

HEMS, INC.  
MEDICAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2004  
OAKWOOD HOSPITAL ANNAPOLIS CENTER-  
WAYNE

- I. CALL TO ORDER  
The meeting was called to order by Michael Calice MD, Medical Director.
- II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA  
A motion was passed to approve the agenda as presented.
- III. MINUTES  
A motion was passed to approve the June 10, 2004 meeting minutes
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Nurse Managers-Connie McGinnis and CharTeeter.
    - 1. Backboards piling up again. EMS agencies are asked to pick up their equipment. Per protocol after a certain amount of time the hospital has no responsibility for the equipment.
    - 2. Three major exercises ED's are involved in. This includes the WCCC drill, Solutia drill and statewide smallpox exercise.
  - B. Communications-Bill Forbush  
Review of project status.
  - C. Application Review-Rob Bruley
    - 1. A motion was passed to recommend MDCH EMS Division approval of the Rapid Response EMS application to provide ALS service for the service area outlined in its application.
  - D. Pharmacy-Debbie Wagner
    - 1. EPI PEN implementation is being worked on.
    - 2. Draft review of pain protocol to include fentanyl.
    - 3. Cardiac Pac is still being worked on.
    - 4. HAZMAT committee will be scheduled to meet to review the protocols.
    - 5. Form updates (by Rob Glenn and Debbie) need to be finalized.
    - 6. Inventory needs to be scheduled.
    - 7. EMS agencies are asked to remind their crews of the procedure for wasting controlled substances in the pharmacy protocol. Diversion forms are being completed for runs where this documentation is missing.

*In the event that controlled substances are prepared for use and not used or the entire contents of a container are not used, the remaining medication will be appropriately wasted by ALS personnel in the presence of licensed hospital personnel. Documentation of waste must be completed before the physician signs the documentation of use form. The following will be recorded on the Documentation Of Use Form:*

- A) *The name and amount of the medication wasted.*
- B) *The initials of the ALS personnel and hospital personnel witnessing the waste.*

- E. Disaster-Wayne County Emergency Management
  - 1. Mi 1 DMAT deployed to Florida.
  - 2. Wayne County Home Land Security and Emergency Management are sponsoring free excellent preparedness training courses. Contact Mark Hammond for additional details. Hospitals, Municipal and Private Providers can take advantage of this opportunity.
- F. Protocol-Dr. Domeier (Dr. Calice)
  - 1. Working on the pain protocol with the implementation of fentanyl.
  - 2. Other protocols approved (MI, TEMS, etc.) are still at MDCH for approval.
- G. Quality Review-Dr. Calice
  - 1. *EMS agencies are asked to review with crews documentation of circumstances for prolonged on scene time, as well as for any other prolonged time. Trauma Center run reviews are identifying, as a quality bench mark, runs with on scene times over 20 minutes without documented explanation.*
  - 2. The changes in the transportation protocols, resulting from the status limitation protocol changes, were reviewed.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Guidance issue: Should the MCAB develop a protocol making ACLS mandatory for Paramedics to practice in the HEMS MCA? PALS (or comparable)? BTLS? (Or comparable)?
  - 1. A motion was unanimously passed to make ACLS certification mandatory for all ALS (Paramedics) practicing in the HEMS MCA by the end of the 2005 EMS agency relicensure period (June 30, 2005). EMS Agencies will be required to submit documentation of ACLS certified personnel practicing in the HEMS MCA with their agency license renewal

application and CQI report completion. New employees must have ACLS certification before they are allowed to practice in the MCA.

2. A motion was unanimously passed to support and strongly recommend that all EMS personnel practicing in the HEMS MCA complete training in nationally recognized PED ACLS, and Adult and Peds Trauma programs (NOT MANDATED).
3. Discussion was held on huge availability of these programs in area EMS schools/hospitals and that in many cases can be put on for "in-house" training programs.
4. Treatment protocols are developed according to ACLS guidelines. Paramedics need this knowledge base to provide both appropriate and quality patient care to our citizens and visitors to the area.

- B. New Rules for the EMS Act. Two parts: one for agency and system and one for personnel were distributed.
- C. Taylor Meth. Lab response – Bob Tompos provided an overview of this preparedness event.
- D. Region II South Bioterrorism Planning Board (HRSA grant application)- Update. Meeting follows the CQI report session. Everyone is welcome to be involved and attend the meeting.
- E. Training opportunities distributed:
  1. American Heart Prevention of Vascular Disease.
  2. Midwest Medflight Educational Seminar
  3. Children's Hospital – Chemical Agents of Opportunity for Terrorism.
  4. Oakwood Emergency Preparedness Seminar
- F. **THANK YOU FOR THE BEST RAINED-OUT GOLF OUTING EVER!!!! Everyone had a fun filled day with good food, raffles, education, and conversation with other System Partners. Links of Novi also gave those present and desiring it a rain check for 18 holes of golf!**

VI. CLOSURE

- A. The next meeting of the 2004-05 MCAB is October 14, 2004, 8:45 AM.
- B. Adjournment to the Service/Physician Director CQI meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Miljan  
Secretary

