



SAEMS

SOUTHEAST ARIZONA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL
Chair: Joshua Gaither, MD; Vice Chair: Chief Tom Brandhuber; Executive Director: Sara Perotti, DNP, ACNP-BC

SAEMS REGIONAL EMS COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Date: 1/20/2026

Time: 1000

Zoom Meeting Direct Link

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/9907062258?pwd=a3BlcUF4QkhkWkRNRS9jMklhOHpyQT09&omn=8922105828>

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- I. Call to Order / Roll Call:** Voting Member Attendance
- II. Biennial Vice-Chair Elections:** Open: Call for nominations
 - A. Nominations: open
- III. Consent Agenda:**
 - A. Approval of minutes: 10/21/2025 meeting.
 - B. Financial Report/Accountant summary/Audit report
- IV. Executive Directors Update(s):** Non-voting material notifications.
 - A. ADHS/BEMSTS Contract: No new funding adjustments.
 - B. Quarterly CER submission(s): Q1 submitted/paid. Q2 submitted.
 - C. Quarterly Report: To be submitted after 1/20/26 meeting.
 - D. ADHS/BEMSTS personnel changes:
 - i. Bureau Chief: Chris Hale, replacing previously vacated role by Rachel Garcia
 - ii. Interim: Section Chief, Ligia Castro-Blen, vacated by Julia Vinton
 - iii. Time Sensitive Illness and Injury Manager, vacated by Adam Rodriguez
 - E. EMCT of the Year: Nominations due to BEMSTS by 3/17/26.
 - F. Regional EMS Plan: To be determined once deliverables received from BEMSTS.
 - G. Updated SSCIP/Certificate of Insurance:
Submitted/received and approved by BEMSTS for current contract year.

H. Website update

V. New-Old Business/Action Items:

- A. PDR Protocols/Procedures for review/approval
 - i. Reminder: SAEMS Offload Plan (*old business/no vote required*)
- B. SAEMS Regional Council Representation: OPEN positions
 - i. Cochise County: Replacing position vacated by Kevin Venos.
 - ii. Base Hospital Managers: Replacing position vacated by Chris Falcon.
 - iii. Base Hospital Managers: (Urban-within Pima County): Replacing position vacated by Kevin LeClair. Pending BHM vote/chair replacement. Ingrid Hall-Bidegain currently serving in interim role.
 - iv. Public Health Officer: Replacing position vacated by Manny Montano
- C. 2026 Master Meeting Calendar Amendment: Date for BHM/PDR standing meeting adjusted from 1/14/26 to correct date of 1/21/26. *No vote required.*
- D. Budget reserve threshold: Dr. Gaither

VI. Old Business & Sub-Region/Committee Reports:

- A. Sub-regional Reports:
 - i. Pima: PEMS
 - ii. Cochise: CCEMS
 - iii. Santa Cruz: SCEMS
 - iv. Graham-Greenlee: GG-CMEMS
- B. Committee Reports:
 - i. Regional Trauma Committee
 - ii. EMS Medical Directors
 - iii. Providers Committee Report
 - iv. Protocol Development and Review Report
 - v. Base Hospital Managers Report
 - vi. Air Medical Committee Report
- C. Pima County Health Department Report: Manny Montano, vacated position. No replacement identified.
- D. Arizona Department of Health Services Report: ADHS/BEMSTS Representative

VII. Data & Quality:

- A. Encourage submissions of all types.

VIII. Kramer Scholarship submissions:

- A. Applications/Open for submission: Ongoing

IX. NEMESIS 3.5 update: Updates

X. Upcoming Events/Important Announcements:

- A. Jake Merry (Banner Prehospital) Announcement: Opening of new Banner University Medical Center Pediatric Emergency Department. Directions for EMS arrivals to new pediatric ED.

XI. Call to the public:

XII. Education Announcements:

Adjourn: