



MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

DRUG/DEVICE/PROTOCOL COMMITTEE

February 05, 2014 – 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chief Troy Tuke, Clark County Fire Department	Eric Dievendorf, EMT-P, AMR
Rick Resnick, EMT-P, MFR	Derek Cox, EMT-P, LVF&R
Brandon Hunter, EMT-P, MWA	August Corrales, EMT-P
Frank Simone, EMT-P, NLVFD	Dorita Sondereker, Mercy Air
David Slattery, M.D., LVF&R	Tressa Naik, M.D., Henderson Fire Dept
Clem Strumillo, EMT-P, Community Amb.	

MEMBERS ABSENT

Jarrod Johnson, DO, Chairman, MFR	Eric Anderson, MD, MWA
Rebecca Dennon, EMT-P, JTM	Chief Scott Vivier, Henderson Fire Dept

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Christian Young, MD, Acting Chairman, EMSTS Medical Director	
John Hammond, EMS Field Representative	Judy Tabat, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Steve Krebs, MD, UMC	Mike Barnum, MD, AMR
Scott Morris, North Las Vegas Fire Dept	Steven Carter, EMT-P, AMR
Victor Montecerin, EMT-P, LVAPEC	Jim McAllister, EMT-P, LVMS
Bob Valdez	Steve Johnson, EMT-P, MedicWest
Sarah McCrea, EMT-P, LVF&R	Gerry Julian, EMT-P, Mercy Air
Robert Whitaker, EMT-P, Mercy Air	Magen Morris, CSN
Mike Seminoff, CSN	Jason Burkhart, MWA
Tiffany Paquet, CSN	Hanna Kalb, CSN
Veronika Vavrova, CSN	Andy Totenniessen, LVAPEC
Isiah Tureaud, LVAPEC	Michael Lipetri, LVAPEC
Ian Beaman, CSN	Holden Myers, LVAPEC
William Hicks, CSN	Oscar Ogaldez, Jr., CSN
Boyd Strassburg, CSN	Jordan Spears, MWA
Anna Long, CSN	Ashley Sheely, CSN

CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

The Drug/Device/Protocol Committee convened in Conference Room 2 at The Southern Nevada Health District on Wednesday, February 05, 2014. Acting Chairman Christian Young, M.D. called the meeting to order at 10:41 a.m. The Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Acting Chairman Young 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. Acting Chairman Young 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

Acting Chairman Young 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.

Minutes Drug/Device/Protocol Committee Meeting, December 04, 2013

Acting Chairman Young asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the December 04, 2013 Drug/Device/Protocol Committee meeting. Motion made by Member Corrales, seconded by Member Simone and carried unanimously.

III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Review of Cardiac Arrest Protocols

Dr. Young reported that a DDP Workshop was held prior to this meeting and reiterated the list of recommended changes for the Cardiac Arrest Protocols.

Cardiac Arrest Non Traumatic (Adult CCC CPR)

Housekeeping changes

Add language “or ineffective CPR” to If Unwitnessed by EMS

Add language “or effective CPR being performed” to If Witnessed by EMS

Truncate the algorithm to just reflect the initiation of compressions; application of AED; reassessing every 2 minutes and then putting in branch points to the appropriate rhythm based protocol.

Cardiac Arrest Non Traumatic (Pediatric)

Move “Hypoxia cause of arrest” box to address as a priority prior to CPR

Strike “Continuous Chest Compressions”

Add “Resource and Age Appropriate CPR”

Remove “Address H’s & T’s” from protocol and list them in the Educational Pearl for causes of arrest.

Dr. Young asked for a motion to approve the Cardiac Arrest Protocols for both Adult and Pediatric with the stated changes with the understanding that there will be a final review at the next meeting. Motion made by Member Corrales, seconded by Member Cox and carried unanimously.

B. Review of Failed Airway Protocols

Dr. Young advised the Committee that the Failed Airway Protocols will go back to workshop for further discussion.

C. Review of Spinal Immobilization Protocol

Dr. Young advised the Committee that the Spinal Immobilization Protocol will go back to workshop for further discussion.

D. Review of Procedure Protocols

Frank Simone asked the Committee to refer to their Procedure Protocols handout in their packet and stated that he was tasked to take the current procedures and publish them into the approved new format. He advised that any suggested changes or added language will be noted in red and the ones that are completely red are new procedures to consider for new protocols. He stated that he still has 2 procedures still in the works but everything that was agreed to regarding what procedures were needed is in this packet. He recommended that these be sent to workshop before coming back to this Committee for review and approval.

Dr. Young agreed and suggested breaking these up into groups during the workshop.

Dr. Young asked for a motion to send the proposed Procedure Protocols to workshop. Motion made by Member Simone, seconded by Member Hunter and carried unanimously.

E. Discussion of Education Pearls

Mr. Hammond reported that the Education Workshop met in January but didn't have time review the educational pearls so they will be scheduling subsequent workshops to continue to work on this task. Dr. Young questioned if the overall content has been narrowed down or if that is still up for discussion. Mr. Hammond stated that each treatment protocol will have its own educational pearl.

Dr. Young thanked Mr. Hammond for the update and added that when they go to workshop to explore these different options and then bring them back to this Committee for discussion, the ultimate intention is to finalize them and bring them to the MAB. A significant amount of work is done offline and the discussion happens at the workshop level so that is why workshops can take a lot of time. He stated that he will schedule a workshop for next month and asked the Committee to start working on schedules to make sure they can participate because it is so valuable to have their input. He added that he will continue to look around and maybe provide some other templates of other agencies for ideas when we come back to workshop.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY

None

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. Acting Chairman Young asked if anyone wished to address the Committee. Seeing no one, he closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, a motion was made by Member Naik, seconded by Member Dievendorf and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:51 a.m.