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**PEMS ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction Committee Meeting Minutes**

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

**Meeting Date:** 8-12-21

**Meeting Location:** Big Blue Button

**Chaired By:** G. Samuels

**Begin Time:** 1:00 p.m.

**End Time:** 1:40 p.m.

**Minutes Submitted By:** D. Thomas

**Draft: Approved Date:** 11-18-21

| <b>Members Present:</b> | <b>Members Absent:</b> | <b>Staff:</b>   | <b>Others:</b>                           |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Davenport, John         | Baker, Tara            | Pincus, Stephen | Feliciano, Alexander (Hampton Fire Dept) |
| Dhindsa, MD, Harinder   | Baylous, Denise        | Thomas, Debbie  | Nicholson, MD Ben (VCU-Lancaster OMD)    |
| Gossage, O'Brien        | Beck, Craig            |                 |  |
| Houde, Paul             | Bonniville, Fran       |                 |  |
| Morris, Theresa         | Carneal, Sue Ann       |                 |  |
| Neiman, Greg            | Catlett, MD, Shelby    |                 |  |
| Samuels, Gary           | Dail, Theresa          |                 |  |
| Smith, Matthew          | Doak, Melissa          |                 |  |
| Termeer, MD, Jennifer   | Gossip, Michelle       |                 |  |
| Wyatt, Emily            | Gupta, Sudershan       |                 |  |
|                         | Harper, Kim (C)        |                 |  |
|                         | Kontos, Michael        |                 |  |
|                         | Makula, Kristie        |                 |  |
|                         | Martin, Shannon        |                 |  |
|                         | McClain, Scott         |                 |  |
|                         | McQuistian, Amanda     |                 |  |
|                         | Packett, Lauren        |                 |  |
|                         | Prata, Anthony         |                 |  |
|                         | Rawas, Bashir          |                 |  |
|                         | Smithers, Tabitha      |                 |  |
|                         | Walker, Ed             |                 |  |
|                         | Weissman, Conner (NV)  |                 |  |
|                         | Williams, Shannon      |                 |  |

| Item                | Discussion  | Action Required                            | By Whom/When          |
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| Call to Order       | Meeting called to order at 13:00 hours by Gary Samuels who is filling in as chair for Kim Harper.   |  |                       |
| Introductions       | Members attending meeting are as recorded above.  |  |                       |
| Approval of Minutes | Minutes from last meeting on 5-13-21 brought for approval. Motion by Jennifer Termeer. Second by Paul Houde. Minutes approved without changes.  |  |                       |
| Membership Changes: | <p><b>ADD:</b> Benjamin “Cody” Main (LifeEvac as Primary)</p> <p><b>ADD:</b> Bashir Rawas, MD – BSHSI Hampton Roads Division of Cardiology Service Line</p> <p><b>REMOVE:</b> Elaine Hudgins (per Gary Samuels) – No objections from members.</p> <p><b>REMOVE:</b> David Trueman (LifeEvac Alternate)</p> <p><b>Noted Vacancies on the Committee:</b> Volunteer EMS Provider (1) Northern Neck (1) Middle Peninsula Virginia Heart Attack Coalition Representative</p> <p>(D. Thomas notes that Dr. Kontos with VCU is a VHAC representative, but she is also trying to get someone from the Eastern Virginia VHAC to join)</p> <p>Motion to approve minutes by G. Neiman, seconded by P. Houde. No objections. Membership approved.</p>   |  |                       |
| Staff Report        | <p>Report made by D. Thomas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*PEMS IT Specialist, Greg Bever has been working with hospitals and agencies to help get access or improve connectivity issues.</li> <li>*Directs everyone to the PEMS website for a list of the Regional EMS Award Winners, all of who will be submitted as nominees for the Governor’s EMS Awards.</li> <li>*PEMS 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter FY2020-2021 contract deliverables were sent to VAOEMS by June 30, 2021.</li> <li>*PEMS 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY2021-2022 contract deliverables are due to VAOEMS by September 30, 2021.</li> <li>*Asks all members to make note of November meeting change from Nov.11<sup>th</sup> to Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>   | Note meeting date change for November 2021 | All Committee Members |
| Old Business        | <p>Discussion about Big Blue Button progress. G. Samuels reports that BSHSI is still a work in progress, but that G. Bever has been very helpful. RRMCM now seems to have good access, but P. Houde from Hampton Fire Dept. states they do not have access. D. Thomas notes that anyone with issues should contact PEMS IT Specialist G. Bever, if they have not done so already. This is a work in progress and PEMS wants this platform to work, but if we cannot make that happen, we are also looking at other options.</p> <p>Discussion about the VAOEMS transition from ImageTrend to ESO. G. Samuels reports that hospitals are now starting to see more reports filtering in, especially from those who are still using ImageTrend as their reporting software. He also reports that the Governor’s Advisory Board voted to forward a proposal to fully fund every hospital system in VA with full ESO access. It is expected that this will happen. He also notes that for ESO issues/integration, Kim Jones is the representative with VAOEMS. G. Neiman, states that VCU is also starting see more of the data from ImageTrend agencies starting to come through.</p> |  |                       |
| New Business        | D. Thomas states she only received a couple hospital data reports. There are also, not enough reports from PEMS agencies in ESO system, but she is still getting data from agencies who are <b>not</b> part of the PEMS region. She is working with an ESO specialist to remove all the agencies we do not want/need access. It’s still a work in progress, and she does not expect to have fully reliable data for any of the committees until the transition of EHRs from ImageTrend has been ironed out, but that she too, was seeing more EHRs from our large agencies starting to come in through ESO, and most of these are still committed to ImageTrend, so that’s good news.   |  |                       |

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| New Business (con't) | O. Gossage asks that agency representatives please reinforce with your staff the need to be getting and reporting <b>Patient Name &amp; DOB</b> to the hospital when calling in a cardiac emergency or STEMI. Wants to know if we can track that info somehow to determine the compliance rate.   | Stress need to capture AND report STEMI patient's Name & DOB to facilities. | All Committee Members.<br><br>D. Thomas check to see if we can track compliance. |
| Good of the Order    | <p>Case Reports:</p> <p>G. Neiman (VCU) shares a victory, and gives huge kudos to <b>Westmoreland Rescue Squad</b> for a true cardiac arrest save. He shares a photo of the crew and the patient who was discharged from the hospital.</p> <p>D. Thomas mentions to Matt Smith of <b>Lancaster County EMS</b> how impressed she was with some of the excellent documentation/narratives his providers were writing.</p> <p>G. Samuels shared an important announcement with regard to BSHSI Mary Immaculate Hospital and their cardiac cath lab status. Effective at 5:00 p.m. on August 13, 2021 the STEMI program at MIH will be paused, and will be diverting any STEMI's until further notice.</p> <p>Virginia EMS Symposium registration is now open. Symposium scheduled for November 3-7 2021 in Norfolk, VA. The registration portal is open until 10/1/21.</p> |   |  |
| Adjournment          | D. Thomas verifies all attendees. P. Houde makes a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.  |   |  |