



Emergency Medical Services Council



HENNEPIN COUNTY EMS COUNCIL MEETING

October 1, 2026 – 3:00-4:00 p.m.

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Mission

We represent a system of pre-hospital care, striving to improve all aspects of the patient experience, by the collaborative development, use, and promotion of best practices.

Service

People serving on the EMS Council, committees, and work groups shall:

- Bring their own training, experience, and professional codes to EMS Council deliberations.
- Know and express the values and interests of their affiliated organizations.
- Serve the best interests of patients.

AGENDA

Welcome and introductions – Susan Long, Chair, EMS Council

- 1 **Action:** Approval of today's agenda
- 2 **Action:** Approval of April 2, 2026 meeting summary
- 3 **Action:** EMS Council and Committee nominations and proxies for today's meeting

EMS Council

- Charles Lick, MD for vacant EMS Medical Director rep at Allina Health EMS; Admin. rep. is vacant
- Mike Perlmutter, MD to replace Scott Joing, MD as primary rep. for Ridgeview Hospital; Admin. rep is vacant

EMS Medical Director Committee and Medical Care and Standards Committee

- Charles Lick, MD for vacant EMS Medical Director rep at Allina Health EMS

Operations and Communications Committee

- Brent Custard to replace Tony Ebensteiner as the North Memorial Health Ambulance data quality rep.

- 4 **Presentation** - Metro Out-of-Hospital Blood Administration Task Force – Jon Pritchard, Fire Chief, Cottage Grove Fire
- 5 **New Business**
 - a. **Action:** Updated EMS Council Communications Plan

- b. **Action:** 2027 Work Plan
- c. **Action:** 2027 Meeting Calendar

6 **Old Business** -None

7 **Standing Committees** - Reports

- a. EMS Medical Directors Committee Report – Pete Tanghe, MD
- b. Operations and Communications Committee Report–Tony Martin
- c. Quality Standards Committee Report – Mike Morelock
- d. Medical Standards Committee Report – no report
- e. Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee – no report
- f. Executive Committee Report – Susan Long, Chair of the EMS Council

8 **Staff Report** – Kristin Mellstrom

- a. EMS Council online orientation session will be scheduled if new members are nominated or an orientation is requested

9 **EMS Council Member Reports**

10 **EMS Partner Agency Reports**

11 **Interested Parties Reports**

12 Next EMS Council meeting: Thursday, April 1, 2027 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. online or hybrid (TBD)

13 **Action: Adjourn**

2027 Meeting Calendar

Meetings are held online; meeting schedules or location are posted on the [EMS Council website](https://www.chd.ems@hennepin.us) or email chd.ems@hennepin.us for meeting details. Meeting dates and times change, so please email for confirmation of the meeting if you do not receive a calendar invitation and plan to attend.

- **EMS Council** 3:00-4:00pm, 1st Thursday of April and Oct.
- **Executive Committee** 1:00-2:00pm, 2nd Monday of March-June-Sept.-Dec.
- **EMS Medical Directors** 9:30-10:30am, 4th Friday of each month
- **Operations and Communications Committee** 9:30-10:30am, 2nd Tuesday of Jan.-April-July-Oct.
- **Quality Standards Committee** 1:30-3:00pm, 1st Tuesday of Feb.-May-Aug.-Nov.
- **Medical Standards Committee** 10:30-11:30pm after the EMS Medical Directors mtg in March-June-Sept.-Dec.; meetings are held as needed
- **Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee** – Meetings TBD, when a minimum for a quorum is nominated and can be assembled