

Emergency Service Provider Wellness Commission

Meeting Agenda- Remote

05/17/2022

Welcome Started at 11:06

In Attendance:

Mourning Fox	Len Howard	Matthew Engels
Stephanie Busch	Vicki Fielding	Emma Harrigan
Mark McDonough	Kate Lamphere	Samantha Sweet
Barb Neal	Trevor Whipple	Clarke Collins
Lance Burnham		

Adopt minutes meetings from the following past meetings:

1/4/22- approved with edits (name corrections)
1/26/22- approved
4/11/22- approved

Legislative Updates: [H465](#): includes a new member to the ESP commission. H465 proposes to add “a currently or formerly registered as a ski patroller at a Vermont ski resort with the National Ski Patrol or Professional Ski Patrol Association.” H465 was sent to the Governor for their veto or signature. We will send out updates the committee as update come.

5/26/2022 **Update:** The Governor signed H.465 on [May 24th, 2022](#).

Burlington Fire Department Assessment Update

Mark McDonough provided an update that the assessment; he stated that the report should be available next meeting. Mark said that would be able to provide a presentation at a future meeting (June or July).

Update on Report Drafting process

Survey results

Demographics of the workforce

What we know about the sectors?

Brainstorming Recommendations

There was some discussion regarding initial brainstorming of recommendations including developing a set of best-practices for agencies/ department for supporting ES providers.

Are there any best practices/ research for ESP Wellness?

We discussed preparing the report over the summer and will be meeting monthly.

The group discussed researching nationally what is available for best-practices, sample guidelines, etc from national associations from each sector to help inform the discussion in VT.

We should be focused on the key responsibilities that our outlined in the Act
<https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2022/Docs/ACTS/ACT037/ACT037%20As%20Enacted.pdf>)

The following people have volunteered to do some research and bring research to the group during the next meeting to inform the conversation.

Emergency Communications/ Dispatch- Barb N

EMS- Vicki F

Fire- Mark M (Mark will reach out to Bill for the volunteer Fire side)

Law Enforcement- Trevor

Dept of Labor- Lance B

National Council of Emotional Wellbeing- Kate

Website update and review ([Emergency Service Provider Wellness Commission | Vermont Department of Health \(healthvermont.gov\)](#)) – We reviewed the new Wellness commission landing page on VDH's. We will be adding the meeting information (details, agenda, minutes, any reports, etc) to this page.

Next Steps & Next meetings: June, July, August, Sept
Stephanie will send out doodle polls for meetings during the Summer to schedule meetings.

Meeting Ended 12:01