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PEMS Interfacility and Critical Care Transport Committee Meeting Minutes

A Subcommittee of the Board of Directors

Meeting Date: December 20, 2016

Meeting Location: PEMS

Chaired By: Staff

Begin Time: 15:00

End Time: 16:00

Minutes Submitted By: M. Player

Draft: Approved Date: 7/11/17

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Baylous, Denise (TC) – Nightingale	Bryant, Amanda – Medical Transport	Hoyle, Paul	
Harris, Beverly – VCU Life Evac	Cannon, Chris – CHKD Transport	Player, Michael	
Moore, Jarod – Heart Song Care	Caraballo, Brandi – NuCare Carolin		
Wilson, Deborah – Riverside Pt. Transport	DeLoach, Valerie – Cardinal Amb. Svc.		
	Franklin, Kenneth – Lifecare		
	Gross, Kevin – AMR		
	Hogge, Lauren – Bon Secours RGH		
	Keithley, Tom – Sentara Healthcare		
	Mitchell, Travis – Bon Secours Hampton		
	Bon Secours Richmond CCT		
	Newport News Shipuilding		
	PHI Air Methods		

Item	Discussion	Action Required	By Whom/When
Call to Order	Meeting called to order by M. Player.		
Introductions	Introductions by all members present.		
Approval of Minutes	No Minutes to approve.		
Membership	Election of Committee Chair and Co-Chair – Tabled by consensus.		
Staff Report	Background and purpose of Committee. M. Player explained the rationale behind Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc. Board of Directors’ desire to establish a PEMS Interfacility and Critical Care Transport Committee. He explained that the Board had noted that over a third of the licensed EMS agencies located in the PEMS service area provided emergency medical services as inter-facility and critical care transport agencies and not as Designated		

	<p>Emergency Response Agencies (DERAs). They recognized that the Interfacility and critical care transport agencies were not represented on committees and their issues were not generally represented in regional EMS delivery and patient care discussions. The Board felt that the time had come to fully enfranchise these agencies and to include their important voice in the work of the Council, especially noting that Interfacility and critical care transports are becoming more frequent as the specialization of health care delivery continues to change.</p> <p>M. Player made two presentations (attached). One demonstrating how paradigms through the PEMS Interfacility and Critical Care Transport Committee.</p> <p>PEMS Council Overview – Tabled by consensus.</p>		
Old Business	No Old Business.		
New Business	<p>Direction and Issues.</p> <p>M. Player initiated a discussion on Committee Direction and Issues with those in attendance. It was quickly determined that the Council needed to reconnect with the identified Interfacility and critical care transport agency representatives and attempt to set up another meeting to establish this new initiative. It was suggested that M. Player provide those in attendance with the list of agency representatives in order to help facilitate attendance at the next scheduled meeting. M. Player stated that he had hoped the committee would meet at least quarterly. Those in attendance stated that they did not wish to wait three months for the next meeting. A tentative date of January 24, 2017 was set for the next meeting.</p> <p>D. Baylous stated that she would like to demonstrate the committee’s value by identifying some initial issues that the committee could begin to address. Those in attendance discussed several issues, including: the definition of critical care transport, helicopter EMS safety and the lack of consistency in patient turnover. They ultimately decided to concentrate the committee’s initial efforts on the lack of consistency in patient turnovers/transfers. B. Harris and D. Wilson both offered to bring their patient turnover/transfer checklist with them to the next meeting with the idea that the committee might develop a regional patient turnover/transfer standard procedure and patient care transport (turnover/transfer) sheet that could be used by all agencies to improve the quality of patient turnovers/transfers.</p> <p>D. Wilson asked M Player if he could research the State of Virginia’s definition of critical care transport for the next meeting. M. Player agreed. He stated that he would also attempt to have Michael Berg, Director of Compliance for the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services or Wayne Berry, the Regional Representative for the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services to attend/call into the next meeting in order to answer questions on regulations and current issues impacting inter-facility and critical care transports.</p>		
Good of the Order	<p>Attendance verified.</p> <p>Important dates reviewed.</p> <p>Dinner with a Doc – January 26, 2017</p> <p>PEMS Rural EMS Education Expo March 11 & 12, 2017</p> <p>26th Annual Hampton Roads Trauma Symposium - April 21, 2017</p> <p>2nd Annual Pediatric Trauma Conference – May 11, 2017</p> <p>4th Annual EMS Day at Busch Gardens May 27, 2017</p>		

Next Meeting	Next meeting to be held January 24, 2017, 10:00 a.m.		
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.		