



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Emergency Medical Services - Medical Advisory Subcommittee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, January 12, 2026

12:00 PM

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Fitchburg, WI 53719 or by Zoom

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A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:03pm.

- Present** 12 - STEPHANIE LEHMANN, MEL PEARLMAN, LISA SCHIMELPFENIG, TINA STRANDLIE, DAN WILLIAMS, MEGAN GUSSICK, ERIC LANG, JEFF VAN BENDEGOM, BRANDON RYAN, DANIEL SEFCIK, STEVE DIEBOLD, and NICK WLEKLINSKI
- Absent** 11 - KRISTEN DRAGER, PAUL HICK, KACEY KRONENFELD, MIKE LOHMEIER, MIKE MANCERA, DAVID PENA, MICHAEL MACKESEY, TOM PASCH, FRANK LOYO, MIKE SPIGNER, and KELLY PEDERSON

Additional Members Present: Ken Van Horn

Guests: Cassie Nankee, Robert Hughes, Sandy Vergenz, Anthony Disalvo, Michael Reilly, Chris Carbon, Nicole Foytik, Sally Kalscheur, Melanie, McCauley, Jackie Bleifuss, Stacey Woodman, Holly Ellickson, Chris Hammes, Christopher Baggott, Patrick Anderson, Chris Backes, Chris Dennis, Jennifer Sellek, Kris O'Dell

Staff: Eric Anderson, Zander Johnston, Kailey Peterson, Courtney Morency

B. Consideration of Minutes

MEDICAL ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE NOVEMBER 2025 MINUTES

Attachments: [November Minutes](#)

The minutes were approved.

C. Discussion Items

EMS Protocols

Med Advisors discussed differences between the two sets of protocols. Biggest difference will be TXA dosing. MEP changed to 2g and UW is staying with 1g. Will be sure to hammer training on this. Minor dosing differences that would not warrant concern about provider care will be taken back by Medical Advisor to their respective group to discuss and understand change. Can compile a list of the differences for everyone to review and have an understanding prior to implementation.

LVO Screening

Discussions have been had over past couple years about IVO screening. EMS protocols have had the FAST-ED tool in them since last iteration was implemented. Plan was to implement the destination determination for LVOs following screening in the field. Goal is to keep tabs on how it may affect the system and make changes to adapt as appropriate. Concern that bypassing one hospital for another with higher capabilities may overload one system. Hospitals will keep an open channel of communication to monitor volume. UW met to discuss data points to track, and are planning to have scheduled meeting in future to see how change is impacting their patient care. Follow up meeting with stroke coordinators should be coming shortly. LVO is believed to be best practice based on recommendations from nationally recognized medical organizations. "Over triage costs money, under triage costs lives". Will keep all partners updated on how program is going.

Good Samaritan Policy

The Good Samaritan Coalition is a group working to update these laws. They are looking to find groups in the state that would also support this change. The law currently has loopholes that the Coalition is hoping to change. Would like to give the person calling 911 more protection. People who are calling for an overdose should be able to call 911 without worrying about legal prosecution. Hope is to strengthen rights of both the aider and the survivor. If the Medical Advisory Subcommittee is in support, will discuss at next meeting and have an official vote. Meier to also take this topic to Police Chief's Association.

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

Public Health - Respiratory illness has been increasing, flu is continuing to spread affecting mostly kids <17; currently the most hospitalizations in Dane County in a while. Starting to see an increase in RSV, but significantly lower than last year. Seen a Covid spike in wastewater and can anticipate an increase in hospitalizations in the next couple weeks.

Meriter - Sefcik submitted for Ferno Kangoofix to get all agencies at least one device.

DCEMS - Anderson has preliminary data for cardiac arrests in 2025. Will have full report with trends by next month. Can have some discussions on technology use and post-ROSC care. Peterson in discussions with partners for potential locations to place two additional harm reduction vending machines in the county.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:52pm.

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Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Morency.