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Pharmacy Committee Meeting

Meeting at ODEMSA
February 10th, 2022 08:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Chair: Ben Hester, VCU
Vice Chair: Carrie Suders, Bon Secours

Members Present: N/A

Conference Line: Monty Dixon, Jennifer Hill, Haley Ransom, Ben Hester, Laurie Efremidis, Mike Watkins, Tu Le, Amy Howard, Kim Burger, Mike Gay, Megan Middleton, Carrie Suders, Amy Cuenin, Courtney Fuller, Jackie Griffith, Chris Bales, Julie Flint, Allen Yee, Greg Neiman, Wayne Harbour Ahmad

ODEMSA Staff: Tarsha Robinson

Minutes Scribed by: Tarsha Robinson

Materials provided: Meeting Agenda, Previous Meeting Minutes, Quarterly Reports

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action; Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Carrie thanked everyone for attending today's meeting. Introductions were made. Quorum was present.	Motion: Laurie Efremidis Seconded: Wayne Harbour Vote: Agenda and previous meeting minutes approved
Reports: <u>Hospitals</u> Bon Secours-Mercy	CCT transport will be in service beginning Monday, February 14th	

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HCA	Parham states is having a metoprolol shortage and still using epi kits; Retreat and Spotsylvania state continued epi shortage	
VCU	No report	
VAMC	No report	
<u>EMS Agencies</u>		
Richmond Ambulance Authority	Wayne Harbour has been hired as the new COO of RAA; the organization is in the process of hiring a deputy chief	
Goochland Fire	Has implemented a ketamine pain control protocol	
Henrico Fire	Newest recruit class has begun; call volume has decreased	
Chesterfield Fire	No report	
Lakeside	Working with OMD on a push dose epi protocol	
<u>ODEMSA</u>		

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<u>Drug Shortages</u>	Epi continues to be an issue; epi kits typically contain a vial of epi and saline injection in 10mL syringe (which are on back order); 10cc flushes are considered medical devices, so it's not allowed to be used as a diluent; sodium bicarbonate abjects are also on backorder; some facilities are having to use vials of sodium bicarbonate and create kits similar to the epi kits	Motion: Seconded: Vote:
<u>Drug Diversions/Discrepancies</u>	None to report	

Old Business: <u>Regional Medication Administration Data</u>	Clearly Inventory report looks good with most agencies above 95%; regional data shows toradol use is still low	
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<u>DEA Regulations/Ketamine</u> <u>COVID-19</u>	n/a n/a	
<u>New Business:</u> Business from the Floor	From Medical Direction, will reduce the use of terbutaline (resume pre-pandemic protocols for dyspnea/wheezing for known asthmatics/COPD'ers, etc., but withhold steroid administration for new onset dyspnea); MDC also approved racemic epi to go back into the box; brief discussion on whether to remove the requirement for MD signature for administration of narcotics; at this time, Pharmacy does not want to remove requirement	Motion: Carrie Suders Seconded: Wayne Harbour Vote: Racemic epi, contingent upon protocol, will go back into the box

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Next Meeting	July 7th, 2022	
Motion to Adjourn	Meeting Adjourned 10:08 am	