

HEMS, INC.
MEDICAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2004
OAKWOOD HOSPITAL ANNAPOLIS CENTER-
WAYNE

- I. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by Michael Calice M.D., Medical Director.
- II. MEMBERSHIP
It was announced that Padric Sweeny MD, Physician Director, and Brooks Bock MD, Alternate Physician Director, Physician representatives to the MCAB, for Detroit Receiving Hospital, a new HEMS member hospital.
- III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
There were no additions and/or modifications to the agenda.
- IV. MINUTES
A. A motion was passed to approve the February 12, 2004 meeting minutes.
- V. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Nurse Managers-Connie McGinnis and Char Teeter.
 - 1. Reviewed the status limitations protocol and the new protocol for Detroit East MCA. Question was asked that if the status limitations protocol is changed will the PIC centers, that somewhat follow the current status procedure, be obligated to adopt the new policy?
 - B. Communications-Bill Forbush
 - 1. Updated list of hospitals connected to the HEMS Radio System was distributed.
 - C. Application Review-Rob Bruley – No report.
 - D. Pharmacy-Debbie Wagner – No report.
 - E. Disaster-Wayne County Emergency Management
 - F. Protocol-Dr. Domeier (Dr. Calice)
 - 1. A motion was passed to approve the following protocol corrections and/or new protocols and to relay this approval to the Regional Protocol Committee.
 - a. Automated External Defibrillators - Delete the less than 80 pound reference. Allows for ped use if

personnel are trained and have the cables/pads for their AED

- b. Acute CHF/Pulmonary Edema and Chest Pain Protocols- Viagra or similar medication (addition of or similar medication).
 - c. Symptomatic Bradycardia - correction of post radio Paramedic #6 from 1:10,000 to 1:1,000
 - d. Pediatric Cardiac Arrest - Deletion of Paramedic #4
Check blood glucose level.
 - e. MASS CASUALTY INCIDENT (MCI) AND INCIDENT/UNIFIED COMMAND STRUCTURE - This protocol was adopted by all other participating Regional Protocol MCAs to standardize this important operational procedure and language across our fluid MCA lines. Fire input was sought to insure appropriate terminology.
 - f. BT PROTOCOLS DEVELOPED BY OUR REGION 2 SOUTH EMS COMMITTEE AND BEING REVIEWED FOR ADOPTION BY THE REGIONAL PROTOCOL COMMITTEE
 - SARS Identification
 - General Rash Protocol
 - Respiratory Illness Protocol
2. OTHER REGIONAL PROTOCOL COMMITTEE NOTES OF INTEREST:
- a. Pain control protocol being drafted.
 - b. Fentanyl is not a dead issue. Oakland and Genesee MCAs have approved its inclusion in the box as an additional medication. Our MCA needs to make a decision.
 - c. Lapeer MCA is developing a cardiac medication bag. Possible contents include nitro, albuterol (with nebulizer), aspirin, and maybe Tylenol. This is something our system previously supported. The region committee will be looking at this again.
3. Pelvic Sling review results by QRC
There is no indication for the use of this in the field. The studies cited are on cadavers and do there are no studies that show better outcome of patients when any pelvic stabilization device is used in the field. This device is expensive and there is no benefit at this time. Positive controlled outcome studies would need to be published before this device can be recommended. We do not apply

any device in the hospital without an x ray first. There is potential for harm and pain in pre-hospital patients.

The MCAB does not support use of the Pelvic Sling.

- G. Quality Review-Dr. Calice
 - A. Run report reviews were conducted.
 - B. Reminder that if the patient's condition deteriorates in route, re-contact with the receiving facility should be made to provide an updated patient report.

VI. NEW CQI INDICATOR

- A. The third (#3) CQI documentation Indicator was e mailed to all EMS agencies and also distributed to the MCAB.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Region II South Bioterrorism Planning Board (HRSA grant application)- Update – Conference brochures were distributed.
- B. Hems and Select Medical sponsored ACLS recertification – Flyer distributed.
- C. The 2004-05 license renewal procedure was distributed to all EMS agencies. The MCAB supported continuation of the 2 CQI report requirement for license renewal approval to operate in the MCA.
- D. Dr. Calice appointed the following members to the 2004-05 MCAB Nomination Committee:
 - SUSAN HORLING D.O., CHAIRPERSON
 - ROBERT TOMPOS
 - PAUL HOOD
 - RICK OZIEMSKI
 - MICHAEL RORABACHER
- D. Taser protocol draft developed by Farmington Hills Fire was distributed. Referred to Protocol Committee. Dr. Dunne also provided an article on Tasers.

VIII. CLOSURE

- A. The next meeting of the MCAB is April 8, 2004, 8:45 AM. Standard agenda item includes Annual license renewal period, Program compliance, Pharmacy participation, and MCAB appointment recommendations.
- B. There being no further business the MCAB was adjourned to the Service/Physician Director CQI meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,
Robert Miljan

