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Hospital Diversion Committee

November 20, 2015, 01:00 pm to 03:00pm
 Chair: Mr. John F. Duval, VCU

Members and Guests Present: John Duval, Robin Manke, Jill Russell, Brian Epperson, Joanne Lapetina, Allen Yee, Michael Ortega, Chip Decker, Chris Lindsay, Jessica Goodman, Bryan McRay, Andrew Slater, Brad Taylor
Conference Line: Karen Lea, Tracey Lee, Missy Hinkle, Cynthia Gumm, Candace Camden
ODEMSA Staff: Rachel Dillon, Heidi Hooker
Minutes Scribed by: Rachel Dillon
Materials provided: Previous meeting minutes, meeting agenda, pediatric diversion language changes

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Mr. Duval called the meeting to order at 01:03pm. It was determined that we have a quorum. The previous meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.	Motion by: Chip Decker Seconded by: Robin Manke Vote: August meeting minutes approved
Reports: RHCC HCA Bon Secours	Andrew Slater – No report Brad Taylor – There is a new helipad being built at JW. Carepoint is being turned on. Jessica Goodman – No report Mike Ortega – No report Jill Russell – 3 of the 4 hospitals are in the window for the Joint Commission. There were no further reports given.	



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Old Business:

Status of WebEOC Changes – Andrew notes that the rollout has been pushed back again.

Pediatric Diversion Policy Verbiage – Rachel notes that the workgroup met and developed the verbiage as is noted in the handout (page 2 of the current Regional Hospital Diversion Plan):

“Pediatric – For the purposes of this Hospital Diversion Policy, pediatric is defined as ~~under the age of 18~~ ≤ 17 years of age, with the exception of trauma, which is ≤ 14 years of age.”

Dr. Yee notes that these changes will align us with the ACS guidelines. The group reviews and votes unanimously to approve these changes, to be implemented in the next Hospital Diversion Plan update.

Diversion Data Sharing – Mr. Duval reminds the group that this topic was discussed last quarter, and notes that sharing data can be beneficial, but now the group needs to decide how to move forward. Robin summarizes the history of diversion data and the sharing of that data. She notes that for a long time, each hospital used their own system. Robin continues that the ownership of the system is VHHA, but regional maintenance is the responsibility of the regional hospital group (CVHC).

Mr. Duval asks to what purposes this information be made useful. Chris notes that HCA plans for what kind of patient load you think is going to happen, so having the data made public can allow for facilities to plan accordingly based on historical diversion trends.

Dr. Yee suggests that data sharing should be limited to hospitals and health systems, not to the general public. The group discusses what uses there could be for the data, such as decreasing diversion times. Dr. Yee notes that diversion has greatly improved from several years ago, but perhaps where there are still lingering issues, the data could be presented to the state.

Motion by: Allen Yee
Seconded by: Joann Lapetina
Vote: Pediatric Diversion Verbiage



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	<p>Mr. Duval asks what the group means by making the data public, and that there is a difference between using the data for preplanning and using the data for competitive purposes. The group agrees on the principle that data could be brought forward from the system, trended and displayed for this committee’s discussion, as it makes recommendations about management of diversion policy.</p> <p>While there was a desire to be able to decide on this sharing policy today, it was acknowledged that some facilities would need to do further discussions internally before agreeing to it. Dr. Yee added that there might need to be confidentiality statements, and Robin suggested including VHHA and/or VDH. Mr. Duval suggests developing a statement along the lines of, “This committee endorses the use of diversion data for the following purposes, within these conditions...” through a workgroup with representation from every hospital system and input from VHHA and VDH. It could then be voted on by the committee and then send it to the ODEMSA Board of Directors.</p> <p>The work group will be: VCU – Robin Manke HCA – Chris Lindsay Bon Secours – Cindy Gumm? CHS – Karen Lea Sentara Halifax – Brian Epperson McGuire VA – Jason Smith Centra – Kathi Manis?</p> <p>There would also be input from VHHA. Bryan notes that signatures from leadership on the statement would be appreciated by the Board.</p>	
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>2016 Meeting Dates – Rachel asks if there would be any opposition to moving this meeting to the first month each quarter, but otherwise keeping it at 01:00pm, following CVHC and the MCI committees. There is none.</p> <p>There is no further business from the floor.</p>	



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Next Meeting	January 22, 2016 at 01:00pm	
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 01:48pm.	