



MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

DRUG/DEVICE/PROTOCOL (DDP) COMMITTEE

August 7, 2019 – 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mike Barnum, MD, AMR, Chairman
Karen Dalmaso-Hughey, AMR
Shane Splinter, HFD (Alt)
Chelsea Monge, CA
Spencer Lewis, MFR (Alt)

Frank Simone, NLVFD (Alt)
Samuel Scheller, GEMS
Steve Johnson, MWA
Derek Cox, LVFR

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chief Troy Tuke, CCFD
Chief Jim Kindel, BCFD
Alicia Farrow, Mercy Air
Jim McAllister, LVMS

Troy Biro, AR
Devon Eisma, RN, OM
Stephen Neel, MVFD
Matthew Horbal, MD, MCFPD

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor
Gerry Julian, EMSTS Field Representative
Rae Pettie, Recording Secretary

Christian Young, MD, EMSTS Med. Director
Scott Wagner, EMSTS Field Representative

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

David Slattery, MD
Jeff Quinn
Steve Krebs, MD
Kim Cerasoli, RN
Kim Dokken, RN
Krystal Coffman, NP
Brett Olbur
Jason Driggars
Jarrod Johnson, DO

Jeff Davidson, MD
August Corrales
Larry Johnson
Maya Holmes
Josephine Covell, RN
Jennifer Yant, RN
Jessica Leduc, DO
Tony Greenway

CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

The Drug/Device/Protocol Committee (DDP) convened in the Red Rock Conference Room at the Southern Nevada Health District on Wednesday, August 7, 2019. Chairman Mike Barnum called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and stated the Affidavit of Posting was posted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Dr. Barnum noted that a quorum was present.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public on items listed on the Agenda. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chairman Mike Barnum asked if anyone wished to address the Board pertaining to items listed on the Agenda. Seeing no one he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Barnum stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the DDP that can be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Committee member request. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

Approve Minutes for the Drug/Device/Protocol Committee Meeting: April 3, 2019

Chairman Barnum asked for a motion to approve the April 3, 2019 minutes of the DDP meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Davidson, seconded by Chief Troy Tuke, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Review/Discuss Development of Sepsis Protocol

Dr. Slattery made a motion to develop a draft sepsis protocol for discussion at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dalmaso-Hughey and passed unanimously.

Dr. Davidson suggested they elicit input from the receiving facilities. Dr. Slattery noted they should keep it as simple as possible and not be too prescriptive, and that outcomes will also need to be reviewed. Dr. Young stated the crews have been calling in “Code Sepsis” without a protocol in place. Dr. Davidson stated the receiving facilities appreciate the information given prior to patient arrival. Dr. Barnum reminded the committee that although a protocol is put into place, we don’t have purview over what the receiving facilities do with the information given.

B. Review/Discuss Stroke Protocol and Possible Receiving Facility Designation Criteria

C. Review/Discuss Possible Reconvening of Stroke Task Force

Dr. Barnum combined agenda items B & C. He stated there has been discussion about reconvening the Stroke Task Force to discuss current issues and hopefully obtain expertise from hospital stroke teams. Dr. Davidson agreed it would be beneficial to have physicians speak about the differences between the different stroke centers. Ms. Palmer stated she will invite everyone and take suggestions for membership.

A motion was made by Mr. Cox to reconvene the Stroke Task Force subcommittee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Simone and passed unanimously by the Committee.

D. Review/Discuss Quick-Trach Device – Tabled

E. Review/Discuss Capnography Criteria on Termination of Resuscitation Protocol

Mr. Splinter stated there was previous discussion about the verbiage in the Termination of Resuscitation (TOR) Protocol related to a capnography of <10. It was agreed that “10” should not be an absolute decision point to direct the pathway. Mr. Splinter stated the current protocol as written is handcuffing the crews because they are hard-pressed to get the capnography at 10 or below.

A motion was made by Mr. Splinter to revise 3.A. of the Termination of Resuscitation Protocol to read as follows:

A. “For medical arrest:

The patient remains in persistent asystole or agonal rhythm after twenty (20) minutes of appropriate Paramedic resuscitation, to include:

1) CPR

2) Effective ventilation with 100% oxygenation, with continuous capnography

3) Administration of appropriate ACLS medications”

The motion was seconded by Mr. Simone and passed unanimously.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY

Mr. Splinter introduced Mike Hargett as Henderson Fire Department’s EMS Training Officer, and Todd Ford, who assists with QI/QA issues.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussions of those comments, about matters relevant to the Committee's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Dr. Barnum asked if anyone wished to address the Board. Seeing no one he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Barnum called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:32 am.