



## MINUTES

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

#### EDUCATION COMMITTEE

January 4, 2012—10:00 A.M.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Chief Scott Vivier, Chairman, Henderson Fire Dept.	Kelly Buchanan, MD, EMS Fellow
Jo Ellen Hannom, RN, Clark County Fire Dept	Eric Dievendorf, EMT-P, AMR
Chris Stachyra, EMT-I, MedicWest Ambulance	Gina Schuster, EMT-P, Community Ambulance
Bud Adams, College of Southern Nevada	Derek Cox, EMT-P, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue
Gerald Julian, EMT-P, Mercy Air	Ian Smith, EMT-P, NLVFD
Jason Meilleur, EMT-P Lifeguard Int'l (alt)	

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Mary Levy, RN, CCUPP	Dale Carrison, DO, Clark County Fire Dept.
Greg Fusto, UMC	Donna Miller, LifeGuard International

#### SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Rory Chetelat, EMS Manager	John Hammond, EMS Field Representative
Mary Ellen Britt, Regional Trauma Coordinator	Trish Beckwith, EMS Field Representative
Judy Tabat, Recording Secretary	

#### PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Eric Anderson, MD, MedicWest Ambulance	Larry Johnson, EMT-P, MedicWest
Chief John Higley, Mesquite Fire & Rescue	K. Alex Malone, MD, NLVFD
David Slattery, MD, LVFD	Scott Morris, EMT-I, NLVFD
Jeff Buchanan, EMT-P, NLVFD	Rebecca Dennon, EMT-P, CCUPP
Chief Troy Tuke, Clark County Fire Dept	Steve Johnson, EMT-P, MedicWest
Christian Young, MD, Boulder City Fire Dept	Larry Johnson, EMT-P, MedicWest
Jarrold Johnson, DO, Mesquite Fire & Rescue	Tricia Klein, EMT-P, NCTI
Richard Main, EMT-P, NCTI	Mike Maute, Guardian Elite
Chris Baker, RN, TriState CareFlight	

## **CALL TO ORDER – NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA**

The Education Committee convened in the Clemens Conference Room at the Ravenholt Public Health Center on Wednesday, January 4, 2012. Chief Vivier called the meeting to order at 10:21 a.m. The Affidavit of Posting, Mailing of Agenda, and Public Notice of the Meeting Agenda were executed in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chief Vivier noted that a quorum was present.

### **I. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **II. CONSENT AGENDA**

Chief Vivier stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the Education 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 Education Committee Meeting September 7, 2011

Chief Vivier asked for approval of the minutes of the September 7, 2011 meeting. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes as written.

### **III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

#### Discussion of SNHD CME's for Agencies

Chief Vivier started off the discussion by stating that there is only one item on the agenda and turned the meeting over to Dr. Buchanan.

Dr. Buchanan presented a proposal for a standardized CME curriculum throughout Clark County where there is shared responsibility among all the agencies. The goals for the EMS County-wide CME curriculum would be to provide high-quality, evidence-based, standardized CME's, reduce the work of individual agencies and provide free CME's to the provider. She then presented a sample curriculum and stated the idea was to select 10 to 15 topics that were meant to be approximately 2 hour CME's and have those topics divided up between the agencies. Each individual agency would then be responsible for reviewing the literature and text books for information on that topic; put together the anatomy, physiology and the drugs associated with the topic and determine how it gets incorporated into the protocols. It would then be brought back to the Education Committee the month prior to launch to be reviewed and approved and then disseminated out the same way the education for the new protocols were rolled out.

Chief Vivier felt that this was a great idea and stated that he enjoyed the challenge of the valley wide education rollout and that as it was developed, they truly did learn a lot and the collaboration did make a better product.

Mr. Cox agreed and recommended that they start with a small workgroup, pick one topic and with a collaborative effort come up with ideas and timelines so that they can get a feel collectively on how this will go moving forward rather than assigning certain agencies topics at this time. He added that every agency is doing continuing education but sometimes what is missing is the continuous quality improvement. He would like to get QI involved with some of this so we can identify the issue, do some education, and see if it made a difference and close the loop.

Dr. Buchanan recommended using the educational pearls and follow-up presentations that have been pulled from some of the QI cases that have been presented at the QI Directors meeting and placed on the Health District's website. The QI Cases have been scrubbed of all personal information that hopefully people can review and actually learn from and as we start to accumulate those we can pull topics that have been presented and we can actually put that together as a teaching packet.

Ian Smith summarized that the objective would be a unified education approach to meet National Registry standards and the respective agencies can put on additional classes at their leisure but the core curriculum would be consistent. He stated that one of the biggest problem since the system has grown and personnel have traveled in different directions is that the message got lost in translation where if the message is brought back and taught consistently to every agency we may see a huge impact.

Chief Vivier stated that the motion was to approve a county wide CME curriculum that would be developed by the Education Committee and to move this to a workgroup to discuss topics, timelines and deadlines.

Ms. Hannom disagreed with this being core curriculum and recommended that it be just additional training, not structure.

Mr. Smith questioned why we wouldn't want to make some of these core concepts mandatory especially when there is a dual response system and have 2 experienced paramedics that can't agree on a treatment modality.

After much discussion it was decided to move this to a workgroup for further discussion and come back in one month with clear direction and guidelines.

A motion was made to develop an Education Workgroup to evaluate topics, schedules, curriculum and establish a timeline to present back to the Education Committee in one month. The Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Chief Vivier asked for volunteers to participate on this taskforce. Dr. Buchanan agreed to head the workgroup and the following agreed to participate:

Jo Ellen Hannom, Clark County Fire Department

Gina Schuster, Community Ambulance

Ian Smith, North Las Vegas Fire Department

Gerry Julian, Mercy Air

Dr. Eric Anderson

Bud Adams, College of Southern Nevada

Eric Dievendorf, American Medical Response

Derek Cox, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue

#### **IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ONLY**

Dr. Slattery asked Chief Vivier for an update on the preceptor form. Chief Vivier stated that the original goal was to have a train the trainer ready before the end of the year but the protocol rollout and the holidays have precluded that. He added that they will be meeting in February and the goal will be to finalize the train the trainer training and to offer that training as soon as possible for beta testing. The form needs to get out into preceptors hands so we know what works and what doesn't before we make any final changes.

#### **V. PUBLIC APPEARANCE/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION**

None.

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chief Vivier adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.