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### PEMS Stroke Committee Meeting Minutes

A PEMS Council Standing Committee

**Meeting Date:** 4-14-22

**Meeting Location:**

PEMS – Teleconference/Microsoft Teams

**Chaired By:** D. Thomas for D. Gibler

**Begin Time:** 1:06 pm

**End Time:** 1:45 pm

**Minutes Submitted By:** D. Thomas

**Draft: Approved Date: 7-14-22**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Members Absent:</b>	<b>Staff:</b>	<b>Others:</b>
Bonniville, Frances	Baker, Tara	Thomas, Debbie	
Brown, Heather	Baylous, Denise	Louka, Amir	
Davenport, John	Doak, Melissa		
Duck, Nicole (new-added today)	Fibish, Sue		
Duryea, Kristie	Gibler, Dana (C)		
Gossage, O'Brien	Houde, Paul		
Jensen, Matthew (new-added today)	Jenkins, Kacey (new-added today)		
Mitchell, Cathryn	Main, Benjamin "Cody" (removing today)		
Samuels, Gary	McClain, Scott		
Singalewitch, Susan	Middaugh, Bradley		
Szvetecz, Tiffany	Mode, Katelyn		
	Neiman, Greg		
	Packett, Lauren		
	Prata, Anthony		
	Quinerly, Nikosha		
	Ramakrishnan, Pankajavalli		
	Smith, Matthew		
	Stevens, Stacie		
	Tomlin, Tommy		
	Warren, Kim		
	Williams, Shannon		

Item	Discussion	Action Required	By Whom/When
Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 1:06 p.m. by D. Thomas. Will chair the meeting today as D. Gibler had a family emergency.		
Introductions	All members/guests introduced online and recorded as above.		
Minutes	G. Samuels makes a motion we accept the minutes from January 13, 2022 meeting with corrections to spelling of S. Singalewitch's last name. O. Gossage seconds the motion. Vote = No one opposed. Minutes are approved.		
Membership Changes	ADD: Kacey Jenkins - LifeEvac ADD: Matthew Jensen – LifeEvac ADD: Nicole Duck - RRMCM REMOVE: Benjamin “Cody” Main – LifeEvac REMOVE: Tabitha Smithers - LifeEvac G. Samuels makes a motion that we accept the membership changes as above. S. Singalewitch seconds the motion. Vote = None opposed. Membership changes approved.	Update membership roster	D. Thomas 04-14-22
Staff Report	<p>D. Thomas reports that the deadline for nominations for the PEMS Regional EMS Awards is tomorrow. G. Samuels states that M. Player emailed that the deadline has been extended until next Friday, April 22, 2022. D. Thomas wasn't aware of that. Deadline change noted. D. Thomas states she will send out the link for the awards via email since some people didn't see it via Teams. She also reports that our annual EMS Day at Busch Gardens will be held on Saturday, May 21, 2022 and that fliers/posters will be heading to hospitals and agencies soon, with info on how to procure tickets.</p> <p>D. Thomas presents EMS Stroke Data for the quarter January 1 – March 31, 2022. She looked to see how our RACE score compliance was (90%) and our compliance with obtaining a Blood Glucose Level on every suspected stroke patient (93%) D. Thomas states she investigated the outliers to try to determine why they had not met these protocol requirements. She explored all outliers and found that some appear to have been documentation issues in the EHR. Believes the BGL is pretty well accurate, but has no confidence in the accuracy of the RACE compliance. She found that some of the “good” reports randomly selected showed that RACE was either not done or was documented as another stroke scale – like Cincinatti or FAST. D. Thomas will be attending a weeklong education conference with ESO in Texas next week and hopes to have some insight into how we can create a report that accurately reflects what is happening in the field. She states that there may need to be a region-wide virtual training to be sure all providers understand exactly how they need to input the data to insure its picked up.</p> <p>Dr. Louka states he would like more clarity into the demographics surrounding the outliers. Where they are coming from (same agencies, same providers, etc.) and would like for D. Thomas to send this information to the applicable medical directors for insurance that they address it with their agencies. She states that she will do this after the ESO conference with the hope that the data can be more accurate in the future.</p>	Place report on the Stroke Committee MS Teams site files.	D. Thomas 4-15-22
Hospital Reports	<p><b>RWR</b> – F. Bonnaville reported on their numbers. 33 Stroke Alerts for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of CY2021 (first quarter not available). 19 arriving by EMS. 10/19 had RACE scores reported and one had a RACE of 5. Of the EMS calls 3/19 received tPA and 2/19 were sent out for intervention. She notes they had 3 missing run reports.</p> <p><b>SWRMC</b> – T. Sztvecz reported for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022 – 25 Stroke Alerts. 18 arrived via EMS Ground. 8/18 reported RACE scores. They too, had some missing run reports. They had 1 with RACE of 5 but they gave</p>		

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	<p>TNK and kept at the facility. 12% of their stroke alerts got thrombolytics.</p> <p><b>RRMC</b> – O’Brien reports that RRMC Tele-Stroke initiative with Gloucester and Mathews goes live on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Initially, it will only take place between 7 pm – 7 am. They will be doing education with the EMS agencies. Reports that their Stroke Symposium will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The agenda has now been finalized and she will send to D. Thomas. Invites everyone to attend and asks that D. Thomas send out the information via email to this group. She reports that Riverside Health System has created a workgroup to begin the transition from Alteplase to TNK. She states that coordinators from Sentara have been helpful in sharing information on making the transition.</p> <p><b>SCH</b> – S. Singalewitch reports that they had been busy getting ready for their DNV Stroke Survey which occurred two weeks ago. Everything went very well and she thanks D. Thomas for joining their survey meeting virtually to report and answer questions on behalf of EMS in the region.</p> <p><b>BSHSI RGH</b> – K. Duryea reports that they too have just completed their JCAHO stroke survey and everything went really well for them too.</p> <p><b>RDH</b> – no report.</p> <p><b>BSHSI MIH</b>– G. Samuels reports that he will be sending out fliers soon with all of the information for activities BSHSI has planned for EMS Week: May 15-21, 2022.</p> <p><b>VCU/VCU Tappahannock</b> - Not in attendance</p> <p><b>LifeEvac</b> – M. Jensen states he doesn’t have a report as he is just getting the lay of the land. Asks D. Thomas to let him know what information we would like and he will do his best to get it for us.</p> <p><b>SNG &amp; Nightengale</b> – Not in attendance.</p>		
Old Business	Middle Peninsula Tele-Stroke Trial with Riverside. O’Brien states this project will go live on May 1 <sup>st</sup> . They are in the educational phase right now with Gloucester and Mathews Rescue Squads. They are very excited to finally get this project off the ground.		
New Business	O. Gossage asks if hospitals are noticing that EMS providers are giving them Patient Names and DOB for their Stroke patients and if they are, how is this impacting your practice...is it making things easier/reducing time? No responses. Asks that coordinators check with their ED staff to see if this is being done and report back.	Coordinators check w/ED staff re: Pt. demographics	Stroke Coord/Hospital Reps report at next meeting.
Good of the Order	<p><b>Virginia State Stroke Task Force Meeting: Friday, April 22, 2022</b> – Lynchburg &amp; Virtual. D. Thomas asks if anyone plans to attend. F. Bonnville, O. Gossage &amp; D. Gibler are going to try to attend virtually and will report out at next our next meeting. O. Gossage asks that everyone make a note that VSSTF has asked Riverside Health System to host the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter meeting – so it will be on <b>Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 at RRMC.</b></p> <p><b>Riverside’s 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Hampton Roads Trauma Symposium: Friday, April 22, 2022</b></p> <p><b>PEMS Annual EMS Day at Busch Gardens: Saturday, May 21, 2022</b></p> <p><b>Riverside 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Stroke Symposium: Friday, June 3, 2022</b></p>		
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for July 14, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. via MS Teams.		
Attendance	Attendance was verified as recorded above.		
Adjournment	Having no further business to discuss D. Thomas calls for motion to adjourn. Motion by F. Bonnville with the second provided by J. Davenport. None opposed. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.		