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### PEMS Medical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

**Meeting Date:** June 11, 2020

**Meeting Location:**

Virtual/Go to Meeting

**Chaired By:** D. Justis

**Begin Time:** 10:00 a.m.

**End Time:** 11:25 am

**Minutes Submitted By:** Seth Craig

**Draft Approved Date:** 09-17-20

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Dodd, DO, Lisa (Chair) (TC)	Apostoles, MD, Steve	Craig, Seth	Musey, John- Navy Regional
	Erwin, MD, Eleanor (Vice-Chair) (TC)	Bendit, Jeff	Sledge, Tyler (TC)- Riverside Health System
Baker, MD, Chris (TC)	Bass, MD, Gregory	Player, Michael	
Clifford, MD, Christianne (TC)	Berry, Wayne		
Fish, Jr, MD, James (TC)	Clarke, DO, Clarence		
Gupta, MD, Sudershan (TC)	Dudley, DO, James		
Harper, Kimberly (TC)	Dunn, MD, Chad		
Jackson, MD, Cara Marie (TC)	Garrison, MD, James		
Jennings, MD, Torino (TC)	Haas, MD, Christopher		
Justis, MD, David (TC)	James, MD, Christopher		
Lawson, MD, Cheryl (TC)	Laing, Jim		
Louka, Amir (TC)	McCorry, DO, James		
Prata, Tony (TC)	Ray, MD, Gaylord		
Sweet, Jason (James City) (TC)	Skrip, MD, Stephen		
	Sutherland, MD, Paul		
	Veek, Phillip		
	Weber, MD, Brent		
	Williams, Cynthia		

Item	Discussion	Action Required	By Whom/When
Call to Order	Meeting Called to Order at 7:02 p.m. by L. Dodd. Those present and on teleconference introduced themselves.		
MAC Membership Changes	<p>OMD Membership Report –</p> <p>S. Craig reported that Northumberland County has a new OMD, Add Dr. Jennifer Termeer, and has been added to the MAC Roster.</p> <p>MAC Committee has a vacancy for Licensed EMS Agency (Middle Peninsula), Licensed EMS Agency</p>	Seek new members	MAC & S. Craig
Approval of Minutes	Approval of the March 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 Minutes. Motion by C. Lawson to approve, Seconded. Minutes approved unanimously as written.	Submit Final to S.Pincus	S. Craig
Regional OMD Report	<p>Dr. Lawson a special thanks to Kim Harper in getting the regional agencies and hospitals in Peninsula region to meet and keep everyone abreast of issues with COVID. Thanked the appointed COVID protocol committee. Hoping to get the MAC committee to undertake in the future. Dr. Lawson announced she is stepping down as the Regional OMD at the end of June.</p> <p>There was discussion as to whether there should be a weekly meeting to address changing needs. Concerns were presented that there was not enough participation of the member doctors/medical directors and the group should work to increase participation.</p>		
OMD Membership	<p>Question was raised if there is a participation requirement. May need to institute at least a bi-annual requirement in order to get agencies to push their own OMD to participate.</p> <p>Send emails to Seth regarding how to increase participation of OMDS</p>		MAC/Seth Craig
Committee Reports	<p>Committee Reports –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Pharmacy Committee – S. Craig for J. Bendit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Re-stocking Plan/Medication box is a deliverable. The committee has reviewed it and did not recommend changes.</li> <li>2. Reviewing medication box incident reports in August meeting.</li> <li>3. Next Meeting – August</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Performance Improvement Committee – S. Craig <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. PIC is reviewing the under-triage rate that is reported to the state.</li> <li>2. Reviewing medical incident reports – there is nothing blatant that reflects the protocols. Mainly provider issues that the agencies usually handles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. PPP Committee – David Justis, MD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Very busy with COVID.</li> <li>2. Considered doing away with Ativan, but Ativan is contained in a lot of protocols which makes change difficult.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Discussed using Versed again, but concerns with the need to refrigerate.</li> <li>4. Ketamine use discussed again as a potential seizure medication once other meds had been used. However, Ketamine may also cause seizures.</li> <li>5. There was discussion as to whether to use a patient's name and DOB for STEMIs and Strokes. Those committees are developing policies in order to put the patient information over the core.</li> <li>6. Addressed issues within the protocol mainly to provide uniformity/consistency in how they were written (albuterol, Atrovent and epi.) There is discussion on separating out peds from the adult section to lessen confusion in pharmacology/medication dosages, shocking for arrhythmias, etc. The committee is looking for ways to easily differentiate peds from adults in order to make it easier for the field providers.</li> <li>7. Next Meeting –</li> <li>d. Clinical Program Committees (Stroke, STEMI, Trauma) – J. Bendit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Trauma Committee – J. Bendit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reviewing Trauma Plan and permissive hypertension. Hope to have protocol ready to submit to the PPP</li> <li>2. Following the under-triage reporting rate – issue with Image Trend in obtaining the information because this is often just in the narrative mainly the provider impression. (Issue is with why there isn't immediate transport – may be the need to stabilize first.). The state reporting doesn't take this into account so the numbers don't reflect this (not as big of a percentage as what the state shows).</li> <li>3. Next Meeting –</li> </ul> </li> <li>ii. Stroke Committee – J. Bendit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Stroke plan was updated – not many changes.</li> <li>2. There is discussion to have the Stroke committee to look at increase the travel/transport time to a stroke center up to 30 minutes rather than the 15 minutes because of better patient outcomes due to interventions from the neurologists. (This especially applies to patients with scores over 5) AHA guidelines has the 15 minutes but the neurologists may have additional input based on data.</li> <li>3. Next Meeting – July 9</li> </ul> </li> <li>iii. STEMI Committee- J. Bendit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Next Meeting –</li> </ul> </li> <li>iv. Behavioral Health Committee- A. Ashe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Next Meeting –</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>e. EMS Operations – J. Bendit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Steve Pincus will be facilitating the meetings.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Bring travel time up in stroke committee</p>	<p>J. Bendit</p>

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	<p>2. Supply chains for COVID PPE have improved. PEMS has emergency supplies for agencies.</p> <p>3. Next Meeting – July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 pm</p>		
PEMS Updates	Jeff Bendit is moving to Florida. PEMS looking to hire for his position.		
Old Business	No old business		
New Business	<p>S. Craig – Dr. Lawson thanked the Task Force</p> <p><b>Motion by: Louka    Second by Dr. Justis</b> to transition the COVID protocols to generalize them for Pandemic protocols and to suspend the taskforce not dissolve it so it can be reactivated if there is a second wave of COVID.</p> <p>Discussion pertaining to this and what was currently in the tiered response protocol took place.</p> <p>A. Louka brought up the issue of Provider Initiated Refusal to Transport due to the COVID-19. MAC may add that to the PEMS COVID-19 Guidance Documents.</p>		
For the Good of the Order	<p>For the Good of the Order</p> <p>Dr. Lawson is stepping down at the end of June. PEMS is recruiting for her replacement. Need to send a letter of interest to Ch. Player by June 15<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Jason Sweet to send JCC Protocols to Seth so that the PPP can take a look at them and potentially incorporate them into PEMS Protocols.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Important Dates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. PEMS OMD Application due June 15<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>ii. EMS Regional Awards due June 22<sup>nd</sup>.</li> <li>iii. Next MAC Meeting September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 10:00 am</li> <li>iv. Joint MAC Meeting December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 08:00 OMD update, TEMS/PEMS, PEMS is hosting this year.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Attendance verified.</li> </ul>		
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.		