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Pharmacy Committee

April 14, 2016; 08:30am to 10:30am

Co-Chairs: Ben Hester, VCU and Robin Sayles, JRMC

Vice Chair: Ian Orensky, SMH

Members and Guests Present: Ben Hester, Robin Sayles, Ian Orensky, Cheryl Nelson, Al Thompson, Allen Yee, Greg Taylor

Conference Line: Nadine Gilmore, Bobby Jefferson, Cheryl Nelson (later joined in person), Terry Sim, Janice Smiley, Mike Harmon, Stacy Reaves

ODEMSA Staff: Rachel Dillon

Minutes Scribed by: Rachel Dillon

Materials provided: Meeting agenda, previous meeting minutes, draft Medication Restocking and Exchange Policy, Clearly Inventory Compliance report, Regional Medication Administration Statistics

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Ben Hester called the meeting to order at 08:36am. Introductions were made, and it was determined we had a quorum. The January meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.	Motion by: Ian Orensky Seconded by: Robin Sayles Vote: January 2016 Minutes approved
Reports: Bon Secours	Ian Orensky – No report from Bon Secours specifically, but did want to mention that the epinephrine labeling will be changing on May 1. Epi 1:1,000 will be labeled as 1mg/mL and epi 1:10,000 will be labeled as 01.mg/mL. The group discusses the epi labeling change and how to educate EMS. It is suggested to not only include a medication alert on the kits if the new epi is in the kits, but also put flyers in the EMS rooms and push education out to the agencies. There will also be a	



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HCA	<p>need to change the contents/schematic sheets for the boxes, as well as the regional protocols, to reflect the labeling change.</p> <p>Robin Sayles – Nothing in particular at John Randolph, but we have had a few agencies bring in extremely expired boxes. Just a reminder that agencies are under the same scrutiny if they have expired boxes.</p> <p>Rachel notes that she was able to pull the last move date of all the boxes, and some had not seemed to move since 2013. Some are not in the correct location as they have showed up on inventories in other locations, but if they may be expired boxes, Rachel will contact the agencies to verify the expiration dates and have any expired boxes exchanged. Unfortunately, it also shows that Clearly Inventory is not 100% accurate at this time.</p>	
VCU	<p>Ben Hester – We had a Board of Pharmacy inspection over the last two days, and they did look very closely at the EMS boxes, including the PPCRs and the refill logs, including the documentation of the seal numbers on the refill log, and that you have a pharmacist signing off on them. Make sure your systems are as tight as possible.</p>	
Chesterfield Fire & EMS	<p>Allen Yee – No report</p>	
ODEMSA	<p>Rachel Dillon – Nothing from ODEMSA as a whole. There was one major diversion this quarter with the stolen box that you were notified of a few weeks ago; that has not been resolved as of yet. There have not been as many fentanyl ampules breaking, although there have been several instances of norepi ampules breaking, and that’s probably more their location in the boxes. As mentioned previously, we had several times where boxes were not restocked correctly before they were sealed and sent out to an agency; please remind your staff to slow down and check them carefully, especially the controlled substances.</p> <p>We are continuing to improve with Clearly Inventory compliance; however, it is likely that not every exchange is being tracked entirely. There have been several times where there is no documentation in Clearly Inventory of a box being exchanged at a facility, but it is on the exchange card.</p>	



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<p>Old Business:</p>	<p>Drug Shortages – There was a small bicarb issue, but it seems to have been resolved and there are no current shortage issues.</p> <p>Regional Medication Administration Data – Al and Cheryl suggested looking at the medication administration rate within the region last quarter. There were a few interesting medications administered, though most of the ones that are not in the ODEMSA box are likely from interfacility/critical care transports. The group discusses further, and Ben suggests the group look at it a little closer before the next meeting in case anything looks strange (such as the Mark I kits that are clearly expired).</p>	
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>Medication Restocking and Exchange Plan – Ben reminds the group that this document’s annual review is due this quarter. Rachel notes that there was one small change suggested previously on page 3, number 2: “...facilitate the one-for-one Drug Kit exchange of supplies (not including Drug Kit medications).” Remove “drug kit”, add “as requested” to the end of this sentence.</p> <p>The group also suggests making the next paragraph #3, renumber remaining paragraphs in the section. On page 21, number 3 (part of the hospital agreement), remove second and third sentences as they do not apply to hospitals.</p> <p>The contents and schematic will be updated when the new epi labeling starts.</p> <p>The document is unanimously approved with the above changes. The ODEMSA lawyer will review the hospital agreement; if acceptable, all pharmacy directors will need to resign the agreement as it will be a new document.</p> <p>There is no additional business from the floor.</p>	<p>Motion by: Ben Hester Seconded by: Ian Orensky Vote: 2016 Medication Restocking and Exchange Plan approved</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>July 14, 2016 at 08:30am</p>	
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>The meeting adjourned at 09:29am.</p>	