

MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

AUGUST 3, 2005--1:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dale Carrison, D.O., Chairman
Cheryl Bromley, R.N., Mercy Air
Debra Dailey, EMT-P, MedicWest Ambulance
Jim McAllister, EMT-P, EMS Training Center
Derek Cox, EMT-P, American Medical Response

Dave Slattery, M.D., St. Rose Dominican
Cheryl Limer, EMT-P, CCSN
John Higley, EMT-P, Mesquite Fire & Rescue
Philis Beilfuss, R.N., North Las Vegas Fire
Aaron Harvey, EMT-P, Henderson Fire

MEMBERS ABSENT

Trent Jenkins, EMT-P, Clark County Fire
Jon Kingma, EMT-P, Boulder City Fire

Mary Levy, R.N., University Medical Center
Sandy Young, R.N., Las Vegas Fire & Rescue

CCHD STAFF PRESENT

Rory Chetelat, EMS Manager
Joseph Heck, D.O., Operational Medical Director
Mary Ellen Britt, R.N., QI Coordinator
Moana Hanawahine-Yamamoto, Administrative Assistant

Trish Beckwith, Field Representative
Eddie Tajima, Recording Secretary
Rae Pettie, Program Coordinator

I. CONSENT AGENDA

The Education Committee convened in the Clemens Conference Room at the Ravenholt Public Health Center on Wednesday, August 3, 2005. Chairman Dale Carrison, D.O. called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and the Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Dr. Carrison noted that a quorum was present.

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Dr. Carrison asked for approval of the minutes of the November 3, 2004 meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes as written.

II. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Discussion of Weapons of Mass Destruction Class for Initial EMT-B Training

Rory Chetelat reminded the group that AB250 mandated that all certified or licensed EMTs must complete a Weapons of Mass Destruction course. However, after looking at existing EMT-Basic courses, Mr. Chetelat felt that it was feasible that the WMD training could be included in the current curriculum without increasing the hour requirement. Dr. Carrison made a motion to accept the proposal of adding the WMD Training to the EMT-B Curriculum. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

B. Discussion of Required Clinical Hours for Initial EMT-I Training

Mr. Chetelat noted that although all training centers currently require clinical hours as part of their EMT-I curriculum, he would like to formally make it a requirement. Mr. Chetelat proposed 24 hours of clinical time with 12 hours in a hospital setting and 12 hours on a third ride. Derek Cox noted his concern with clinical hours

in the hospital. Mr. Cox suggested that the training centers should determine where the 24 clinical hours were performed. Rod Hackwith agreed with Mr. Cox. Mr. Hackwith stated that with two to three hundred students every semester, the Community College is finding it increasingly more difficult to schedule hospital clinical time. Dr. Slattery suggested that the clinical portion be competency-based as opposed to a set length of time. Dr. Carrison agreed that demonstrating competency was an excellent suggestion and appointed a task force to further investigate clinical hour requirements. The task force was asked to present their findings at the next Education Committee meeting.

C. Discussion of Revisions to Skills Proficiency Record

Philis Beilfuss felt that many skills on the Proficiency Record didn't belong there. Ms. Beilfuss stated that repeating certain skills (bandaging, splinting) on an annual basis was redundant and that more consideration should be given to the less used, more complex skills such as traction splints and KEDs. Dr. Carrison made a motion to accept the revised Skills Proficiency Record. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ONLY

Dr. Carrison expressed interest in forming a pediatric airway task force and asked for volunteers. Dr. Carrison noted that Dr. Alex Malone, an airway specialist, and Dr. Slattery had already expressed interest. Dr. Carrison noted the amount of talent available in the various committees and urged members to participate.

IV. PUBLIC APPEARANCE/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Carrison adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.