

Medical Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Present

Chief Barry Cousino  
Chief Mike Ramm  
Lt Zak Reed  
Deputy Chief Tim Clapp  
Todd Brookens, M.D.  
Stephen Grider, M.D.  
Alisa Roberts, M.D.

Representing

Springfield Twp. Fire  
Sylvania Fire  
Toledo Fire  
Toledo Fire EMS Bureau  
ProMedica  
UTMC (Zoom)  
ProMedica (Zoom)

Staff

David Lindstrom, M.D.  
Brent Parquette  
Schuyler Beckwith  
Dennis Cole  
Aiden Yoon

Medical Director LCEMS  
EMS QA/QI  
LCEMS  
LCEMS Director  
LCEMS/Springfield

Attending

Kirk Keane  
Jonathon Ziehr  
Mike Eck  
Rob Reed  
Joe Cira  
Martin Fuller  
Parvinder's iPhone  
Kim Campbell  
Zac Wise  
Josh  
Tyler Koonst  
Julia Harsh  
Tim's iPhone  
Derek Francis  
Dan Kemple  
Cara Coberley  
Mary Britton  
Chris Seager  
Sean Powers

Toledo Fire  
LCEMS / Springfield Twp. Fire  
Toledo Fire/ Local 92  
Toledo Fire/ Local 92  
Toledo Fire/ Local 92  
Whitehouse Fire (Zoom)  
(Zoom)  
ProMedica (Zoom)  
(Zoom)  
(Zoom)  
(Zoom)  
ProMedica (Zoom)  
(Zoom)  
Monclova Twp (Zoom)  
ProMedica (Zoom)  
Mercy (Zoom)  
ProMedica (Zoom)  
Mercy St Vincent (Zoom)  
Mercy St Vincent (Zoom)

## Call to Order

Chief Barry Cousino called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

## Minute Approval

The minutes from the February 2022 meeting were made available for review. Dr Brookens moved to approve, Dr Lindstrom seconded. All approved amended version of the minutes with attendance additions.

## Old Business

Dr Lindstrom gave an update on hospital status, things are at pre-covid levels.

Chief Ramm gave an update on the continuing conversation about the new paramedic internship program. Will have more talks about operating vs non-operating requirements.

## New Business

Dr Lindstrom gave an update on ProMedica at home care, hospitalized patient in a residence. He is working with Ralph on how to deal with these patients if they call 911. Let us know if you have any issues with this. Dr Brookens talked about the program, it deals with a certain number of diagnoses. Dr Roberts said that if the patient does not check in as expected an ambulance from ProMedica goes to the patient. Ask Dr Brookens or any of us if you have more questions about the program. Chief Cousino asked how many patients are in the program. Dr Brookens said typically between 3 and 5, as high as 8, but the paramedic shortage has really affected ProMedica. The plan is to use PTN inter-facility transports for those patients.

Lt Reed talked about having to educate ProMedica facilities on calling PTN before they call 911, may be an ongoing piece that needs to be addressed.

Brent asked if LCEMS paramedics are legally allowed to respond to these patient homes, because the home would be considered a facility. Chief Ramm suggested looking at the community paramedicine rules. Need to clarify what we can and cannot do.

Dr Lindstrom gave a COVID update, many departments are sitting on an allotment of procured COVID tests, and there is an additional storage of tests that should be good until November. Do not throw them out.

Dr Lindstrom gave an update on drug shortages, had some success getting in mag sulfate, EPI in the concentrations we wanted, good on NARCAN, morphine and phentanyl. Dr Brookens asked about d10, there's a big shortage on d50, Dr Lindstrom said we are good but had to change protocol to allow different concentrations.

Dr Lindstrom said CE is back to live, Jan and Feb were virtual. Back in person March and April. We are doing some training on ketamine, especially for pain. Dr Brookens said may want to change the protocol name agitated delirium to behavior emergency especially because of issues in Colorado.

Sean powers asked about UTMC being listed as primary stroke center, wanted to clarify if RACE patients go to UTMC. Dr Lindstrom said yes, still taking those patients there. Also asked about status of PulsePoint software. Dennis said it is down because of server upgrades. Do not have a timeline on that. Dennis brought up that it is designed for CPR, it is no longer serving that purpose, the fire chiefs are looking at how to pay for that, not sure when that contract is up, maybe May.

Lt Reed asked if there are alternatives to Ketamine being considered because of the political discussion. Dr Lindstrom said ketamine is a great drug, there are very specific dosage requirements. There are terminology issues, none of this is defined clearly by psychiatric definitions. We have been delayed in implementing ketamine for pain because we did not want to roll it out without training for dosing. Right now it has to have a med control order, will take that off eventually. Dr Brookens said there are a lot of medications out there that could be used but they don't have the range of use that ketamine has. Dr Seager, a resident at St V's, said to be sure to take a really good history before giving it because they get to the hospital and cannot give medical history. Versed works just as well and is not in your protocol.

Adjournment - With no further business, Dr Brookens made a motion to adjourn, Dr Lindstrom seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:02am.

The next Medical Committee meeting will be June 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.