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Executive Commissioner Conference Call

March 6, 2020 starting at 15:00 (EST)

Attendees: Justin, Joe, JMB, Doug, Dan, Tracy, Ray, Andy

Minutes: Not available for review, tabled to next meeting.

Treasure's report:

Stephen not available but provided a statement, balance listed as \$68,906.51. Approval tabled until the next meeting.

NREMT:

Ray indicated no significant new updates from the Registry.

Educator report:

Dan reported Indiana and West Virginia have passed legislation and on way to governors' desks. Dan will invite both states to attend as public members in next week's full commission meeting. Rhode Island continues to make progress. Washington bill failed due to opposition efforts. Montana has no legislation pending this year, but is making progress in that direction.

Other business:

The EMS1.com article was submitted and ran a couple of weeks ago. EMS World and JEMS next.

Work continues on graphic and narrative, and the draft will be distributed next week in advance of the full commission meeting.

Letter/correspondence: FSBPT/Nursing compact and whether Medicare was going to pay for compact services provided. Informational only at this time.

COVID-19 and discussion on getting the compact operational. Doug provided background on the statutory framework that would allow a possible operationalization of the compact, should the commission decide to go in that direction prior to the national coordinated database going live. Crisis has opportunity built into it, and it might be a good time to proceed. If this happens, and the commission makes the determination that the compact is operational, then all 18 states would need to get on board and support and recognize it being operational, because it would not be a discretionary determination for the state any longer.

JM motioned to move discussion forward to full commission on Tuesday under "other business" and Justin seconded, discussion on messaging out with manual process described, provide concept to commissioners prior to meeting, continue developing and hold any materials already drafted in reserve for Tuesday's meeting for later rollout should the commission vote to operationalize the compact, passed unanimously.

Further discussion centered on several topics including the possibility of very narrow emergency rules rather than pulling the switch to full on, what the manual process might look like until the database was operational, implications of adding personnel to run reports in remote states, and

Justin provided a NH update on the repeal of REPLICA, which is making its way through the legislative process. It is nearing passing out of the Senate with a third reading coming up, then it would move to the House.

Next full meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2020. Tracy will send a reminder on Monday.

Adjourn by Justin, seconded by JMB

Written by JMB