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**Air Medical Committee**

August 11, 2015, 11:00am to 12:00pm  
 Chair: Greg Jones, Med-Flight I

**Members and guests present:** Greg Jones, Bert Bogue, Jay Lovelady, Al Thompson, Brad Taylor, Valeta Daniels, Mike Keefe-Thomas, Jane LaVerne, Will Aiken, Dusty Anderson, Jeff Ferguson, Jay Cullin

**Conference Line:** Shawn Rivard, Jessica Goodman, Lanny Jones, Josh Loyd, John Sayers

**ODEMSA Staff:** Rachel Dillon, Adam Alford, Heidi Hooker

**Minutes scribed by:** Rachel Dillon

**Materials provided:** Meeting agenda, previous meeting minutes, draft committee policies and procedures

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
<b>Meeting Called to Order</b>	Greg Jones called the meeting to order at 11:01am, and apologized for having to reschedule the meeting from July. The committee took a moment of silence for fallen air medical personnel. Introductions were made, and it was determined that we had a quorum. The previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.	<b>Motion by:</b> Jay Lovelady <b>Seconded by:</b> Jeff Ferguson <b>Vote:</b> April 2015 minutes approved
<b>Reports:</b>  Bon Secours  VCU	Al Thompson – Just a reminder that there are internal policies in the hospitals that driven by the ETA of the unit that’s enroute. If you can’t get a hold of the receiving facility on your unit, please have dispatch contact them through the EOC.  Jane LaVerne – We are having an EMS grand rounds with dinner at Henrico Fire Training Center on September 1. We also just started the “Day in the Life of a Trauma Patient” for EMS providers.	



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<p>HCA</p>	<p>Lanny Jones – Business as usual. If you have any communication issues, just let me know. We will be ramping up comm room staff for the bike race.</p> <p>Brad Taylor – We are currently putting CarePoint in at JW. Nancy Malhotra is leaving at the end of the month and her replacement has not yet been named. The Chippenham helipad operations seem to be going well – not sure if the UHF radio will become the main communication system there. We are looking at putting an elevated helipad at JW (approx 12 feet off the ground), but do not have any firm plans on that. Construction also just started on the Swift Creek ED – there will not be a helipad there, but there will be a parking lot to use as a rendezvous point.</p> <p>Valetta Daniels – We’ve had Crisis radios installed in all of the Henrico Doctors’ EDs. Henrico Doctors’ Forest is having CarePoint installed on Thursday. Teleneuro is also at all facilities now. Henrico Doctors’ is the first hospital in the state to receive Sepsis certification, and also just got cycle 4 chest pain accreditation.</p> <p>Jessica Goodman – We’re holding an EMS super CE weekend August 21-23. We are on cycle 5 chest pain accreditation and just recertified as a primary stroke center. CarePoint will be installed tomorrow.</p>	
<p>VDEM</p>	<p>Mike Keefe-Thomas – We’ve had approximately 380 calls since the beginning of the year. There was a massive reorganization that went into effect July 1; my position has been split into 2, and I will be dealing with all agency communications. Someone else will be handling the watch center. We will be also adding Med7.</p>	
<p>LifeEvac</p>	<p>Bert Bogue – Critical care transport is going well, as is the partnership with the State Police. We are gearing up for the bike race along with everyone else, and we are getting teams ready for symposium.</p> <p>Jay Lovelady – As far as the race, the weekends will be a little bit different than normal, and there will also be some other aircraft operating.</p>	





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	<p>formerly known as Project Synergy, which looks at the air medical transport of STEMI patients. Several sets of data points allow some analysis to see if the patient would have been better served going by ground EMS. The hope is to minimize first medical contact to balloon time, no matter how the patient is transported. Bert adds that this data is going to VHAC as well, not just the State Medevac Committee. Jay L. adds that this is a long-term project, so there could be other things that come out of the data collection and analysis. Dr. Ferguson adds that educating ground EMS agencies can make a big impact on patient care times. Valeta asks if there is a way to backtrack which ground agency called for a medevac unit; the group acknowledges that there isn't a standardized way as of yet.</p> <p>Will asks if this committee is playing a role in advertising the communications plans for the UCI bike race for outside agencies. Jay L. says there will be some communication from the command structure. Mike adds that VDEM will try to push out a communication plan.</p> <p>Will also mentions that there is a regional communications group, which recently met a milestone regarding the 800 radio system. However, only Chesterfield is officially represented, and he advocates for air medical to be represented. The group discusses, and suggests drafting a letter from the ODEMSA Air Medical Committee requesting air medical inclusion/representation.</p>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	October 13, 2015 at 11:00am	
<b>Adjourn</b>	The meeting adjourned at 12:17pm.	