



## **Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.**

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### ***RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL STANDING COMMITTEES TO ASSIST THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PENINSULAS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL, INC. CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION***

*WHEREAS, The Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc. is incorporated by the Commonwealth of Virginia and designated as a 501 (c) (3) under the Internal Revenue Code with the primary mission to assist local emergency medical services components and to access, identify, coordinate, plan and implement an efficient and effective regional emergency medical services delivery system in partnership with the Virginia Office of EMS and the Virginia EMS Advisory Board; and*

*WHEREAS, the Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc is governed by its Articles of Incorporation, by Bylaws, and by the Corporation's Policies and Procedures; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Corporation identify the Executive Committee, the Medical Advisory Committee, the Peninsulas Interfacility Cooperation Organization, and the EMS Operations Committee as standing committees of the Council; and*

*WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Corporation directs other committees required by the Corporation to carry out its purposes be established by resolution of the Board of Directors; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Consolidated Test Site (CTS) Committee, consisting of a minimum of ten members including an active Registrar, an active CTS Coordinator, an active CTS Table Manager, an active CTS Logistics Coordinator, an active CTS Moulage Technician, three active CTS Evaluators, an active CTS EMT Assistant, and two active Virginia certified EMS Education Coordinators who teach EMT courses in the region served by the Corporation, to coordinate, schedule and deliver the Consolidated Testing process as defined by the Virginia Office of EMS in the region served by the Corporation; and*

*WHEREAS, a Consolidated Test Site Committee shall have the goals to ensure a fair and equitable Consolidated Testing experience for all candidates, and to promote communications and cooperation among the members of the EMS community and with system partners within the region served by the Corporation to improve the testing process for candidates and instructors; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Hampton Roads Metropolitan Medical Response System*

<p><i>In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act ("ADA"). Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council (PEMS), Inc is committed ensuring that individuals with disabilities are not denied an opportunity to participate in and benefit from any service, program, or activity, offered by the PEMS Council. Persons with disabilities who anticipate needing special accommodations or who have questions about physical access may call (804) 693-6234 in advance of the program.</i></p>
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*(HRMMRS), Peninsulas EMS Council (PEMS) and Tidewater EMS Council (TEMS) Mass Casualty Incident Committee, consisting of one appointed EMS representative from four urban jurisdictions, two rural jurisdictions, and one commercial EMS service appointed by and representing the Peninsulas EMS Council; and, one EMS representative from four urban jurisdictions, two rural jurisdictions, and one commercial EMS service appointed by and representing the Tidewater EMS Council to develop, review and maintain a Mass Casualty Incident Management Plan and Appendices to coordinate and support a multi-regional mass casualty incident management system.*

*WHEREAS, a HRMMRS/PEMS/TEMS Mass Casualty Incident Committee shall have the responsibility to liaison with other disaster agencies, organizations and facilities which presently exist or which may be developed over time in the region served by the Hampton Roads Metropolitan Medical Response System, the Corporation and the Tidewater EMS Council, Inc.; and to develop plans and tools which may be used to obtain optimum patient care outcomes during Mass Casualty and Mass Gathering events located in the region served by the Hampton Roads Metropolitan Medical Response System, the Corporation and the Tidewater Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Performance Improvement Committee, consisting of a minimum of ten members, including an Operational Medical Director approved by the Virginia Office of EMS, a hospital representative currently employed by a hospital in the region served by the Corporation that can act on behalf of the facility and functions in a capacity that relates to the EMS system, a Helicopter EMS representative who is currently active with a Virginia-licensed air medical agency in the region served by the Corporation, a fire based EMS representative who is currently active with a Virginia-licensed fire based EMS agency in the region served by the Corporation, a career EMS representative who is currently active as a paid member of a Virginia licensed EMS agency in the region served by the Corporation and not affiliated with a fire based or air medical agency and not an OMD, and a volunteer EMS representative who is currently active with a Virginia licensed volunteer EMS agency in the region served by the Corporation and not affiliated with a fire based or air medical agency and not an OMD; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of Performance Improvement Committee shall be to oversee the Medical Incident Review process, collect patient care statistics to evaluate system effectiveness and identify trends, to provide constructive feedback on performance improvement efforts to all EMS professionals within the region served by the Corporation; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Pharmacy Committee, consisting of a licensed Pharmacist representing each of the hospital pharmacies in the region served by the Corporation, one representative of the Peninsulas Interfacility Cooperation Organization, one representative of the EMS Operations Committee to provide coordination for the exchange of medications within the region served by the Corporation for the treatment of specific patient conditions in the prehospital and Interfacility EMS setting; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of a Pharmacy Committee shall be to maintain the medication box system for the region served by the Corporation and to ensure that prehospital providers have access to the most appropriate medications to treat their patients; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Protocols, Policies and Procedures Committee, consisting of two Helicopter EMS representatives, two Hospital representatives, two EMS providers and two EMS administrators representing licensed EMS agencies located on the Virginia Peninsula (Cities of Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, and Williamsburg, and the Counties of James City and York), one EMS provider and one EMS administrator representing licensed EMS agencies located on the Middle Peninsula (Counties of Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews and Middlesex), one EMS provider and one EMS administrator representing the licensed EMS agencies of the Northern Neck Peninsula (Counties of Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond and Westmoreland), one College EMS Education Program representative, one Pharmacist, one Operational Medical Director, and two members chosen at-large by the committee to provide current, well-researched and accepted standards of care with the ultimate goal of minimizing the morbidity and mortality of our patients and to provide guidelines for the treatment of specific patient conditions in the prehospital and Interfacility EMS setting; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of a Protocols, Policies and Procedures Committee shall be to provide recommendations to the Medical Advisory Committee for the minimum standards of appropriate prehospital and Interfacility EMS care in the region served by the Corporation with regard to prehospital and Interfacility EMS; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant Review Committee, consisting of two representatives from licensed EMS agencies located on the Virginia Peninsula (Cities of Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, and Williamsburg, and the Counties of James City and York), two representatives from licensed EMS agencies located on the Middle Peninsula (Counties of Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews and Middlesex), two representative from licensed EMS agencies of the Northern Neck Peninsula (Counties of Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond and Westmoreland), and the Corporation Treasurer who will serve as the Chair; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant Review Committee shall be to act as a grant preparation resource for licensed EMS agencies and other organizations applying for Rescue Squad Assistance Funds and to review, grade, prioritize and clarify all grant applications submitted by licensed EMS agencies and other organizations located in the region served by the Corporation to the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant Program; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction Committee, consisting of two helicopter EMS representatives, four Peninsula hospital representatives, one Northern Neck hospital representative, two Middle Peninsula hospital representatives, three catchment hospital representatives, two active career EMS provider representatives, two active volunteer EMS provider representatives, two EMS outreach program representatives, one Virginia Heart Attack Coalition representative, one active interventional cardiologist, one active*

*Operational Medical Director and one Advanced Resuscitation Therapeutic and Intensive Care Center representative; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of the ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction Committee shall be to improve the outcomes of patients suffering cardiac events through coordination between hospitals and emergency medical services, by implementing guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association, improving treatment protocols, developing and implementing treatment checklists, and ensuring the region served by the Corporation has access to the most current medical science involving prehospital stabilization and treatment of cardiac patients; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Stroke Committee, consisting of two helicopter EMS representatives, one representative from each of the Virginia-designated Stroke Centers located in the region served by the Corporation, representatives from Virginia-designated Stroke Centers receiving patients from but not located in the region served by the Corporation, two representatives from hospitals located within the region served by the Corporation that are not designated Stroke Centers, two active career EMS provider representatives, two active volunteer EMS provider representatives, two EMS outreach program representatives, one active interventional neurologist, and one active Operational Medical Director; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of the Stroke Committee shall be to improve the outcomes of patients suffering brain attacks through coordination between hospital and emergency medical services, by implementing guidelines set forth by the Virginia Department of Health and American Heart Association, improving treatment protocols, developing and implementing treatment checklists, and ensuring the region served by the Corporation has access to the most current medical science involving prehospital stabilization and treatment of stroke patients; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Trauma Committee, consisting of two helicopter EMS representatives, one representative from each of the Virginia-designated Trauma Centers located in the region served by the Corporation, representatives from Virginia-designated Trauma Centers receiving patients from but not located in the region served by the Corporation, two representatives from hospitals located within the region served by the Corporation that are not designated Trauma Centers, two active career EMS provider representatives, two active volunteer EMS provider representatives, two EMS outreach program representatives, one active trauma surgeon, and one active Operational Medical Director; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of the Trauma Committee shall be to improve patient outcomes following traumatic injuries through coordination between hospital and emergency medical services, by implementing guidelines set forth by the Virginia Department of Health and American College of Surgeons, improving treatment protocols, developing and implementing transport decision matrixes, and ensuring the region served by the Corporation has access to the most current medical science involving prehospital stabilization and treatment of trauma patients; and*

*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Behavioral Health Committee, consisting of a representative of each Community Services Board located in the region served by the Corporation, one magistrate, one representative from each hospital system located in the region*

*served by the Corporation, one representative of each Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Center located in the region served by the Corporation, one representative from Riverside Behavioral Health and one representative from Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters' Mental Health Program, two law enforcement officers from agencies located in the region served by the Corporation, two EMS agency representatives from the Peninsula, one EMS agency representative from the Middle Peninsula, one EMS agency representative from the Northern Neck Peninsula, two mental health clinicians (if not otherwise represented on the Committee), one Operational Medical Director and two representatives at-large located in the region served by the Corporation; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of the Behavioral Health Committee shall be to improve patient outcomes following acute behavioral health emergencies through coordination between EMS agencies, public safety officials, community services boards, behavioral health clinicians and facilities, crisis intervention teams, and hospitals involved in the care of individuals with acute behavioral health illnesses; and by developing evidence-based best practices, protocols and procedures for EMS behavioral health assessment, de-escalation, triage, transport decisions, acute crisis-care management and intake; and*

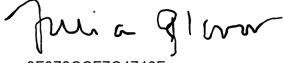
*WHEREAS, the Corporation requires a Pediatric Care Committee, consisting of a representative of at least one helicopter EMS agency, representatives from general and children's hospitals served by the Corporation, two pediatric emergency physicians or pediatric emergency medicine fellows, two active EMS provider representatives, and one active Operational Medical Director; and*

*WHEREAS, the goals of the Pediatric Care Committee shall be to improve the outcome of prehospital pediatric care in the PEMS Region through coordination between hospitals and emergency medical services, by implementing guidelines set forth by the American Heart Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics, improving treatment protocols, and ensuring the region served by the Corporation has access to the most current medical science involving prehospital treatment of pediatric patients.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc. this Seventeenth day of February, 2021 that a Consolidated Test Site Committee, a HRMMRS/PEMS/TEMS Mass Casualty Incident Committee, a Performance Improvement Committee, a Pharmacy Committee, a Protocols, Policies and Procedures Committee, a Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant Review Committee, a ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction Committee, a Stroke Committee, a Trauma Committee, a Behavioral Health Committee, and a Pediatric Care Committee be and hereby are established as standing committees to assist the Corporation fulfill its stated mission; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Consolidated Test Site Committee, the HRMMRS/PEMS/TEMS Mass Casualty Incident Committee,, the Performance Improvement Committee, the Pharmacy Committee, the Protocols, Policies and Procedures Committee, the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund Grant Review Committee, the ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction Committee, the Stroke Committee, the Trauma Committee, the Behavioral Health*

*Committee, and the Pediatric Care Committee shall be constituted as directed in this resolution, and function under the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and Policies and Procedures as any other Standing Committee of the Corporation.*

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*Julia B. Glover, President  
Peninsulas EMS Council, Inc. Board of Directors*

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