

<p><b>Governing Committee</b></p>	<p>Members of the governing committee met with Imagetrend on January 4 to discuss additional questions regarding the product and services that will be offered. The group is awaiting a draft agreement from Imagetrend that will outline products, services and cost. Additionally, Imagetrend is going to supply the group with a proposal outlining exactly what is included in the training services.</p> <p>Next governing committee meeting: TBA</p>
<p><b>EMS Advisory Workgroup</b></p>	<p>Members of the EMS Advisory Workgroup met on January 11 for the first time to discuss various topics to begin the E-RHIT program.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.) David Marcus from Northshore EMS agreed to co-chair with Patrick Hawthorne from Shreveport EMS.</li> <li>2.) The group determined that initially they will meet bi-monthly face-to-face, with other meetings either by conference or face-to-face as needed to meet grant requirements.</li> <li>3.) There was a lot of discussion about what products are currently being used throughout the state and how they will interface with the state owned data registry.</li> <li>4.) The group agreed to send a survey to all providers. This survey will be split into two parts—one for agencies that have an ePCR in place and another for those that do not have an ePCR in use.</li> <li>5.) Regarding data sets, the group agreed that the program, in general, needs to align with the NEMSIS data sets. However, there may be additional data fields that the providers may want to include. (to be determined at the next meeting)</li> <li>6.) Additionally, the group discussed a tentative process for implementation. Once that process has been vetted and approved by the governing committee, staff will inform all providers of how the program will rollout.</li> </ol> <p>The next meeting for the EMS Advisory Workgroup is scheduled for February 8, 2012 at the LERN office in Baton Rouge.</p>
<p><b>ePCR Software</b></p>	<p>As mentioned earlier, Imagetrend is working on a draft agreement to outline the products, services, costs and a proposal outlining the training services. Staff is utilizing a demo of the Field Bridge to become familiar with the product.</p>
<p><b>ePCR Hardware</b></p>	<p>Staff has been in touch with two vendors, Mobile Concepts and Panasonic to demo two tablets as potential options for our providers. We will keep everyone informed as this selection process proceeds.</p>
<p><b>Project Contact</b></p>	<p>Because the project has many “moving parts” in the beginning stages of implementation, staff is working diligently to communicate accurate and timely information to all providers regarding all aspects of the program. Please feel free to contact me, if you have any questions, comments or suggestions about the program.</p> <p>Becky Thibodaux E-RHIT Network Director 225-612-3177 office 985-513-4114 cell <a href="mailto:becky@newchurchassoc.com">becky@newchurchassoc.com</a></p>