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Region V EMS Advisory Council
General Membership Meeting Agenda
ONLINE ONLY
13 October 2022
1100-1300

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- I. Attendance/Roll Call
- II. Welcome and Introductions
- III. Review of Minutes
 - a. April 2022 Minutes (Previously unavailable due to technical issues)
 - b. July 2022 Minutes
- IV. Report of Chair
- V. Medical Director's Report
 - a. Dr. Chizmar, State Medical Director
 - b. Dr. Stone, Region V Medical Director
- VI. MIEMSS Report
 - a. MIEMSS, Dr. Delbridge/Randy Linthicum
 - b. Region V, Michael Cooney
 - i. CDG Deadline October 21 submission, Oct 27th Decision
 - ii. ALS Training Deadline for submission: 01 November
 - c. EMSC, Cynthia Wright-Johnson
- VII. Old Business
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Regional Alert Policy Subcommittee
 - b. Schedule CDG Decision Meeting (EMSOP leaders)
- IX. Announcements
- X. Clinician Kudos / Save of the Quarter
- XI. Regional Round Table

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Attendees:

Michael Cooney, Shawn Davidson, Dr. Karen Keller-Baker, Susan Gonzalez, Cyndy Wright-Johnson, Linda Rivera, Randy Linthicum, Jackie Vaughan, Dawn Moreland, Danielle Joy, Beverly Witmer, J. Sanfuentes, Chief Terrell Buckson, Dr. Roger Stone, Mike Oxenford, Dr. Joel Buzy, Doug Mayo, Heather Howes, Dr. Reginald Brown. Dr. Tim Chizmar. Tina Kennedy, Dr. Jeff Stone. Dr. Karen O'Connell, Dr. Jeffry Uribe, Emily Dorosz, Stephanie Cleaveland, Jeffrey Foy, Chief Ben Kaufman, Courtney Griffin, Patricia Gabriel, Adowa Amisah-Robb, Tessa Livingston, James Laska, David Feist

1. Attendance/Roll Call
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Review of Minutes
 - a. April 2022 Minutes (Previously unavailable due to technical issues)
 - b. July 2022 Minutes
 - c. Motion: Dr. O'Connell Moved. Howes Seconded. Carried
4. Report of Chair
 - a. Addition to Agenda Below.
5. Medical Director's Report
 - a. Dr. Chizmar, State Medical Director
 - i. Infectious Diseases are still an issue. Please maintain masking with patient care.
 1. Ebola Cases on the rise in Uganda.
 2. Pediatric Respiratory viruses are causing an increase in Pediatric ICU Cases
 - ii. Protocol Review Committee
 1. Revisions to the Trauma Decision tree

2. Revising Peds Cardiac Arrest
 3. Ketamine for pacing
 4. TXA for post-partum bleeding
 5. More coming up
- iii. EMS Quality Improvement Committee: Statewide QI Officers meeting Quarterly
 - iv. Cardiac Arrest Steering Committee is meeting again. Bi-monthly for now.
 - v. SB 295 passed. Guidance is sent out to Jurisdictional Officers on how reimbursement will work.
 - vi. EDAS
 1. Status of patients registered at ED
 2. Will be integrated into the @HA Dashboard
 3. Dropping Colors except Mini Disaster, Reroute and Trauma Bypass
 4. There will be no diversionary guidance based on status
 5. Do not have the feed from DC Hospitals yet.

b. Dr. Stone, Region V Medical Director

- i. COVID Seems to be waning but vaccine efficacy wanes. Encourage everyone to keep current with boosters.
- ii. Base Station Renewal is underway
- iii. Transfer of Care Times: Are Hospitals having more success with staffing?
- iv. Urgent care facilities are calling 911 vs. Commercial due to perceived delays in transport.
 1. Suggest Calling Commercial earlier to avoid load on 911 system.

6. MIEMSS Report

a. MIEMSS, Randy Linthicum

- i. Ebola: Dulles is one of the airports taking people returning from Uganda. Screened by MDH when they get into Maryland with follow-up
 1. 3 Maryland residents are being monitored. Low Risk

2. Please Review PPE Requirements.

- b. MIEMSS, Beverly Witmer (Via Chat):
 - i. We've restarted the eLicensure steering committee. Would like a rep for each EMSOP and Ed Program. An email went out to the HJO's and Program Coordinators. Please reply to mmeyers@miemss.org with your rep, please. Meets quarterly. Next meeting Jan.
 - c. Region V, Michael Cooney
 - i. CDG Deadline October 21 submission, Oct 27th Decision
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 - d. EMSC, Cynthia Wright-Johnson
 - i. September summary has been sent out
 - ii. PEPP Course is full
 - iii. Update just sent out about the research forum to follow the November PEMAC Meeting. Please register
 - iv. Child passenger safety has been funded again. Car seats for Supervisor vehicles in EMS Agencies.
 - v. Federal Rural Child health grant funding
7. Old Business
- a. None
8. New Business
- a. Regional Alert Policy Subcommittee to reexamine diversion policy in light of the EDAS System and ending CHATS
 - i. Issue: How to handle Re-route etc. Guidance may be something that needs to be reexamined.
 - ii. A region V policy might have to tie in to region III as well.
 - iii. Volunteers
 - 1. Ben Kaufman Has volunteered
 - 2. Will find a volunteer from St. Mary's
 - 3. Chief Buckson will be onboard.

4. Heather Howes

5. Danielle Joy

b. Schedule CDG Decision Meeting (EMSOP leaders)

9. Announcements

a. Clinician Kudos / Save of the Quarter

i. None

10. Regional Round Table

- Prince George's Health Department – No updates
- Montgomery County Health Department – Not present.
- Charles County Health Department – Not present.
- Calvert County Health Department – Not Present
- St Mary's Health Department – Not Present
- UM Bowie Medical Center – Nothing to report.
- UM Laurel Regional Medical Center- Dr. Keller Baker. Moving into new facility in March.
- UM Cap Region Health – Nothing to report.
- Doctors Community Hospital – Dr. Brown, Nothing to report. RN Recruiting: Getting LPSN and new Graduates not much on Experiences.
- Adventist Fort Washington –Nothing to report.
- MedSTAR Southern MD – Courtney Griffin: Nothing to report
- UM Charles Regional – Not Present.
- Calvert Health – Nothing to report
- MedSTAR St. Mary's Hospital – Staffing: Re-did RN tiers to create float pool and increased Pay to attract RNS who went out to travel status. Re-assembling the team. Gina Russell, ED director, is stepping down at the end of November.
- WOMC Adventist – nothing to report.
- Holy Cross Hospital –Ms. Amisah-Robb. Nothing to report.
- HCH Germantown –Tina Kennedy: Nothing to report.
- Shady Grove Adventist – Dr. Joel Buzy: Having a mild increase in RN Recruiting. Is there a plan to increase pediatric care resources? Dr. C: We're working on it but nothing solid yet.
- Suburban – Patricia Gabriel: Construction going on in Waiting room but shouldn't affect EMS. Kudos to EMS 700 Lots of positive feedback.
- MedSTAR Montgomery – Nothing to report.
- Children's National Hospital – Emily Dorosz, nothing to report. Echo Dr. Chizmar: State of Pediatric in the region & nationally. Operating at Crisis mode. Trying to get created in team structures to address staffing issues. Not much luck on recruiting experienced RNs. Hiring Nursing Scribes to offload some work.
- Shock Trauma – Not present.

- Malcolm Grow/JBA – Not present.
- Walter Reed – Not Present
- MSP Aviation – Not Present
- US Park Police – James Laska Nothing to report
- MSFA – Not Present
- MFRI –Not present
- Prince George’s County Fire/EMS – Chief Buckson: Looking at Nurse navigation program for dispatch. Evaluating. Pushing forward with Pedi dose protocol implementation and training.
- Montgomery County Fire/Rescue – Chief Kaufmann: Added 2 supervisor positions. EMS 700 for clinical oversight and helping with transport destination. Has been really helpful in getting TOC lowered. Modeled after position made for COVID. Dr. Uribe: Do you use the DC dashboard for FEMS units? Kaufmann: We share data via FirstWatch. Dr. Chizmar: if you upgrade your CAD, it can throw off our @HA feeds. Please coordinate with us.
- Calvert County EMS – Heather Howes: Hiring more careers staff. Finalizing training for draw up epinephrine
- Charles County EMS – Not Present
- St Mary’s County EMS- Chief Davidson: Hiring career staff; scheduling interviews for full time medical director. Hopefully have a decision soon.

I. Adjournment

Moved: Howes

Seconded: Gonzalez

Adjourned: 1236