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PEMS Medical Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

Meeting Date: 12-08-2022

Meeting Location: Virtual-MS Teams
and in Person

Chaired By: L. Dodd

Begin Time: 1:34 pm

End Time: 3:02 pm

Minutes Submitted By: S. Craig

Draft Approved Date: 03-09-2023

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Apostoles, MD, Steve	Baker, MD, Chris	Ashe, Amy	Glover, Julia (PEMS President)
Dodd, DO, Lisa (Chair)	Bass, MD, Gregory	Craig, Seth	Gregg, Chad (OEMS)
Erwin, MD, Eleanor (Vice-Chair)	Clarke, DO, Clarence	Pincus, Stephen	
Jackson, MD, Cara Marie	Clifford, MD, Christianne	Player, Michael	
Justis, MD, David	Dhindsa MD, Harinder		
Lawson, MD, Cheryl	Dudley, DO, James		
Louka, Amir (TC)	Dunn, MD, Chad		
	Fish, Jr, MD, James		
	Garrison MD, Jason		
	Gray MD, Bryant		
	Gupta, MD, Sudershan		
	Haas, MD, Christopher		
	Harper, Kimberly		
	James, MD, Christopher		
	Jennings, MD, Torino		
	McCorry, DO, James		
	Nicholson, Ben		
	Prata, Tony		
	Sledge, Tyler		
	Sutherland, MD, Paul		
	Sweet, Jason		
	Termeer, Jennifer		
	Weber MD, Brent		
	Williams, Cynthia		

Item	Discussion	Action Required	By Whom/When
1. Call to Order	Meeting Called to Order at 1:34 pm by L. Dodd the meeting was virtual. Attendance was recorded and confirmed as above.		
2. MAC Membership Changes	The PEMS Pharmacy Committee has requested that Tyler Sledge be replaced by Tanya Claiborne as the representative at the MAC. C. Jackson made a motion to accept the replacement. Motion seconded by C. Lawson. Motion approved unanimously.	Replace T. Sledge with T. Claiborne on the roster.	S. Pincus/K. Brophy
4. Approval of Minutes	A. Louka made a motion to approve the Minutes from the September 8 th , 2022 regular MAC meeting. D. Justis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.	Change minutes from draft to final.	S Craig/3-9-23
5. Regional MD Report	<p>A. Louka reported that the PEMS Pediatric Committee has finished new Pediatric Care Protocols that will be presented tonight. A. Louka commended the PCC and other Governor’s Award Recipients from the PEMS Region.</p> <p>The rural OMD AEMT workgroup has provided its discussion and advocating to increase the regional scope of practice of the AEMT.</p> <p>The blood program is active at James City County. Within the first 16 hours there was a trauma code who received blood in the field.</p>		
6. Committee Reports	<p>Committee Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Pharmacy Committee – S. Craig <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Pharmacy Committee has requested a reduction in the number of D10 bags in the PEMS Med Box. Will be presented for a vote today. • Next Meeting – February 2nd, 2023 at 3:00 pm b. Performance Improvement Committee – D. Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee has been reviewing STEMI and stroke data • New RACE laminated sheets have been created and are being distributed to agencies in the PEMS Region. • A. Louka asked if RACE is really effect on identifying large vessel occlusions (LVOs). Should we look at a different screening tool such as VAN? He proposed that the PIC or Stroke Committee investigate the data. • Next Meeting- December 8th, 2022 at 3:00 pm c. PPP Committee – David Justis, MD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D. Justis reported that the PPP has been very active and is grateful for the input by physicians and providers, in addition to the work of the Committee Members • Next Meeting – January 11th, 2023 at 10:00 am d. Pediatric Care Committee- A. Louka <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee finished Neonatal Resuscitation, Sepsis, Behavioral Emergencies, and Crush protocols for vote by MAC • A VCU NICU Transport physician has been providing NRP for EMS providers in the area. 	Produce a retroactive study of effectiveness of RACE in PEMS	PIC and/or Stroke Committee 3-9-23

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Meeting- January 18th, 2023 at 11:00 am e. Clinical Program Task Forces (Stroke, STEMI, Trauma) – D. Thomas – see report under PI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trauma Committee – D. Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Meeting – December 8th, 2022 at 1:00 pm • Stroke Committee – D. Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Meeting –January 12th, 2023 at 1:00 pm • STEMI Committee- D. Thomas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A. Louka discussed the time from patient contact to acquisition of a 12 Lead. PEMS average is around 10 minutes which is the national standard. However, PEMS protocol states within 5 minutes. He recommended having the STEMI Committee reevaluate this protocol as 5 minutes is not always reasonable. • Next Meeting – February 9th, 2023 at 1:00 pm • EMS Operations – S. Pincus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C. Gregg discussed CSRs for storing Schedule VI items • C. Gregg also mentioned that the Extraordinary measures do not allow an EMS provider to exceed the State scope of practice • Next Meeting – January 17th, 2023 at 2:00 pm f. PICO- T. Veach- S. Pincus for T. Veach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request to remove one D10 from Med Box (leaving 1 bag) • Next Meeting- October 12th, 2022 at 3:00 pm g. Educational Programs- S. Pincus for J. King <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEMS Instructor Network was well attended last week. • Joann is available to assist with developing training programs, etc • Helped an agency work with a provider to pass class. 	Review 5 minute requirement for 12 lead acquisition	STEMI Committee
7. PEMS Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Deliverables are up to date b. PEMS Governor’s EMS Awards Nominees did very well 		
8. Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. S. Craig reported that the Workgroup finished its discussion and proposed the addition of epinephrine in cardiac arrest, fentanyl and morphine for pain management, and nebulized ephinephrine. L. Dodd made a motion to add these practices to the PEMS AEMT Scope of Practice. A. Louka asked to amend the motion to add [MC] to these practices. L. Dodd amended the motion. Motion was seconded by A. Louka. Motion passed unanimously. b. A proposal was made to increase the ODT Zofran dosage for Nausea/Vomiting from 4 mg to an initial dose of 8 mg. After discussion, no motion was made. c. The PPP made a recommendation to add Atrovent with Albuterol for allergic reactions. C. Lawson made a motion to accept the recommendation. D. Justis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. d. Neonatal Resuscitation Protocol- vote postponed until reviewed e. Pediatric Behavioral Emergencies Protocol- vote postponed until reviewed f. Pediatric Sepsis Protocol- vote postponed until reviewed g. Pediatric Hypotension Protocol- vote postponed until reviewed 	<p>Update PEMS 2023 Protocols</p> <p>Update PEMS 2023 Protocols</p> <p>Send to MAC/Vote</p>	<p>Protocol Work Group</p> <p>Protocol Work Group</p> <p>S. Craig</p>

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	<p>h. The Pediatric Care Committee asked the MAC to consider standardizing the saline dose across all applicable pediatric protocols to read: Administer 0.9% Sodium Chloride 20 mL/kg IV/IO. Repeat as needed to maintain adequate perfusion, up to 60 mL/kg total. Reassess vitals, lung sounds and work of breathing before each bolus.” L. Dodd made a motion to accept the recommendation by the PCC. C. Jackson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.</p> <p>i. The PPP made a recommendation to add the right side/15 L ECG back into the protocols. D. Justis made a motion to accept the protocol and L. Dodd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.</p> <p>j. The PPP made a recommendation to remove the Exceptional Protocol. A. Louka made a motion to remove the current protocol until it can be rewritten to clearly explain that the State Formulary and State Scope of practice is the “ceiling” for EMS providers. L. Dodd seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.</p> <p>k. The PEMS Pharmacy Committee recommended that the one of the bags of D10 be removed from the PEMS Medication Box. Prior to this meeting, the PPP investigate the frequency of both bags of D10 used on a call. There were no incidents found. D. Justis made a motion to accept the recommendation from the PEMS Pharmacy Committee. L. Dodd seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.</p> <p>l. S. Craig notified the MAC that the Infant Abandonment Protocol was going to be updated to reflect new legal codes. This was an administrative change and no vote was necessary.</p> <p>m. The PEMS Medication Exchange Programs will be added to the PEMS Protocol App as a reference document per the request of the Pharmacy Committee. No vote was necessary.</p> <p>n. Handtevy Update- S. Craig reported that each agency who wants to use the app must sign an individual agreement with the company. PEMS is working on a regional template.</p>	<p>Update PEMS 2023 Protocols</p> <p>Update PEMS 2023 Protocols</p> <p>Remove the Exceptional Protocol</p> <p>Notify PEMS Pharmacy Committee</p>	<p>Protocol Work Group</p> <p>Protocol Work Group</p> <p>Protocol Work Group</p> <p>T. Veach</p>
9. New Business	<p>a. A. Louka reported that the current scope of practice allows EMS Providers to titrate CPAP instead of a fixed pressure with training and if available. L. Dodd made a motion to change the verbiage to “increase or titrate.” D. Justis seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.</p> <p>b. A. Louka made a motion to combine the PEMS “Heat Exposure/Exhaustion” protocol with the “Heat Stroke/Hyperthermia” Protocol since they are identical. L. Dodd seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.</p>	Update PEMS 2023 Protocols	Protocol Work Group
For the Good of the Order	Important Dates Next regularly scheduled MAC Meeting is March 9 th , 2023 at 7:00 pm in person at PEMS and virtual.		
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 3:02 pm.		