



MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

DRUG/DEVICE/PROTOCOL (DDP) COMMITTEE

August 3, 2022 – 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelly Morgan, MD, Co-Chair
Steven DePue, CCFD (Alt)
Chief Shawn Tobler, MFR
Jim McAllister, LVMS
Sydni Senecal, OM
John Osborn, CA
Steven Carter, AMR (Alt)

Chief Frank Simone, NLVFD
Chief Kim Moore, HFD
Jeff Davidson, MD
Derek Cox, LVFR
Chief Stephen Neel, MVFD
Nigel Walton, BCFD

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Barnum, MD, AMR, Chair
Alicia Farrow, Mercy Air
Troy Biro, AirMed

Jessica Leduc, DO, HFD
Sam Scheller, GEMS

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Christian Young, MD, EMSTS Med. Director
John Hammond, EMSTS Manager
Roni Mauro, EMSTS Field Representative

Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor
Scott Wagner, EMSTS Field Representative

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Mark Calabrese
Sandra Horning, MD
Aaron Goldstein
Mathew Kaufman
Sarah Mitre
Michael Denton
Kat Fivelstad, MD

Scott Phillips
Tony Greenway
Jim Kindel
Matthew Dryden
Brett Olbur
James “Bud” Adams
Danny Perez

[Note: This meeting could not be recorded due to technical failure. The minutes are taken from meeting notes.]

CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Dr. Kelly Morgan called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and stated the Affidavit of Posting was posted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. All Committee members joined the meeting by teleconference and the roll call was administered by Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor, who noted that a quorum was present.

I. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are allowed to speak on Action items after the Committee's discussion and prior to their vote. Each speaker will be given five (5) minutes to address the Committee on the pending topic. No person may yield his or her time to another person. In those situations where large groups of people desire to address the Committee on the same matter, the Chair may request that those groups select only one or two speakers from the group to address the Committee on behalf of the group. Once the action item is closed, no additional public comment will be accepted. Dr. Morgan asked if anyone wished to address the Board pertaining to items listed on the agenda. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Morgan stated the Consent Agenda consists 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: June 1, 2022

A motion was made by Chief Simone, seconded by Chief Tobler, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as written.

III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Discussion of TFTC Protocol

Mr. Hammond explained that a request was brought forward at the request of several agencies and spearheaded by Shane Splinter (Henderson Fire Department) prior to his retirement. The proposed changes include the updated TFTC from the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, as well as the removal of specified catchment areas. The group discussed the overall layout of the protocol, agreeing that the criteria needed to be on one page, with details about the criteria on the following page. The language in one of the bullet points in the Red Mental Status and Vital Signs Category was changed from motor GCS <6 to read GCS motor <6. The group also added an additional bullet point in that same Red category to clarify that the vital signs contained within that area were considered to be Red criteria when found in the presence of traumatic mechanism in the Yellow EMS Judgment section. The group also added antiplatelet use to the anticoagulant bullet point. Finally, the group wanted the transport destinations clearly stated in each part of the TFTC, with the Red criteria categories showing that the patient must go to the closest Level I or Level II trauma center, the Yellow Mechanism of Injury category stating that the patient must be transported to the closest trauma center, and the Yellow Judgment category leaves it up to the provider's discretion.

A motion was made by Derek Cox to approve the revisions to the Trauma Field Triage Criteria protocol. The motion was seconded by Chief Simone and carried unanimously by the Committee.

B. Discussion of Protocol Development for EMS Removal of Taser Darts - Tabled

C. Discussion of Transport Destinations Protocol

Mr. Hammond stated that several agencies have sought out help through changes in protocol to allow them to better serve their jurisdiction, as transports far out of their jurisdictional area mean time out of response area, which hinders their ability to serve the population. All agencies are having staffing issues to some degree, and he feels it is important to give the agency the ability to determine whether their staffing will allow them to transport beyond their primary response area. Section 1 in the draft Transport Destinations protocol would allow for this to

occur. Mr. Cox felt the word “closest” needed to be changed to “nearest” so that it’s more aligned with other sections of the same protocol.

A motion was made by Chief Simone to approve the revisions to the Transport Destinations protocol. The motion as seconded by Chief Tobler and carried unanimously by the Committee.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY

None

V. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

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VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.