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Medical Direction Committee

November 3rd, 2022, 08:00 am to 10:00am

Chair: Dr. Allen Yee, Regional OMD
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Members and guests present: N/A

Conference Line: Will Hudley, Allen Yee, Travis Jenkins, Michael Farris, Lisa Baber, Brian Lanham, Andrew Hartung, Jessica Goodman, Craig Bride, Joe Ornato, Al Thompson, Jason Johnson, Dana Jewett, Randy Geldrich, Monty Dixon, Greg Neiman, William Azie

ODEMSA Staff: Ryan Scarbrough, Heidi Hooker

Minutes scribed by: Tarsha Robinson

Materials provided: Agenda, previous meeting minutes

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Dr. Allen Yee called the meeting to order at 08:00 am. Introductions were made, and it was determined that we did not had a quorum. A quorum was reached at approx. 08:20, and at that point, the minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed, agenda was reviewed, and unanimously approved.	Motion: Joe Ornato Seconded by: Jeff Ferguson Vote: previous meeting minutes, agenda approved
Reports: State Medical Control	State SOP will no longer be a living document under Medical Direction; is more legislative and will now go to a new committee in the State run out of the Governor's Office where the GAB vote "yes/no"; will now probably be an extra quarter to get items approved; robust discussion on diversion; there is a hospital in NOVA where providers	



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<p><u>HOSPITALS</u></p> <p>Bon Secours</p> <p>HCA</p> <p>VCU</p> <p>ODEMSA</p> <p><u>AGENCIES</u></p> <p>Henrico</p> <p>Hanover</p> <p>New Kent</p> <p>RAA</p> <p>Chesterfield</p> <p>Goochland</p> <p>Stony Point</p>	<p>are not allowed in the hospital with patients, and the patients had to stay in the ambulance until staff allowed them in; Chapter 32 has been delayed again, going through more regulatory processes (will probably not be implemented until late 2023/early 2024); no movement on ruling from the DEA and their final regulations; there is a push at the next Congressional session for the DEA to be pushed to release regulations; the State continues to work on plans for any regulations that may be released, including a pyxis style system being tested in a sister council</p> <p>No report</p> <p>Chippenham and Henrico are presenting a cardiothoracic trauma class November 21st</p> <p>Beginning discussions on ebola, but no other report</p> <p>Congratulations to all Regional award winners; an email went out requesting information from agencies regarding ebola and their ability to transport patients</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>No response</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>Nothing to report</p> <p>No response</p>	
<p>Old Business:</p>		



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<p>Drug Box Update/Pre-hospital Analgesia</p> <p>Legislative Updates</p>	<p>ODEMSA advised committee that we are in the process of reinforcing the outer loop of the drug box with a grommet and the new drug seals; the seals are being distributed and the repaired boxes will be in circulation soon; Dr. Yee wants to remove the standing agenda item of pre-hospital analgesia and look at medication use data that is presented at the Pharmacy committee meeting</p> <p>There is an “ask” to make EMS an essential service; only 11 states have EMS as an essential service, and VA is not one of them</p>	
<p>New Business:</p> <p>Protocols</p>	<p>Ebola – an old guideline was sent out for the group to review and OEMS sent out a survey asking agencies if they would be able to transport affected patients; wants the Committee to look at the guidelines to see if they were still sufficient or needed updating; per Dr. Yee, there is an ebola outbreak in Uganda and flights from that area are being routed to 5 airports, one of them being Dulles; wants the region to be on top of anything that can come this way; VCU and UVA have a “unique pathogens unit” for specialized care; a poll has gone out to all agencies from OEMS with a response date to ODEMSA of November 7th so that Ryan can follow up on the 8th, and information be submitted to the State on the 9th; there is the possibility of PSAP asking infectious disease/travel questions but a concern was that it was just turned off from COVID; RAA stated has not implemented those questions; the current ODEMSA guideline will have an updated date and will continue to say “Ebola/EVD”</p> <p>Per Dr. Yee, 11-4 is outdated stating a puncture site of 2nd inter-costal space at the mid-clavicular line, however it has transitioned to [anterior] mid-axillary line; does guidance need to be created for the new sites; the State will be creating educational material via Training and Education and Medical Direction committee to be sent out to the regional councils; for next quarter’s review, AHA guidelines need to be reviewed so affected protocols can be updated</p> <p>7-1 – New Kent is looking to host an EMR class and SOP states EMR’s are able to administer narcan, and would like the protocol updated to reflect that; Ryan will send out an email for an electronic vote so the protocol can be updated</p>	<p>Motion: Seconded by: Vote:</p>



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Business From the Floor	Royal Medical Transport spoke to the Committee, requesting an OMD; advised that they have been in business for a while doing non-medical transport, but now interested in non-emergency EMS transport, and specializes in bariatric transport Dr. Geldrich is asking that providers be reminded/re-educated to please provide steroid administration to pediatric patients; there is over-saturation in the facilities and it appears to be a high number/high acuity respiratory season, and for peds respiratory, giving steroids in the field will help greatly with reducing admissions	
Next Meeting	February 9th, 2023	
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 08:46 am	