



Emergency Medical Services Council



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Executive Committee
Monday Sept. 14, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
online

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Draft Summary

Present	Absent
Susan Long, NRP, EMS Council Chair Tony Martin, Operations Committee Chair Peter Tanghe, MD, EMS Council Vice Chair and EMS Medical Directors Committee Chair Nick Simpson, MD, Medical Standards Committee Chair	Mike Morelock, Quality Standards Committee Chair
Guests	Staff
	Kristin Mellstrom, Hennepin County Public Health

- The meeting was called to order by EMS Council Chair Susan Long at 1:00 p.m., with a quorum assembled.
- The March 9, 2026 meeting summary and today's agenda were approved.

3. **Nominations Approved, moved to the EMS Council agenda**

- a. Charles Lick, MD for vacant EMS Medical Director rep at Allina Health EMS on EMS Council and EMS Medical Directors Committee
- b. Allina Health EMS rep on Operations Committee and one Admin. rep on the EMS Council are vacant
- c. Hennepin Health HCMC primary rep. on the EMS Council is vacant; alt. rep is Gregg Jones, MD
- d. Mike Perlmutter, MD to replace Scott Joing, MD for Ridgeview Hospital (reg.) on the EMS Council; alt. rep. is vacant
- e. Brent Custard to replace Tony Ebensteiner as data quality rep. for North Memorial Health Ambulance on the Quality Standards Committee

4. **New Business**

- A. EMS Council Agenda for 10-1-2026 approved moved forward
 - 1. Jon Pritchard, Chief at Cottage Grove Fire EMS and Chair of the MESB EMS Technical Operations Committee's Metro Out of Hospital Blood Administration Task Force. Chief Pritchard will provide an overview of the work to date and the operations of metro EMS Providers that currently administer blood pre-hospital.
 - 2. Request from Staff for members to bring ideas to the Exec Committee in Dec.- for a presentation at the April 2027 EMS Council meeting.
- B. Draft 2027 EMS Council and Committees Work Plan moved to EMS Council agenda
- C. 2027 EMS Council and Committees Meeting Calendar moved to EMS Council agenda

5. **Old Business**

- A. EMS Council Updates/Newsletter/Report – Tabled

6. **Standing Item – Committee Updates**

Ambulance Medical Directors Subcommittee Report – Peter Tanghe, MD
Medical Standards Committee Report – Nick Simpson, MD
Operations Committee Report–Tony Martin
Quality Committee Report – Mike Morelock
Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee – Vacant
Executive Committee Report – Susan Long

Discussion of completed, ongoing, and new work was covered in the revisions to the EMS Council Work Plan. See 2026 and draft 2027 work plans for details.

Staff Report – Kristin Mellstrom

Currently, there are no nominations for members who are new to the EMS Council. If new members are nominated or existing members would like an orientation to be scheduled, please let Staff know.

7. **EMS Council and Committees Standing Meetings**

Exec. Committee meetings - online

Second Mondays 1:00-2:00p.m. in March, June, Sept. and Dec.

EMS Council meetings - online

First Thursday 3:00-4:00 p.m. in April and October

8. **Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.