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**PEMS Protocols, Policies and Procedures Committee Meeting Minutes**

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

**Meeting Date:** 09-09-20

**Meeting Location**

Online- Go To Meeting

**Chaired By:** D. Justis

**Begin Time:** 10:07 am

**End Time:** 10:40 am

**Minutes Submitted By:** S. Craig

**Draft: Approved Date:** 10-14-20

| <b>Members Present:</b> | <b>Members Absent:</b> | <b>Staff:</b>        | <b>Others:</b> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Balog, Tony (TC)        | Crittenden, Eileen     | Craig, Seth (TC)     | Masten, Jim    |
| Beam, Brad (TC)         | Davenport, John        | Pincus, Stephen (TC) | Louka, Amir    |
| Blake, Gregory (TC)     | Hall, Kevin            |                      |                |
| Caroll, Kevin (TC)      | Klink, Shannon         |                      |                |
| Doak, Melissa (TC)      | Manning, Amy           |                      |                |
| Haigh, Mary (TC)        | McCoig, Janet          |                      |                |
| Houde, Paul (TC)        | Musey, John            |                      |                |
| Judkins, Chris (TC)     | Sausy, Juliette        |                      |                |
| Justis, David (C) (TC)  | Smith, Caroline        |                      |                |
| Wright, Mark (TC)       | Tate, Michael          |                      |                |
|                         | Vest, Ellen            |                      |                |

| <b>Item</b>   | <b>Discussion</b>   | <b>Action Required</b> | <b>By Whom/When</b> |
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| Call to Order | Meeting called to order at 10:03 a.m. by D. Justis.   |                        |                     |
| Introductions | Attendance as recorded above. Introductions made online, due to COVID-19 meeting was only offered via teleconference. |                        |                     |

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| Approval of Minutes | M. Doak made a motion to approve the minutes from 08-12-20. B. Beam seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.   |  |   |
| Membership Changes  | B. Beam made a motion to add Jim Masten from NNFD, move K. Caroll to member at large, and remove Craig Rice (per his request). M. Doak seconded the motion. Changes were approved unanimously. S. Craig will contact Gary Samuels to see if he would be available and willing to attend PPP meetings as a hospital representative.  | Make changes to roster   | S. Pincus/<br>10/14/20  |
| Staff Report        | PPP is on track to meet Contract Deliverables regarding Policies, Protocols, and Procedures.  |  |   |
| Old Business        | <p>The PPP formed a subcommittee to begin investigating the proposal to examine and update the PEMS Protocol organization. Members appointed were T. Balog, B. Beam, M. Doak, C. Judkins, A. Louka, and S. Craig. Other interested members can contact S. Craig to be added. M. Doak offered YCFLS building to meet. Today, the group agreed to address the PEMS Sepsis protocol as well as Mag Sulfate admin in Ped Resp Distress.</p> <p>Last month, M. Doak made a motion seconded by D. Justis to propose to the MAC a shorter protocol turn-around time (twice a year instead of once a year). The Committee discussed the importance of protocol training/support during roll-outs and consideration of those agencies who still print copies of protocols. The motion was approved unanimously.</p> <p>Due to the very short half-life of Ativan causing significant medication wastage and excessive burden on pharmacies and EMS personnel regarding PEMS Medication Box exchanges, the PPP Committee voted to list Versed as the primary medication in respective protocols and change the protocols to read “if Versed is not available, administer Ativan” and include the dosing.</p> <p>General-Trauma, General-Hemorrhage Control, Injury-Crush, and Injury-Burn protocol changes developed by the PEMS Trauma Committee were presented to the PPP. All protocols changes were approved. M. Doak emphasized the importance of training on Permissive Hypotension when the protocols are released.</p> <p>General-Universal Care Protocol was approved with the change to “consider obtaining blood glucose level and temperature.”</p> <p>OB/GYN-Eclampsia was modified to allow for Versed first if Mag Sulfate is not readily available.</p> <p>Medical-Seizure protocol was changed to increase the dosage of Versed from 2 mg to 5 mg IV/IO/IN, and 10 mg IM. C. Judkins made a motion seconded by T. Balog to change all Versed dosages to be uniform. Motion was approved unanimously.</p> | <p>Meet to review/discuss</p> <p>Present proposal to MAC</p> <p>Update protocols and distribute to PPP for final review/comment/approval</p> | <p>9/29/20</p> <p>D. Justis/9-17-20</p> <p>S. Craig/9-09-20</p> |
| New Business        | <p>PPP discussed the administration of Norepi over dopamine. PPP voted to move Norepi to the top of the protocols, followed by epinephrine, and leave dopamine in case of shortages in norepi and/or epi. In addition, it was voted to remove references to target systolic blood pressure and leave just target Mean Arterial Pressure (MAP).</p> <p>M. Doak presented the administration of pressors to sepsis patients refractory to fluid bolus. PPP voted to give it to the subcommittee for further investigation.</p>  | <p>Subcommittee to meet</p> <p>Subcommittee to meet</p>  | <p>09-29-20</p> <p>09-29-20</p>                                 |

