Emily Castor and Dr. Eric Yazel are working on this project with IT and Ken Foster, Fire and EMS Data Manager, to provide a worksheet that providers will fill out and submit back to the state. Director Kinney states that this is in hopes to bring physical operating statistics to the next Legislative Budget hearing in 2025 in hopes to continue the growth of MIH. Director Kinney and Miss Castor will continue to update the committee on the progress of this project.

Next Mobile Integrated Health Committee meeting will be **February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024**, at 10am. Location will be at MADE.

Director Kinney adjourned the meeting by consensus.

These minutes were reviewed and approved by the Mobile Integrated Health Committee at their 2/9/2024 meeting.