



**Peninsulas Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.**  
**STROKE TASK FORCE**  
*Regular Session*

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**AGENDA**

Thursday, April 13, 2017

***PEMS – Dunston Conference Room***

6876 Main Street, Gloucester VA

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1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. Minutes from January 12, 2017 – Regular Meeting
4. Membership Changes:
5. Staff Report
  - a. EMS Expo
  - b. Stroke Plan Review/Revision
  - c. Trauma Plan Review/Revision
  - d. VPHIB Access – Stroke Report
6. Old Business
  - a. Protocol Rollouts completed. New Protocols in effect 3/1/2017
  - b. Stroke reports by healthcare agency members
  - c. QI by Comprehensive centers for stroke patients that bypass PCS
7. New Business
  - a. Possibility of EMS doing a pass-thru the ED and going directly to the CT scanner (based on suggested initiatives for 2017 at last meeting)
8. Good of the Order
  - a. Case Report – Barb Runk
  - b. Important Dates:
    - Hampton Roads Trauma Symposium – April 21, 2017
    - Dinner with a Doc – May 4, 2017
    - EMS Day at Busch Gardens – May 27, 2017
    - Riverside Stroke Symposium – June 2, 2017
  - c. Next meeting – July 13, 2017
  - d. Verify Attendance
9. Adjournment

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**STROKE TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES**

**A SUB COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Regular Meeting

**Meeting Date:** 04-26-17

**Meeting Location:** PEMS-Dunston Room

**Chaired By:** S. Beam

**Begin Time:** 3:00 p.m.

**End Time:** 4:00 p.m.

**Minutes Submitted By:** D. Thomas

**Draft** \_\_\_\_\_ **Approved Date:** 7-13-17

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Members Absent:</b>	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>Others:</b>
S. Beam (Chair)	A. Bryant	D. Thomas	
S. Fibish (TC)	S. Cullen		
O. Gossage (TC)	M. Harmon		
S. Hall (TC)	K. Harper		
S. Karam	V. Hogge		
S. Messina	W. Leesch		
L. Messina	T. McGregor		
B. Runk	C. Mitchell		
K. Warren (TC)	G. Samuels		
	T. Skinner		
	S. Stevens		
	B. Wilmore		

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action Required</b>	<b>By Whom/When</b>
Call to Order	By S. Beam at 3:00 p.m.		
Introductions	Introductions made online and in room as recorded above.		
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve by O. Gossage; second by B. Runk –Minutes are approved.		
Membership Changes	The following members have been removed from the Stroke Task Force: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• V. Cordaro (RWRH) being replaced by Eileen Crittenden</li> <li>• 2) S. Cole (NN-Dispatch)</li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3) C. Foster (MP-Dispatch)</li> <li>• 4) J. Jones (PEN-Dispatch)</li> <li>• 5) M. Paxton (SCH)</li> <li>• 6) K. Pinna (BS-Memorial Regional) being replaced by Patricia Lane</li> </ul> <p>D. Thomas asks if we have correct representative for Riverside Doctors Hospital as C. Mitchell has not yet attended or called into any of our meetings. – O. Gossage affirms she is the correct representative for RDH.</p>		
<p>Staff Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMS Expo was a success with approximately 81 people in attendance.</li> <li>• The Stroke Plan was revised and corrections made to listing of Primary Stroke Centers not included in the plan.</li> <li>• The Trauma Triage Plan was revised and reviewed.</li> <li>• D. Thomas reports she now has access to VPHIB but has not yet had a chance to try pulling data. O. Gossage states she has played with the new version and it seems much better. Discussion with regard PEMS using data supplied by hospitals for quarterly reports vs. mining ourselves.</li> </ul>		
<p>Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protocol rollout completed and new protocols with RACE scale went into effect on March 1, 2017. Discussion with regard to whether or not hospitals are getting RACE scores from EMS. It seems that throughout March they were being recorded and reported approximately 50% of the time; in April compliance is better at about 70%.</li> <li>• D. Thomas asks committee if they feel there would be any value in having the hospitals reports their basic stroke data at this meeting. It was felt that it wouldn't add value only time to already crowded schedules. However, it was decided that each hospital would report the following:             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) How many strokes arrived at their ED via EMS</li> <li>2) Whether EMS providers provided/documented a RACE score</li> <li>3) Whether or not any treatment was provided for the patient.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• O. Gossage states she is having difficulty figuring out the best way to gather and report the data surrounding QI for RRMC to report on the number of strokes they received via EMS who bypassed other hospitals. MIH and SCH both report that this information is very important to their hospitals/directors.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Best way is to try to educate providers and agencies of the importance of documenting it in their run report narrative. S. Karam and B. Runk both report that the patient report is now being downloaded directly into EPIC</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ which should make it much easier to view the report and narrative.</li> <li>○ D. Thomas states she will make up an announcement to put on the PEMS website/listserv/Facebook pages to ask providers to please document the actual RACE scores for stroke patients AND whether or not they bypassed a Primary Stroke Center in favor of a Comprehensive Center. She also suggests that we take this information to the EOC committee to insure the leadership is aware that we need them to QI their reports for inclusion of this information as part of the narrative.</li> </ul>		
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● At last meeting one of the initiatives for 2017 was to explore the possibility ED pass-through by EMS to go directly to CT with their stroke patients. B. Runk states that SWRMC has started this initiative already and would be happy to share with the group her hospital's protocol. She states she will email it directly to the group.</li> <li>● D. Thomas states that PEMS is looking at ways to increase meeting participation across all committees. At the Performance Improvement Committee meeting it was suggested that we combine all or as many meetings as possible into one day since so many of our members serve on multiple committees with PEMS. Since the proposed meeting "day" would still be on a Thursday the biggest effect it might have on the Stroke Task Force meetings might a different time or perhaps moving a meeting up a month or behind a month from the regularly scheduled meeting until the consolidated meeting plan is up and running. S. Beam asks for motion to support the proposed consolidation of meeting schedules across all committees. Motion made by S. Messina and seconded by O. Gossage. None opposed. Motion carries.</li> </ul>		
Good of the Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● B. Runk provides case report of a unique presentation of a stroke patient at SWRMC with a 39-minute Door to Needle time and a very good outcome with minimal deficit to patient's speech despite serious deficits prior to tPA administration.</li> <li>● <b><u>Important Dates:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hampton Roads Trauma Symposium – April 21, 2017</li> <li>○ Dinner with a Doc – May 4, 2017</li> <li>○ EMS Day at Busch Gardens – May 27, 2017</li> <li>○ Riverside Stroke Symposium – June 2, 2017</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
Next Meeting	<b>July 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m</b>		
Adjournment	Attendance was verified. Motions made & seconded; meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.		