



BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

<u>Education Committee Meeting</u>	October 10, 2007 at 3:00 pm.
<u>Committee members present</u>	Linda Swisher, Karen Chamberlain, Daniel Griffin, Brian Lynch, Greg Rubin, and John Scott.
<u>Chairperson</u>	Linda Swisher
<u>Scribe</u>	Karen Chamberlain

Meeting called to order by Linda Swisher at 3:00pm.

Bureau report: Application process has changed, effective October 16th. January begins new process. If there are questions, they should be referred to Lisa Walker.

Quarterly statistics will be available within the next two weeks. Ricky Stone will present statistics at next quarter Education Committee meeting.

Strategic Plan for 2008-2010 draft was developed and distributed. All sections of this plan are under development, especially concerning committees and constituency groups taking lead on the objectives. Linda Swisher assured group of the Education Committee and Educators constituency groups' ability to work together cohesively. Linda Swisher also reminded those present of the nature of the two meetings; with the Educators meeting being one more focused on needs and discussions of issues and the Education Committee being one of a work group, focusing on State Plan objectives. Linda and Danny agreed to work on requested State Plan assignments.

Linda Swisher thanked all who participated in the development of the draft State Plan.

Rob Holborn: Revised EMS Instructor Certification criteria: Linda explained this document has been worked on with input and changes for the past two years. There were recent concerns expressed, including from Council members, about the content. Rob re-distributed this document through the list serve, hundreds of hard copies, and through the Florida EMS Bureau web site, and made requested changes to the document, which he presented to the group. There was extensive discussion of the levels, and changed instructor certifications. Preceptor issues were discussed, especially concerning qualifications. The decision was made to remove this sentence from the document. There was also discussion of accreditation, Bureau enforcement and various issues involved with criteria, and wording. Linda Swisher reminded group of the original intention of document, which was to meet the request from the Bureau Chief to provide hours needed to be an Instructor. The committee's have gone well beyond this expectation, which

is commendable, in the delivery of this document. Implementation would probably take two to three years.

Decision was made to take the document, with new changes, forward to Advisory Council.

This document would go to Rule development workshop before implementation, including incorporating EMS Bureau recommendations. EMS Bureau will also address enforcement issues.

Group generally agreed future issues for both groups to work on will include those mentioned above.

Linda Swisher thanked all those who have worked on this final document.

Meeting adjourned 4:30 pm