MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

DRUG/DEVICE/PROTOCOL (DDP) COMMITTEE

July 11, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jason Driggars, AMR
Chief Troy Tuke, CCFD
Derek Cox, LVFR
Steve Johnson, MWA
Chelsea Monge, Community Ambulance
Frank Simone, NLVFD
Steven Carter, AMR
Jarrod Johnson, DO, MFR
Jim Kindel, BCFD
David Slattery, MD, LVFR
Shawn Tobler, MFR
Kim Moore, HFD
August Corrales, JTM

MEMBERS ABSENT

Daniel Rollins, MD, BCFD
Shane Race, Mercy Air
Mike Barnum, MD, Chairman, AMR
K. Alexander Malone, MD, NLVFD
Tressa Naik, MD, HFD
Shane Splinter, HFD

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Christian Young, M.D., EMSTS Medical Director
Michelle Stanton, Recording Secretary
Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Steve Krebs, UMC
Jim McAllister, LVMS
Fernando Juarez, NLVFD
Daniel Llamas, HCA
Rebecca Carmody, Community Ambulance
Carl Bottorf, Life Guard Int’l
Chris Racine, LVFR
Tony Greenway, VHS

CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

The Drug/Device/Protocol Committee convened in the Red Rock Conference Room at the Southern Nevada Health District on Wednesday, June 06, 2018. Vice-Chairman Troy Tuke, called the meeting to order at 09:09 a.m. The Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Vice-Chairman Tuke 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. Vice-Chairman Tuke asked if anyone wished to address the Committee pertaining to items listed on the Agenda. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.
II. CONSENT AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Tuke stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the Drug/Device/Protocol Committee 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 06, 2018

Vice-Chairman Tuke asked for a motion to approve the June 06, 2018 minutes of the Drug/Device/Protocol Committee meeting. A motion was made by Member Corrales, seconded by Member Simone and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Review/Discuss the Following Protocols
   1. Prehospital Death Determination
   2. Termination of Resuscitation

   Dr. Slattery suggested adding the phrase, “On non-traumatic arrests only, document asystole on a cardiac monitor, or “No Shock Advised” on an AED if no cardiac monitor is available,” to the Prehospital Death Determination Protocol.

   After a lengthy discussion it was decided to table these protocols until the next scheduled meeting.

B. Review/Discuss Protocol Development for Use of IOs in Conscious but Critically Ill Patients

   Dr. Slattery informed the Committee that several years ago Henderson Fire Department (HFD) conducted a pilot project using IOs in conscious, critically ill patients. Those providers found that there were patients with difficult IV access where this is a valuable tool, e.g. patients with a history of IV drug use and some diabetics. He suggested creating a protocol.

   Chief Moore confirmed that there has been tremendous success using this procedure and she is unaware of any problems occurring in the last year. She told the Committee that HFD has a training module and guidelines that she will share with the agencies.

   This item will be brought back at the next scheduled meeting for further review.

C. Review/Discuss Possible Changes to the Burns Protocol

   Member Corrales distributed a draft of suggested changes to the Burns Protocol which would have it match the American Burn Association 2017 guidelines more closely. One suggestion is adding lactated ringers which is beneficial in treating burnt and damaged tissue.

   Vice-Chairman Tuke stated that he would like more information before voting on any changes to the current protocol to include information such as cost and how often the lactated ringers have been used.

   It was decided to table this item until the next scheduled meeting for further discussion.

D. Review/Discuss Trauma Transport Data

   Ms. Palmer brought forward the trauma data as requested by this committee at a prior meeting. She stated that she studied 11,000 trauma calls using the guidelines provided; ground transports only and transports less than five miles from destination. She found to have only 10 calls meeting the criteria and none of those patients received TXA.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY

Vice-Chairman Tuke asked if there were any informational items to be discussed.

   Member Simone introduced Fernando Juarez who is the new Healthcare Coordinator for North Las Vegas Fire Department. He was welcomed by all.

   Vice-Chairman Tuke asked if anyone else would like to address the Committee. Seeing no one he closed this portion of the meeting.
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 include on an agenda as an item upon which may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Vice-Chairman Tuke asked if anyone wished to address the Committee pertaining to items listed on the Agenda. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Vice-Chairman Tuke called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Member Simone, seconded by Member Cox and carried unanimously to adjourn at 10:27 am.