

Medical Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2008

Present

Chief Barry Cousino
Todd Brookens, D.O.
Cheryl Herr, R.N.
David Miramontes, M.D.
Pat Mattevi, M.D.

Representing

Chairman – Springfield Twp. FD
Toledo Hospital
Nurse Manager's Association
Mercy Health Partners, TFD
Bay Park Hospital

Staff:

Dennis Cole
David Lindstrom, M.D.
Gary Orlow
Brent Parquette

Emergency Services Director
EMS Medical Director
EMS Manager
EMS QA/QI

Others:

Jeff Hibbard

Whitehouse Fire – LS9

Absent

Mary Beth Crawford, M.D.
Jeff Cooper, M.D.
Kenneth Chelucci, M.D. (Primary)
Luca Delatore, M.D.
Kris Brickman, M.D.
Rod Standiford (Primary)
Matt Homik (Alternate)

St. Luke's Hospital
St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center
St. Anne Mercy Hospital
Flower Hospital
UT MC
Paramedic Committee
Paramedic Committee

Call To Order

Chief Cousino called the meeting to order at 8:05 am

Minute Approval

The minutes from June 2, 2008 were made available for review. The minutes were approved.

CE

Brent reported there was no CE July and August. September's CE will be a review of trauma with skill stations with such skills as surgical cric and relieving tension pneumothorax. Brent reported if the web portion for the EPCR is up and functioning, October's CE will incorporate that training. Brent reported he is also looking at the EKG data piece and debating whether to implement now or in January when the new piece is in. Brent reported one of his concerns with the web piece, is that it's not user friendly and he will hear complaints from the paramedics.

Brent reported he will be coming out with 2009 schedule in November. The only major topic/card is ACLS is due up in 2009. Brent reported he is looking at topics with Dr. Lindstrom for 2009.

ICE Protocol – Brent reported he has looked at two months of data, June and July. There were 44 cardiac arrest, with ROSC in 19 and 8 patients were initiated with the ICE protocol. There was a 55% ROSC rate and July 33% with a 43% rate for the two months. In 2005 before changes in CPR and the ResQPOD and ResQGuard, the ROSC rate was 15%. Brent reported he has not had the chance to follow up at the hospitals on the outcomes of the patients. Brent reported we've had problems with refrigerators and currently there is trouble with the cables in that they are being stepped on or bent.

Protocols – Brent reported he is working on revisions and it's slow going. Every one of the protocols need to be updated and he has three of the twelve tabs completed. Brent reported he hopes to have the m completed/revised by January.

Dr. Lindstrom reported we are trying to make the protocol look simpler and with the style change make it less complex to learn

Old Business

ResQGUARD – Brent reported there have been 22 uses with favorable outcomes. There were a couple of instances where the patient couldn't tolerate the device. Brent reported he is giving the information to the manufacturer representative. The representative is going to present the information at the NAEMS conference in January. The feedback has been good and the company is looking to implement the device in Michigan as well as trialing it in some hospitals across the nation.

Chief Cousino asked if this item will be budgeted and on the Line Item Bid. It was reported no prices are available.

Dennis Cole reported we received the Phillips 12-lead software from Sylvania Twp. The server we were going to use didn't have the modem capability and had to order a new one. Also we don't know if the fire departments have the data cards for it and we need to know how the hospitals want to receive the information, i.e., fax, computer.

Cheryl Herr asked if a presentation could be made at the September 12th Nurse Managers meeting. It was reported yes and Phillips would be contacted to send a representative.

Cheryl asked if anyone attending the meeting on Image Trending. She reported the State purchased software for disaster patient tracking. Dennis Cole reported ODH is the driving force behind this on how it is inputted and tracked.

Gary Orlow reported a neurologist from UTMC wants to make a presentation on Strokes. Chief Cousino mentioned he had not heard from Dr. Crawford on this but this neurologist indicated to her an interest to present to this committee. Brent reported he spoke to this neurologist a couple of months ago and his concern was he was worried about what hospital the patients are taken to.

Dr. Lindstrom reported it is hard to make a destination protocol related to stroke and it's an issue around the nation. Dr. Lindstrom reported this would be the right venue to meet with this doctor.

Gary Orlow reported the American Heart recommends taking stroke patients to a certified center and reported that UTMC is a certified center.

Dr. Miramontes gave an anecdotal on his experience in Battle Creek with a stroke patient.

Chief Cousino reported he will have Dr. Crawford contact the neurologist to set up a presentation.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Medical Committee meeting will be Monday, September 15th at 8:30. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 a.m.