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Stroke Committee

April 19, 2017, 09:30am to 11:30am

Co-Chairs: Mary Morrissette, Johnston-Willis and Stacie Stevens, VCU

Members Present: Mike Harmon, Donna Doherty, Ashley Hansen, Stacie Stevens, Wayne Harbour, Danny Garrison, Allen Yee, Joanne Lapetina, Gary Samuels, Jane LaVerne, Blanton Marchese, Jeff Ferguson, Brad Taylor, Vikki Martin

Conference Line: Lisa Baber, Lori Harbour, Jeff McPhearson

ODEMSA Staff: Megan Young

Minutes Scribed by: Megan Young

Materials provided: Meeting Agenda, Reference Binder

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Stacie Stevens called the meeting to order at 09:40am. Introductions were made, and it was determined we had a quorum. The January meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.	Motion by: Mike Harmon to approve the January Minutes and the April Agenda Seconded by: Wayne Harbour Vote: Minutes and Agenda approved
Reports: CHS – SRMC HCA – CMC, JW HCA – JRMC	Vikki Martin – Their intracycle call went well from the joint commission. Donna Doherty – CJW had their DNV annual visit and it did very well, it did show a few areas of opportunity. Ashley Hansen – Last year it shows the hospital gave a total of eight tPAs while they have already given seven this year with the last three having been under sixty minutes. The last two given were at forty-seven minutes. John Randolph had made some	



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	<p>changes with telemedicine on how to access it without having to remote in. The free-standing (Tri Cities) is opening in sometime in June and they are not sure if it will be labeled acute stroke ready.</p>	
<p>VCU</p>	<p>Stacie Stevens – They just finished their joint commission comprehensive recertification and it went very well. They are certified comprehensive and finding that the documentation on neuro checks is not 100% so they are working on that. There is a VCU Stroke Symposium on May 12, 2017 on atypical strokes and Dr. Ferguson will be talking about trauma in stroke. It will be all day on a Friday in the Marriott Downtown.</p>	
<p>Bon Secours</p>	<p>Mike Harmon – All Bon Secours facilities are meeting the door to needle time at less than 60 minutes 50% of the time. There were 81 treated patients for one quarter and 8 coiling's between SMH and MRMC. Reperfusion rate as a system was 16% (SMH 18%, MRMC 15%, RCH 23%, SFMC 9%). There are two new neurologists starting in the summer, one new one starting on May 1st and another starting on August 1st. An Interviewing Process for a Neuroscience Program Coordinator for MRMC/RCH and SMH will be finished and filled by May 31st. RCH and MRMC had a successful intracycle call window for certification and opens in October while SMH is gearing up for their JC CSC intracycle call. Bon Secours is also currently enrolled in three cardiac/stroke research studies and two Alzheimer studies. There is a Jazz Up Your Health Event for the Community Collaboration on May 11th and the Trinity Life Center anticipates 400 persons from the community. The EMS expo held on March 4th and 5th was attended by seven hundred people enjoying the cadaver lab and the numerous educational sessions. Pat Lane will be speaking at the Stroke Boot Camp on April 28th and she also attended the International Stroke Conference, speaking on Cryptogenic Strokes. A EMS STAT video was released and distributed featuring Dr. Epps, Hanover Fire & EMS, and Henrico Division of Fire on stroke education, screening tools, and case scenarios. Pat Lane also attended the first AHA Cholesterol Summit on April 10th and 11th discussing and developing various strategies for reducing LDL <70. At the AHA "Get With The Guidelines" Stroke awards St. Mary's won "Gold" and Memorial Regional Medical Center received "Silver Elite".</p>	
<p>RAA</p>	<p>Wayne Harbour – No report.</p>	



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ODEMSA	Megan Young - The Spring 2017 RSAF Grant process is underway, with most grants having been graded and submitted. The Regional Awards ceremony and Picnic has been moved to May 20 th , a few days before EMS Week. This hopefully will help with attendance and interest. She advised everyone to please start thinking of nominees for the awards, the last day to nominate someone will be Friday.	
Old Business: "Get with the Guidelines" Stroke Data	The Virginia Department of Health has applied for a super user account. Since they are going to create this account and pay for it there would be no cost to the region to do a super user account to then collect the data or create reports. This discussion will be tabled until next meeting.	
New Business: Stroke Data Stroke Workgroup Update Stroke Transport to Free- Standing ERs	<p>This discussion will be tabled until the next meeting since John Dugan could not attend.</p> <p>Stacie presented a document from Mission Lifeline, The Severity-Based EMS Triage Algorithm to the committee to help with the decision of what to recommend for the stroke protocol to the MDC. After much discussion, an approved motion was to recommend the following points to the MDC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stroke screening tool with a LVO tool • Check glucose • A thrombolysis strategy and thrombectomy strategy • Consider transportation by helicopter when appropriate <p>Allen Yee brought up transporting strokes to free-standing emergency departments. They are listed in the stroke plan as acute stroke ready, because they are capable of giving tPA and have a CT scanner 24/7. Allen requested that we mandate patients be transported to only free-standing emergency departments that hold a stroke certification. He asked if a strategy should be made in which free-standing ERs have a two-year grace period to be certified. Stacie stated that Maryland now only transports patients to hospitals with the acute ready certification. After a discussion, it was decided to table this until the next meeting to give hospitals and free-standings some time to discuss this with their leadership.</p>	<p>Motion by: Allen Yee to approve the bullet points to the left for the stroke protocol recommendation to the MDC</p> <p>Seconded by: Joanne Lapetina</p> <p>Vote: Unanimously approved</p>



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EMS tPA Transfer Form	Donna Doherty had a survey review done and was asked about a portion of this form. The second bullet point under “Blood Pressure Management” where it says “Turn off pump and call receiving physician for further instructions”. She stated the review board was concerned that EMS providers would follow these bullet points in order and shut off the pump. After some discussion, it was decided that since there have been no negative outcomes from this form to leave it as is. There was no further business from the floor.	
Next Meeting	July 27, 2017 at 09:30am	
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 10:59am.	