



MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

November 01, 2017 – 1:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Frank Simone, Chairman, NLVFD
Jim Kindel, BCFD
August Corrales, JTM
Samuel Scheller, GEMS
Chris Racine, LVFR
Shane Splinter, HFD

Steven Carter, AMR
Steve Johnson, MWA
Brandie Green, CSN
Jim McAllister, LVMS
Melanie Ondik, CA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Shane Race, Mercy Air
Daniel Rollins, MD, BCFD
Nicole Brown, Life Guard International

Chief Kim Moore, HFD
Don Abshier, CCFD
Jill Jensen, JTM

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Christian Young, MD, EMSTS Medical Director
Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor
Michelle Stanton, Recording Secretary

Gerald Julian, EMS Field Rep.
Scott Wagner, EMS Field Rep.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Rae Pettie, SNHD
Karen Dalmaso Hughey, AMR

David Slattery, MD

CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

The Education Committee convened in the Red Rock Conference Room at the Southern Nevada Health District on Wednesday, November 01, 2017. Chairman Frank Simone called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. The Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chairman Simone noted that a quorum was present.

Member Green arrived at 1:20 p.m.

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. Chairman Simone 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

Chairman Simone 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, April 05, 2017

Chairman Simone asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 05, 2017 Education Committee meeting. A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Carter and carried unanimously to approve the minutes as written.

III. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Review/Discuss Paramedic Mentorship/Internship Program

Frank Simone reported to the committee that on page 2, section B language has been added “using the Phase 3 – Paramedic Evaluation criteria.”

Member Johnson reminded the Chairman that the 90% referred to was approved to be changed to 80%, Chairman Simone agreed.

Ms. Palmer asked the committee if the new process is working in their agencies. Member Johnson expressed concern with the volume of paperwork involved and asked if all patient contacts are required to be documented during phase III of training. Chairman Simone advised him that only the ALS calls require documentation. Ms. Palmer added unsatisfactory events also need event forms completed. Chairman Simone suggests the statement read, “Every unsatisfactory patient contact or scenario and ALS contact requires completion of an event form.”

Chairman Simone asked for a motion to approve the changes to the Paramedic Mentorship/Internship Program A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Carter and carried unanimously.

B. Review/Discuss Alternate Destinations for Transfer of Mental Health Patients

Dr. David Slattery addressed the group. Dr. Slattery began by reminding the committee that the Psychiatric Patient Destination Protocol was approved by the Medical Advisory Board approximately two years ago. The goal of the protocol is to allow paramedics the opportunity to do a medical screening exam and transport patients directly to a mental health facility. When this was approved the committee agreed that training would be necessary and that video vignettes would be a good avenue to follow. Dr. Slattery stated that filming of the scenarios is scheduled for Monday, December 18th at CSN and he thanked member Green for the use of students for this filming. Once the filming is completed it will be brought back to this committee for review and then submitted to the Medical Advisory Board for final approval.

Member Ondik expressed concern that this protocol will not be followed. She stated that when her crews transport patients to mental health facilities they are turned away and asked to take the patient to a hospital for medical clearance.

Member Johnson suggested the protocol be adjusted to include telemetry contact with the receiving facility. Ms. Palmer suggested adding this item to the December Drug/Device/Protocol Committee meeting for approval.

Chairman Simone asked for a motion to accept the educational component of the Alternate Destinations for Transfer of Mental Health Patients Protocol. A motion was made by member Corrales, seconded by Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

C. Review/Discuss Revisions to the EMS Procedure Manual

Ms. Palmer advised the Committee that changes to the EMS Regulations were approved by the Board of Health in October and therefore changes to EMS procedures must also be made.

1. Instructor titles will be changed from Secondary Instructor to Instructor I and Primary Instructor to Instructor II. There will be a two-year period for individuals to transition.
2. Fire Service Instructor II certification has been added as a prerequisite for EMS Instructor II.
3. Instructor II skills must now be signed off by a Master Instructor.
4. The definition of a fire fighting agency vehicle has now been defined.

5. The procedure for initial education now states that an Instructor II must be present during all classes, Primary Instructors for the two-year transition period. Instructor I's cannot teach classes only skills.
6. The EMS office can audit 10% of Continuing Medical Education classes.
7. A fee may be charged for submitting CMEs by those who are not training facilities.
8. National Registry is no longer a requirement to become certified or licensed by the EMS office. Once education is verified or a certification from another state is verified to be in good standing the applicant can choose to either take the National Registry test or a Fisdap test that will be proctored through the EMS office. The fees to take the Fisdap test are \$21 for EMTs and \$26.25 for AEMTs and Paramedics. If an applicant fails the test the first time they have a second chance included in that fee.
9. A third test attempt has been added to the Instructor exams. It will be left to the agency's discretion if the applicant receives a third attempt.
10. A Nevada State Board of Education Licensed Instructor who has an EMT certification at the level they would be teaching can take the instructor exam and teach at a secondary institution. The applicant has to provide a letter of employment, pass the exam, and then they will be issued a certification that will allow them to teach only at that specific secondary institution.
11. There is a new CCT board certification.
12. Documentation for EMS/RN training must include dates, times, locations, and be signed off by the instructors who are monitoring that training. If training is done in a clinical setting it must be signed by the preceptor.
13. Fingerprinting will be required if it has been longer than two years since the last time fingerprints were acquired.
14. Rural CCFD locations can utilize volunteer ambulance drivers as long as they have had EVOT training and are CPR certified. They will not participate in any other patient care aside from providing CPR when necessary.

IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY

Chairman Simone asked if anyone had any informational items they wished to discuss. Seeing no one, he closed the Informational 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 included on an agenda as an item upon which may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chairman Simone 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, Chairman Simone called for a motion to adjourn. *A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Carter and carried unanimously by the Committee to adjourn the meeting at 2:34 p.m.*