

## EMS Council and Committee Membership

Approved by the EMS Council on 4/10/2025

Appointments should be rotated every two years, with the option to continue for one additional two-year period, unless otherwise noted.

### Elected Officers of the EMS Council

The EMS Council shall elect from its membership, every two years, one chairperson and one vice chairperson; one must be an emergency physician member and one must be elected from the non-physician membership. The appointments are rotated.

1. Chairperson: Susan Long (Allina Health EMS) first term ends in April 2026
2. Vice Chairperson – Peter Tanghe, MD (North Memorial Health Ambulance Service)

### EMS Council Executive Committee Chairpersons

3. EMS Medical Directors Committee Chair – Peter Tanghe, MD (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
4. Medical Care and Standards Committee Chair – Nick Simpson, MD (Hennepin EMS) first
5. Operations and System Communications Chairperson – Tony Martin (Hennepin County Sheriff's Office)
6. Quality Standards Committee – Mike Morelock (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
7. Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee of the EMS Medical Directors Committee - *Vacant*

**Healthcare systems in Hennepin County that operate at least one 24-hour emergency department or stand-alone ED and operate a 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a Primary Service Area (PSA) in Hennepin County (one vote per system, with an emergency physician serving as either the regular or alternate representative; two-year rotation is optional, at the discretion of the healthcare system)**

8. Allina Health Hospitals – Megan Elsenheimer Plutt, DO (reg.) and Steven Dickson (alt.)

9. Hennepin Healthcare HCMC – Wendy Stulac-Motzel (reg.) and Gregg Jones, MD (alt.)
10. North Memorial Health Hospital – John Lyng, MD (reg.) and Elizabeth Robinson, MD (alt.)

**Healthcare systems in Hennepin County that operate at least one 24-hour emergency department or stand-alone ED (one vote per system, with an emergency physician serving as either the regular or alternate representative)**

*Two-year rotation is optional, at the discretion of each healthcare system*

11. Children’s MN – Emma Fisher, MD (reg.) and David Hirschmann, MD (alt.)
12. MHealth Fairview – Nik Vuljaj, MD (reg.) and (alt.) Robert Tanouye, MD
13. HealthPartners Methodist Hospital – Jill Donofrio, DO (reg.) and Megan Grewe (alt.)

**Healthcare systems that operate a 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County (one vote per system, with an emergency physician serving as either the regular or alternate representative; two-year rotation is optional, at the discretion of the healthcare system)**

14. Ridgeview Medical Center – Matt Herold, MD (reg.) and Scott Joing, MD (alt.)

**EMS Providers with a PSA in Hennepin County and licensed to operate 9-1-1 service (Two-year rotation is optional, at the discretion of the EMS Provider)**

Allina Health EMS

15. EMS Medical Director – Joey Duren, MD
16. Administrator – Kevin Miller

Edina Fire EMS

17. EMS Medical Director – Paul Nystrom, MD
18. Administrator – Shaun White

Hennepin EMS

19. EMS Medical Director – Nick Simpson, MD
20. Administrator – Marty Scheerer

North Memorial Health Ambulance Service

- 21. EMS Medical Director - Peter Tanghe, MD
- 22. Administrator - Brent Custard

Ridgeview Ambulance Service

- 23. EMS Medical Director – Kevin Sipprell, MD
- 24. Administrator – Mark Anderson

**Additional Representatives**

*Two-year rotation is recommended for the following seats*

- 25. Paramedic (employed at a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County)  
Jeremiah Steele, EMT-P (Edina Fire EMS)
- 26. Paramedic (employed at a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County)  
Angela Pesta, EMT-P (Hennepin EMS)
- 27. Ambulance Dispatch Center (at a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County)  
*Vacant*
- 28. Primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) in Hennepin County  
Tony Martin (Hennepin County Sheriff's Office) first term ends April 2026
- 29. West Medical Resource Control Center (West MRCC)  
Dan Klawitter
- 30. Hennepin County Chiefs of Police Association  
*Vacant*
- 31. Hennepin County Fire Chiefs Association  
Dale Specken (Hopkins Fire Dept., Chief)

32. Public representative without EMS industry affiliation (either a citizen of Hennepin County or an employee of a public health department in Hennepin County)  
Cynthia Myntti (Hennepin County resident)
33. A representative from organized labor representing hospital-based EMS  
Sam Erickson (Hennepin County Association of Paramedics and EMTs [HCAPE])
34. A representative from organized labor representing firefighters  
*Vacant*
35. Hennepin County Director of Public Health Dept. (non-voting, ex-officio member)  
Sara Hollie

### **Executive Committee of the EMS Council**

Chair: Susan Long (first term ends in April 2026)

1. EMS Council Chair – Susan Long (Allina Health EMS)
2. EMS Council Vice Chair – Peter Tanghe, MD (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
3. EMS Medical Directors Committee Chair – Peter Tanghe, MD (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
4. Medical Care and Standards Committee Chair – Nick Simpson, MD (Hennepin EMS)
5. Operations and System Communications Chair – Tony Martin (Hennepin County Sheriff's Office)
6. Quality Standards Committee Chair – Michael Morelock (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
7. Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee Chair – *Vacant*

### **EMS Medical Directors Committee of the EMS Council**

Chair: Peter Tanghe, MD (first term ends in April 2026)

1. Allina Health EMS – Joey Duren, MD
2. Edina Fire EMS – Paul Nystrom, MD
3. Hennepin EMS – Nick Simpson, MD
4. North Memorial Health Ambulance – Peter Tanghe, MD
5. Ridgeview Ambulance Service – Kevin Sipprell, MD

### **Ambulance Service Personnel Subcommittee of the EMS Medical Directors Committee**

Chair: *vacant*, must be an EMT-P

1. Allina Health EMS, EMT or EMT-P – *vacant*
2. Edina Fire EMS, EMT or EMT-P – *vacant*
3. Hennepin EMS, EMT or EMT-P – *vacant*
4. North Memorial Health Ambulance, EMT or EMT-P – *vacant*
5. Ridgeview Ambulance Service, EMT or EMT-P – Kristin Lange, EMT-P
6. EMS Medical Director – *vacant*
7. Emergency physician from a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department - *vacant*
8. One labor representative – Sam Erickson, EMT-P (HCAPE Vice President)

### **Medical Care and Standards Committee of the EMS Council**

Chair: Nick Simpson, MD (first term ends in Oct. 2025)

1. Allina Health EMS Medical Director – Joey Duren, MD
2. Edina Fire EMS Medical Director – Paul Nystrom, MD
3. Hennepin EMS Medical Director – Nick Simpson, MD
4. North Memorial Health Ambulance Medical Director – Peter Tanghe, MD
5. Ridgeview Ambulance Service Medical Director – Kevin Sipprell, MD
6. An emergency physician from a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department that is not affiliated with a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in the County – Owen Anderson, MD (HealthPartners Methodist Hospital)
7. An emergency physician from a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department that is not affiliated with a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in the County – Emma Fisher, MD (Children’s Hospital)
8. An emergency physician from a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department - Todd Joing, MD (MHealth Fairview Southdale Hospital)
9. A paramedic from a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County – Hailey Kennedy, EMT-P (Hennepin EMS)
10. A hospital administrator from a hospital that is not affiliated with a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County – Lisa Pearson (MHealth)

Fairview University)

11. A communications representative from an ambulance dispatch center of a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County or from West MRCC – Dan Klawitter (West MRCC)

### **Operations and System Communications Committee of the EMS Council**

Chair: Tony Martin (first term ends in April 2026)

1. Allina Health EMS Operations – Kevin Miller
2. Edina Fire EMS Operations – Shaun White
3. Hennepin EMS Operations – Charles Sloan
4. North Memorial Health Ambulance Operations – Tony Ebensteiner
5. Ridgeview Ambulance Service Operations – Mark Anderson
6. Emergency physician from a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department – Peter Tanghe, MD (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
7. West MRCC – Dan Klawitter
8. Primary PSAP in Hennepin County – Tony Martin (Hennepin County Sheriff's Office)
9. Ambulance Dispatch Center at a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County – Vikki Vadnais (Allina Health EMS)
10. Hennepin County Fire Chiefs Association – Dale Specken (Hopkins Fire Dept. Chief)
11. Social worker who works in Hennepin County – Tammy Doll (Hennepin County COPE)

### **Quality Standards Committee of the EMS Council**

Chair: Michael Morelock (first term ends in April 2026)

1. Allina Health EMS Clinical Quality – Christie Traczyk
2. Edina Fire EMS Clinical Quality – Shaun White
3. Hennepin EMS Clinical Quality – Kristie Royce
4. North Memorial Health Ambulance Clinical Quality – Michael Morelock
5. Ridgeview Ambulance Service Clinical Quality – John Berkholtz

6. EMS Medical Director from a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County – Aaron Robinson, MD (Hennepin EMS)
7. EMS Medical Director from a licensed 9-1-1 EMS Provider with a PSA in Hennepin County – Zach Finn, MD (North Memorial Health Ambulance)
8. Emergency physician at a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department – *Vacant*
9. Emergency physician at a hospital in Hennepin County that operates a 24-hour emergency department – *Vacant*