PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION
EMS & Trauma Systems

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PRAC (POLST Rules Advisory Committee)
Monday, April 13, 2015
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Chair	Margaret Klein, RN, MS, JD
Members present	Jenny Cook B.A, Margaret Klein, RN,
Members not present	Chris Heppell
Guests present	Dana Zive
PHD staff present	Candace Hamilton EMT-P, and Stella Rausch-Scott, EMT, David Lehrfeld, M.D.
Members on the phone	Paul Rostykus M.D., David Hall, FNP
Guests on the phone	none

Agenda Item	*Call to Order – Margaret Klein*

Agenda Item	*Approve minutes – Everyone*
Minutes were reviewed from the last meeting.	

Agenda Item	*Overview and Agenda – Margaret Klein*
The committee reviewed the agenda for the meeting.	

Agenda Item	*OHA Update – State EMS and Trauma Systems Office Staff*
Candace provided an update from the State EMS Office's most current changes and news. PRAC has met a 5 year review process and the discussion of whether or not to remove PRAC from rule and statute took place. PRAC is a public committee that helps the general public have access to the committee. There is a POLST task force and a thought to combine the PRAC and the task force was suggested as the same information is brought to both meetings. The one main difference is that the PRAC is a meeting open to the public. The committee feels that if the two committees were combined that the task force would have hesitation to follow through with this. The members feel that they have met the goals set forth for the POLST registry. The final goal that is coming to a completion is the ePOLST form. Options for keeping the POLST registry update open to the public would be to: • Have open public meeting • A yearly update at a major hospice palliative care conference • Quarterly update Legislative updates: House Bill 2477 covers contracting process for the Oregon Health Authority. Senate Bill 193 clarifies the rights and privilege of advanced directives and exemption laws.	

Agenda Item	*ePOLST pilot update – Jenny Cook*
Jenny Cook updated the group on the ePOLST pilot project which went live on April 7th. This has been a soft launch in order to remove any bugs with the developer. The developer has been able to create links in order to update the information in real time. The ePOLST will eventually be able to query the POLST form at any time for emergent needs. This would be able to cross over any POLST form that has been created. This pilot project is	

being watched by EPIC as a national level to see if the information will be able to be shared between other medical programs.

Agenda Item	*Standard Registry reports and performance measure – POLST staff*
POLST registry presented the 5 year retrospective review. There has been an average increase of 100 calls a month. Emergency rooms were able to contact the POLST registry in order to confirm a POLST form on a patient being brought in. 247,992 forms have been collected 112,000 forms are active 165,494 registrants have been submitted to the registry. 28.6% of forms have been received within the same date as signed. As the new ePOLST registry starts to submit data this 24 hour number will be higher. On average the new number of registrants are consistent and forms are starting to show in real time.	

Agenda Item	*Evaluations and Research – Dana Zive*
There are no new requests for data or research. There is one QA/QI request from the National POLST office for types of physician signatures. This started a project with Dr. Lehrfeld and the PRAC office to create a data request form for such requests. This will help for external requests for data from the POLST registry. Two types of request will be able to us this form, QA/QI requests and POLST with trauma related injuries. When studies are published the writers should submit a copy of the published document for the POLST registry to have as a document.	

Agenda Item	*Public Comment*

No public comments.

Agenda Item	*Meeting adjourned*
The meeting was adjourned.	

Next meeting: Monday January 11, 2016. Portland State Office Building.10 am to 12 pm