



## Emergency Medical Services Council



### HENNEPIN COUNTY EMS COUNCIL MEETING

April 2, 2026 – 3:00-4:00 p.m.

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#### **Mission**

We represent a system of pre-hospital care, striving to improve all aspects of the patient experience, by the collaborative development, use, and promotion of best practices.

#### **Service**

People serving on the EMS Council, committees, and work groups shall:

- Bring their own training, experience, and professional codes to EMS Council deliberations.
- Know and express the values and interests of their affiliated organizations.
- Serve the best interests of patients.

### **AGENDA**

Welcome and introductions – Pete Tanghe, MD, Vice Chair, EMS Council

- 1 **Action:** Approval of today's agenda
- 2 **Action:** Approval of October 2, 2025 meeting summary
- 3 **Action:** EMS Council committee nominations and proxies for today's meeting

#### **EMS Council**

- Victoria Vadnais, Allina Health EMS for vacant seat representing an Ambulance Dispatch Center at a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County
- Autumn Ties, MD to replace Kevin Sipprell, MD as the EMS Medical Director for Ridgeview Ambulance Service
- Proxy for today's meeting: Dr. Elizabeth Greenberg for Dr. Jill Donofrio (HealthPartners Methodist Hospital)

#### **EMS Medical Directors**

- Autumn Ties, MD to replace Kevin Sipprell, MD on the EMS Medical Directors Committee for Ridgeview Ambulance Service

- 4 **Updates from the Office of EMS** by Dylan Ferguson, Executive Director, OEMS
- 5 New Business - None
- 6 Old Business -None
- 7 Standing Committees - Reports

**EMS Medical Directors Committee Report** – Pete Tanghe, MD  
**Medical Standards Committee Report** – no report  
**Operations and Communications Committee Report**–Tony Martin  
**Quality Standards Committee Report** – Mike Morelock  
**Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee** – no report  
**Executive Committee Report** – Peter Tanghe, MD, Vice Chair of the EMS Council

- 8 **Staff Report** – Kristin Mellstrom
  - a. EMS Council online orientation session: Thursday, April 23 at 9:30-10:00 am
  - b. Hennepin County Board/Ordinance 9 update
- 9 **EMS Council Member Reports**
- 10 **EMS Partner Agency Reports**
- 11 **Interested Parties Reports**
- 12 Next EMS Council meeting: Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. online or hybrid (TBD)
- 13 **Action: Adjourn**

## 2026 Meeting Calendar

Meetings are held online; meeting schedules or location are posted on the [EMS Council website](#) or email [chd.ems@hennepin.us](mailto:chd.ems@hennepin.us) for meeting details. Meeting dates and times change, so please email for confirmation of the meeting if you do not receive a calendar invitation and plan to attend.

- **EMS Council** 3:00-4:00pm, 1st Thursday of April and Oct.
- **Executive Committee** 1:00-2:00pm, 2nd Monday of March-June-Sept.-Dec.
- **Quality Standards Committee** 1:30-3:00pm, 1st Tuesday of Feb.-May-Aug.-Nov.
- **Operations and Communications Committee** 9:30-10:30am, 2nd Tuesday of Jan.-April-July-Oct.
- **EMS Medical Directors** 9:30-10:30am, 4th Friday of each month
- **Medical Standards Committee** 10:30-11:30pm after the EMS Medical Directors mtg in March-June-Sept.-Dec.; meetings are held as needed
- **Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee** – Meetings TBD, when a minimum for a quorum is nominated and can be assembled