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

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

**Meeting Date: 03-08-2023**

**Meeting Location Virtual Meeting & in Person**

**PEMS – MS Teams**

**Chaired By: Dr. Justis**

**Begin Time: 10:05 a.m.**

**End Time: 11:00 a.m.**

**Minutes Submitted By: Seth Craig**

**Draft: Approved Date: 4-12-23**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Members Absent:</b>	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>Others:</b>
Balog, Tony (TC)	Carroll, Kevin	Craig, Seth	Louka, Amir (TC)
Claiborne, Tanya (TC)	Crowson, Doug		
Davenport, John (TC)	Haigh, Mary		
Doak, Melissa	Houde, Paul		
Justis M.D., David L (C)	Musey, John		
Samuels, Gary (TC)	Nicholson M.D., Ben		
Vest, Ellen	Williams, Shannon		

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action Required</b>	<b>By Whom/When</b>
1. Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by D. Justis		
2. Introductions	Introductions were made and recorded.		
3. Approval of Minutes	Motion was made by A. Louka to approve the minutes from February 8, 2023 as submitted. T. Balog provided the second. There was no discussion regarding the minutes. Motion to approve carried unanimously.	Change draft minutes to final	S. Craig
4. Membership Changes	Tony Balog must be changed from Gloucester to Navy Fire. K. Brophy has reviewed the roster and there is a need for 2 HEMS Reps on the PPP Committee.	Update roster Look for new members	K. Brophy/4-12-23 PPP Committee
5. Staff Report	S. Craig reported that the March 2023 Protocol documents have been completed and are available to agencies in preparation for the rollout. There are slides and a video for training. AcidRemap, the app vendor has the updated the mobile app. The protocol tests have been completed and sent out to PEMS OMDs with Protocol Test Requests on file on March 3, 2023.		

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6. Old Business	<p>a. Protocol Review Request- Post ROSC Care, V-Fib, Pulseless V-tach and Amiodarone- The discussion from last month will be presented to MAC on 3/09/23.</p> <p>b. S. Craig revised the <i>Transportation &amp; Destination Determination</i> Protocol as discussed at the January PPP meeting. In January, the Committee agreed that a free-standing ED can be an appropriate destination in PEMS and that destinations should not only be a “hospital.” In addition, the Committee agreed to revise the protocol to remove the word “hospital” and add an additional line 5 to state “if locally approved alternate destinations may be established such as urgent cares or physician offices.” It was emailed to the Committee and put into MS Teams, but not many people reviewed it. Discussion tabled until next month.</p> <p>c. Whole Blood Protocols- will be shared with the MAC on 3/09/23. A. Louka shared a recent JCC case where the patient received blood in the prehospital setting after being shot several times. By the time he arrived at the ED he was alert and coherent.</p>	<p>Present Destination Determination Protocol to MAC</p> <p>Offer Guidelines to MAC</p>	<p>PPP/3-09-23</p> <p>A. Louka/3-09-23</p>
7. New Business	<p>a. Protocol Review Request- Transcutaneous Pacing; Adult Bradycardia. The Committee voted to set the pacing at 70 across the protocols.</p> <p>b. Protocol Review Request- Allergic Reaction- currently does not allow EMT to administer Albuterol and Atrovent. Committee voted to change protocol to allow EMT to administer A/A for wheezing due to allergic reaction</p> <p>c. Protocol Review Request- a request was asked to exam the fluid bolus amount and consider increasing from 20 ml/kg to 30 ml/kg to reflect national standards. Committee did not vote to change, but keep bolus uniform across the protocol due to simplicity in uniformity and concern about excessive fluid administration in CHF, pulmonary edema, etc.</p> <p>d. Titles for Adult Behavioral Emergency Protocol and Pediatric Behavioral Emergency protocol to not match.</p> <p>e. Protocol Review Request- indicated that IN administration of versed was omitted. Submitter was informed that it was intentionally removed due to the unpredictable bioavailability as reflected in a previous study.</p> <p>f. A. Louka asked about removing the [I] for peripheral vasopressors. Committee agreed, especially in light of no new EMT-Intermediates are being created, so those in the field have several years of experience, more than a first year paramedic.</p> <p>g. Pediatric Post Intubation Protocol is missing. A. Louka offered to create one for review.</p>	<p>Present to MAC for approval Create draft</p> <p>Change title to match</p> <p>Present to MAC for approval Create pediatric post intubation protocol</p>	<p>D. Justis/3-09-23</p> <p>S. Craig/4-12-23</p> <p>S. Craig/4-12/23</p> <p>D. Justis/3-09-23</p> <p>A. Louka/4-12-23</p>
8. Good of the Order	a. Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 at 10:00 am.		
9. Verify Attendance	Attendance was verified.		
10. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.		