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PEMS Protocols, Policies and Procedures Committee Meeting Minutes

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

Meeting Date: 08-10-2022

Meeting Location Virtual Meeting

PEMS – MS Teams

Chaired By: Dr. Justis

Begin Time: 10:01 a.m.

End Time: 11:15 a.m.

Minutes Submitted By: Seth Craig

Draft: Approved Date: 09-14-22

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Davenport, John (TC)	Balog, Tony	Craig, Seth (TC)	Bingham, Samuel (Lancaster Co ES)
Justis M.D., David L (C) (TC)	Beam, Bradley	Pincus, Stephen (TC)	
Samuels, Gary (TC)	Blake, Gregory		
Vest, Ellen (TC)	Carroll, Kevin		
	Doak, Melissa		
	Haigh, Mary		
	Houde, Paul		
	Masten, Jim		
	Musey, John		
	Nicholson M.D., Ben		
	Williams, Shannon		

Item	Discussion	Action Required	By Whom/When
1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am by D. Justis		
2. Introductions	Introductions were made and recorded.		
3. Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by M. Doak to approve the minutes from July 13 th , 2022 as submitted. G. Samuels provided the second. There was no discussion regarding the minutes. Motion to approve carried unanimously.	Change draft minutes to final	Seth Craig

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4. Membership Changes	None		
5. Staff Report	<p>Once the video camera is operational in the small meeting room, PEMS Committee meetings plan to be hosted in person and virtually through MS Teams.</p> <p>Under direction of VA OEMS, PEMS website will have changes to include removing staff pictures, direct emails and phone numbers due to increase cyber risks.</p> <p>Meetings will each have a unique link every time, and will not be posted on the website calendar. Committee members will automatically receive the links, guests must request the link via email. Everyone will enter the waiting room.</p>		
6. Old Business	No old business.		
7. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. M. Doak requested a review of the Patient Refusal of Treatment Protocol. There is language in the re-written protocol that may cause some confusion for EMS providers when on scene. S. Craig has put the documents in the PPP MSTeams folder along with M. Doak's notes. Please review/make comments. b. Physician on Scene- need to review protocols regarding "contacting medical control" when a physician is on scene. c. A protocol review request was submitted regarding the removal of the 15 Lead/Right-sided ECG. It was requested to be put back in. d. Infant Abandonment- Administrative Change based on change in VA Code e. It was recommended to review protocols and add the recommendation of EtCO2 monitoring in any reference to sedation. Add verbiage provider "should monitor EtCO2) f. M. Player asked the PPP to consider Regional RSI protocol. There are 4 different protocols: Williamsburg/YCFLS, JCC, Hampton FD, and NNFD. It was determined not to pursue it at this time. g. M. Player asked the PPP to review Tranexamic Acid (TXA) in the Region. Prior to the meeting, S. Craig, D. Justis, and Dr. D. Munn communicated via emails. At this time, TXA would not benefit patients within the PEMS region for several reasons, including local hospitals in ability to continue the treatment. h. A PEMS Protocol Review Request was submitted regarding the format/layout of the Behavioral Emergencies Protocol. A provider did not see the "follow previous guidance" line of the Severe agitation protocol and did not administer Versed first. There were no patient care issues noted. It was determined that no action was needed at this time. The Anaphylaxis Protocol says "in addition to above" in the section header instead of the protocol section. PPP will review and comment. 	<p>Review Document and comment</p> <p>Review Documents Present at Sept MAC Update Draft in folder</p> <p>Review Document and comment</p>	<p>PPP 9-14-22</p> <p>PPP 9-14-22</p> <p>S Craig & D Justis /9-15-22 S Craig/9-14-22 S Craig/9-14-22</p> <p>PPP 9-14-22</p>
8. Good of the Order	a. The next PPP meeting will be Wednesday September 14 th , 2022 at 10:00 am		
9. Verify Attendance	Attendance was verified.		
10. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.		