

**Executive Committee Agenda**

Location: Virtual Attendance Only

Date: September 4, 2024

Time: 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)

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  - a. Roll Call - *Commissioner House, Secretary*
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    - iii. ( ) Commissioner Joe House [KS], Secretary
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    - v. ( ) Commissioner Aaron Koehler [WY], Member-at-Large
    - vi. ( ) Commissioner Joe Schmider [TX], Immediate Past Chair
- II. Public Comment
  - a. Matters Not on the Agenda - *Kinney*
- III. Old Business
- IV. Reports
  - a. Treasurer's Report- *Vande Lune*
  - b. Review August 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary
  - c. Chair's Report – *Kinney*
  - d. Bylaws & Rules Committee Report – *Schmider*
  - e. Workgroup Updates
  - f. Executive Director's Report – *Donnie Woodyard, Executive Director*
  - g. National EMS Coordinated Database Administrator Update – NREMT
- V. New Business
  - a. Discuss & Approve 2025 Meeting Dates
- VI. Partner Organization Updates
- VII. Adjourn Meeting

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
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## Executive Committee: August 2024 Meeting Summary

### Meeting Details:

- **Chairperson:** Commissioner Kraig Kinney
- **Date & Time:** August 7, 2024, 3:00 PM ET
- **Location:** Virtual Meeting via Zoom Conference

### Attendees:

- Commissioner Kraig Kinney [IN] Chair
- Commissioner Wayne Denny [ID] Vice Chair
- Commissioner Aaron Koehler [WY] Member-at-Large
- Doug Wolfberg JD PWW / Counsel
- Christie Mellott JD PWW / Counsel

### Absent, Excused

- Commissioner Joe House [KS] Secretary
- Commissioner Brad Vande Lune [IA] Treasurer
- Commissioner Joe Schmider [TX] Immediate Past Chair
- Donnie Woodyard, Executive Director

### Agenda & Discussions:

#### I. Call to Order & Welcome

- Commissioner Kinney declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.
- Roll Call conducted by Commissioner Kinney.

#### II. Public Comment

- No public comments were made.

#### III. Old Business

- **EMS Workforce Privacy Protection**
  - Commissioner Mike Bateman (CO) provided an update. The workgroup did not meet in July, and the next meeting is scheduled for August.
- **JEMS Collaboration Update**
  - Executive Director Woodyard is continuing work on an agreement with JEMS, which will be presented at a future meeting.

#### IV. Reports

- **Treasurer's Report**
  - Commissioner Kinney presented the Treasurer's Report in the absence of Commissioner Vande Lune. The report was accepted as presented.
- **Review of July 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary**
  - Motion to approve by Commissioner Koehler (WY), seconded by Commissioner Denny (ID). The motion passed, and the summary was accepted as presented.
- **Chair's Report - Kinney**
  - Commissioner Kinney welcomed new Commissioners from South Dakota and Oklahoma. He also recognized the promotion of Commissioner Mike Bateman to Chief of the Emergency Medical & Trauma Services Branch in Colorado.
  - The Compact website has been updated to include a new section on the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).
  - Commissioner Kinney reviewed the Executive Director's written report and entered it into the meeting record.
- **National EMS Coordinated Database Report**
  - Ray Mollers from the National Registry of EMTs provided an update on the status of the National EMS Coordinated Database.

#### V. New Business

- **Code of Conduct Update**
  - Commissioner Michael Johnson (GA) provided an update on the Privilege to Practice Code of Conduct, which has been revised based on public feedback. The finalized version will be presented to the full Commission in October. The committee discussed next steps, including potential incorporation of the Code of Conduct by reference into a rule, with further consideration by the Rules and Bylaws Committee.
- **Amicus Brief Discussion - Colorado Paramedic Case**
  - Commissioner Bateman (CO) recused himself from the discussion. The Executive Committee and Counsel discussed the appropriateness of filing an amicus brief related to the Colorado Paramedic criminal case. Commissioner Denny made a motion not to proceed with an amicus brief, seconded by Commissioner Koehler (WY). The motion passed. Commissioner Denny clarified that the Commission's decision does not reflect disagreement with other organizations, such as the IAFF, filing amicus briefs, but rather the Commission's position as a governmental body representing multiple states.
- **U.S. Department of Education Title IV Funding - Public Comment**
  - The committee reviewed a proposed public comment letter drafted by the Executive Director regarding Title IV funding. Commissioner Denny motioned to accept the letter and authorize its submission, seconded by Commissioner Koehler (WY). The motion passed.

#### VI. Adjourn Meeting

- The meeting was adjourned following the completion of the agenda.

#### Summary of Motions:

| Motion # | Motion Summary                                                       | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Vote |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|
| 1        | Approve July 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary                | Koehler         | Denny           | Pass |
| 2        | Do not proceed with amicus brief for Colorado Paramedic case         | Denny           | Koehler         | Pass |
| 2        | Approve and submit public comment letter regarding Title IV funding. | Denny           | Koehler         | Pass |

The official record of this meeting is an audio recording available on [www.EMSCompact.gov](http://www.EMSCompact.gov)

|                         |           |                                |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Previous Balance</b> | 71368.97  | 8/1/2024                       |
| <b>Debits</b>           | 6,425.00  | Debit - [REDACTED] (8/1/2024)  |
|                         | 6,425.00  | Debit - [REDACTED] (7/15/2024) |
|                         | 1,972.43  | Expense Report (8/21/2024)     |
| <b>Subtotal</b>         | 56,546.54 |                                |
| <b>Credits</b>          | 40,000.00 | NREMT                          |
| <b>Current Balance</b>  | 96,546.54 | 9/1/2024                       |
| <b>Pending Debits</b>   | 0.00      |                                |
| <b>Pending Credits</b>  | 0.00      |                                |
| <b>Pending Balance</b>  | 96,546.54 | 9/1/2024                       |

Respectfully submitted,

Brad VandeLune,  
Iowa Commissioner | Treasurer



## September 2024 NEMSCD Administrator Report

**24**

MEMBER STATES

**272,936**

COMPACT PROVIDERS  
IN DATABASE

**325,000**

TOTAL ESTIMATED  
COMPACT PROVIDERS

| State EMS Office | Latest API Submission Date | First API Submission Date |
|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| LOUISIANA        | 08/31/2024                 | 08/10/2021                |
| IOWA             | 08/31/2024                 | 11/01/2023                |
| TEXAS            | 09/02/2024                 | 04/02/2021                |
| IDAHO            | 08/31/2024                 | 02/07/2022                |
| WYOMING          | 09/01/2024                 | 06/16/2021                |
| KANSAS           | 08/30/2024                 | 07/30/2021                |
| UTAH             | 08/30/2024                 | 09/29/2021                |
| COLORADO         | 08/30/2024                 | 10/26/2020                |
| MISSISSIPPI      | 09/02/2024                 | 04/28/2022                |
| GEORGIA          | 09/03/2024                 | 10/05/2021                |
| SOUTH CAROLINA   | 08/29/2024                 | 03/25/2021                |
| MISSOURI         | 08/30/2024                 | 10/20/2021                |
| ALABAMA          | 08/31/2024                 | 02/25/2021                |

### Current NEMSCD Projects

|                            |                                       |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| EMS ID Primary Identifier  | Project Approved, Scheduled Q4 2024   |
| NREMT# / EMS ID#           | Waiting approval, Anticipated Q4 2024 |
| National Registry Data Tab | Waiting approval, Anticipated Q4 2024 |
| Report Functionality       | Waiting approval, Anticipated Q4 2024 |

### State EMS Discipline Posting

| State EMS Office | Most Recent Discipline Created Date | Cases Created Last Four Months | Most Recent Discipline Update Date |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| GEORGIA          | 12/13/2023                          | 0                              | 10/13/2021                         |
| VIRGINIA         |                                     | 0                              |                                    |
| WEST VIRGINIA    |                                     | 0                              |                                    |
| MISSISSIPPI      | 04/17/2024                          | 0                              |                                    |
| TEXAS            | 08/09/2024                          | 14                             | 05/20/2024                         |
| WYOMING          | 06/20/2024                          | 1                              |                                    |
| ALABAMA          |                                     | 0                              |                                    |
| IDAHO            | 07/22/2024                          | 1                              | 12/14/2023                         |
| IOWA             | 08/20/2024                          | 2                              |                                    |
| LOUISIANA        | 08/30/2024                          | 22                             | 08/30/2024                         |
| COLORADO         | 05/29/2024                          | 6                              | 10/09/2023                         |
| KANSAS           | 06/07/2024                          | 2                              | 03/01/2024                         |
| MISSOURI         | 01/14/2022                          | 0                              |                                    |
| NEVADA           |                                     | 0                              |                                    |
| UTAH             | 06/06/2024                          | 34                             | 06/06/2024                         |
| SOUTH CAROLINA   | 10/12/2022                          | 0                              |                                    |

| States Onboarding | Last Meeting/Coordination |                                                 |
|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Tennessee         | 8/1/2024                  | TN Vendor to retry sending data to QA           |
| North Dakota      | 6/26/2024                 | ND Vendor setting up to send initial data to QA |
| Delaware BLS      | 8/5/2024                  | Retrieving EMS ID in PROD.                      |
| Nebraska          | 5/16/2024                 | Sean sent NE IT Tm Production Credentials       |
| Delaware ALS      | 5/14/2024                 | Pending EMS ID Primary Project                  |
| Pennsylvania      | 4/26/2024                 | Waiting Acadis; Presentation on 8/22            |
| Indiana           | 4/25/2024                 | Waiting Acadis; Presentation on 8/23            |
| South Dakota      |                           | Nothing to update.                              |
| Oklahoma          |                           | Nothing to update.                              |

# Briefing Memo

**Subject:** Proposed Commission Meeting Dates for 2025  
**Date:** 01 SEPT 2024  
**To:** Executive Committee  
**From:** Donnie Woodyard, Jr., Executive Director

After considering national holidays, federal EMS meetings, and known EMS stakeholder events requiring participation from Commissioners, the following dates are proposed for standing meetings of the Executive Committee and the Full Commission in calendar year 2025.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

| Date       | Time (ET) | Format  |
|------------|-----------|---------|
| 1/8/2025   | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 2/12/2025  | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 3/12/2025  | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 4/2/2025   | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 5/21/2025  | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 6/4/2025   | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 7/9/2025   | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 8/13/2025  | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 9/10/2025  | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 10/8/2025  | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |
| 11/5/2025  | 2PM – 3PM | Virtual |
| 12/10/2025 | 3PM – 4PM | Virtual |

## FULL COMMISSION

| Date                       | Time (ET) | Format                      |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Q1 – 2/19/2025             | 3PM – 5PM | Virtual                     |
| Q2 – 5/13/2025             | 3PM – 5PM | In Person, Grand Rapids, MI |
| Q3 – 8/20/2025             | 3PM – 5PM | Virtual                     |
| Q4 - 11/5/2025 (Elections) | 3PM – 5PM | Virtual                     |

## CONFERENCES & MEETINGS

| Event            | Dates            |
|------------------|------------------|
| FDIC             | April 7-11, 2025 |
| NAEMSO           | May 12-16, 2025  |
| AAA              | June 22-24, 2025 |
| Pinnacle         | July 14-18, 2025 |
| Fire Rescue Int. | Aug 13-15, 2025  |
| NAEMSE           | Aug 4-9, 2025    |
| EMS World        | Oct 20-24, 2025  |
| FICEMS / NEMSAC  | Multiple         |
| NREMT            | Multiple         |

August 7, 2024

**Public Comment on Proposed Regulation by the U.S. Department of Education**

**RE: Docket ED-2024-OPE-0050**

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Licensure, the governmental body responsible for the interstate practice of emergency medical services in the United States, we are writing to express our concerns regarding the proposed regulation changes to distance education and the definition of clock hours, as outlined in Docket ED-2024-OPE-0050.

Nationally, EMS is currently grappling with significant recruitment and retention challenges, and these challenges have been amplified in the post-COVID era. EMS agencies nationwide are struggling to maintain adequate staffing levels, and now is not the time to impose regulations that could negatively impact access to EMS education.

As an industry, we have collaborated extensively with our educational partners to expand access to EMS education, particularly in rural, frontier, and underserved areas. One of the critical strategies we have successfully implemented is the judicious and careful use of asynchronous and hybrid courses for portions of EMS education, including paramedic education. This approach allows us to maximize in-person time for essential clinical elements while providing flexibility for theoretical components.

The proposed changes to eliminate asynchronous instruction for clock-hour programs could severely hinder our ability to deliver effective and accessible EMS education. This is especially true in regions where in-person attendance poses significant logistical challenges for students.

Therefore, we respectfully request a "public safety exemption" to the proposed clock-hour rule changes. Specifically, we urge the Department of Education to grant an exemption for EMS programs, as well as fire and law enforcement programs. This exemption would allow these critical public safety education programs to continue using asynchronous and hybrid instructional methods to ensure comprehensive and accessible training for future EMS personnel.

In summary, it is crucial to consider the unique needs and challenges of public safety and EMS education in the context of these regulatory changes. We believe that a public safety exemption will support the continued delivery of high-quality EMS education, ultimately benefiting the health and safety of communities nationwide.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Donnie Woodyard, Jr.  
Executive Director  
Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice