



MINUTES
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM
MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
May 2, 2007 – 11:00A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Richard Henderson, M.D., Chairman, Henderson Fire Dept.	Brent Hall, EMT-P, Clark County Fire Dept. (Alt)
Chief Randy Howell, Henderson Fire Dept.	Brian Rogers, EMT-P, MedicWest Ambulance
Allen Marino, M.D., MedicWest Ambulance	Roy Carroll, American Medical Response (Alt)
David Daitch, D.O., Boulder City Fire Dept.	Thomas Geraci, D.O., Mesquite Fire & Rescue
Jon Kingma, EMT-P, Boulder City Fire Dept.	Chief David Petersen, Mesquite Fire & Rescue
Dale Carrison, D.O., Clark County Fire Dept.	David Slattery, M.D., Las Vegas Fire & Rescue
Chief Timothy Crowley, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue	E. P. Homansky, M.D., American Medical Response
K. Alexander Malone, M.D., North Las Vegas Fire Dept.	

MEMBERS ABSENT

Chief Russ Cameron, Clark County Fire Dept.	Robert Forbuss, American Medical Response
Chief Bruce Evans, North Las Vegas Fire Dept.	

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

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

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Davette Shea, R.N., Southern Hills Hospital	Jennifer Hall, American Medical Response
Kathy Banusevich, R.N., MountainView Hospital	Jackie Levy, R.N., University of Medical Center
Jo Ellen Hannom, R.N., Clark County Fire Department	Richard Main, EMT-P, American Medical Response
John Recicar, R.N., University Medical Center	Jason Meilleur, EMT-P, MedicWest Ambulance
Joseph Melchiode, MountainView Hospital	Larry Johnson, EMT-P, MedicWest Ambulance
Derek Cox, EMT-P, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue	Tom Cook, Montevista Hospital
Sandy Young, R.N., Las Vegas Fire & Rescue	

CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

The Medical Advisory Board convened in the Clemens Conference Room at the Ravenholt Public Health Center at 11:04 a.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 2007. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Richard Henderson. He stated that the Affidavit of Posting, Mailing of Agenda, and Public Notice of the Meeting Agenda were executed in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Chairman Henderson noted that a quorum was present.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Henderson stated the Consent Agenda consisted of matters to be considered by the Medical Advisory Board that can be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board member request. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval. A motion for Board approval of the following item on the Consent Agenda was made, seconded, and carried unanimously.

- A. Minutes Medical Advisory Board Meeting April 4, 2007

II. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Joint Drug & Device and Procedure/Protocol Committee

1. Discussion of Addition of Continuous Positive Pressure Device to the Official Air Ambulance, Ground Ambulance & Firefighting Agency Inventory

Dr. Allen Marino reported the Joint Committee addressed the idea of utilizing the CPAP in the field. North Las Vegas Fire Department is intending to conduct a trial of the device and report back its findings. It was agreed to permit all other transport agencies to also conduct a trial provided the appropriate paperwork is filed with the SNHD EMSTS office.

2. Discussion of Revisions to BLS/ILS/ALS Protocols

Dr. Marino reported the Joint Committee reviewed the first 88 pages of the draft protocol manual. He noted that it's a work in progress that includes changes to the Morphine and Lasix doses. The Joint Committee will meet again and bring back a draft document for the MAB to review.

III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ONLY

- A. Trauma System Development Update

Mary Ellen Britt reported the Regional Trauma Advisory Board has endorsed the Clark County Trauma System Regulations. The regulations will be going to the Board of Health for adoption on May 24th.

Mr. Chetelat noted that Mary Ellen Britt is preparing to meet with the State Health Division to review the draft regulations and to discuss the interface between the Clark County Trauma Regulations and the Nevada Administrative Code related to trauma.

- B. Notification Process at Sunrise Trauma Center

Ms. Britt stated that Tim Crowley would address questions raised by Sunrise Hospital regarding trauma center notification. Mr. Crowley stated that Sunrise currently has a second radio in the emergency department to receive trauma calls. He explained that once a fleet map has been decided on, the radios can all be re-programmed to reflect the names of each hospital; currently the channel for Sunrise Trauma is not labeled as such. The process should be completed within the next six months.

- C. List of Receiving Facilities Fax Numbers

Ms. Britt reported that an issue of concern was brought forth at the last Regional Trauma Advisory Board meeting. Reports that are faxed to receiving facilities are not reaching their destination at the emergency departments. She noted that the EMSTS office created an updated contact list which includes names, phone numbers and fax numbers for each hospital. An electronic copy will be distributed to all provider agencies.

- D. Update on EMS Instructor Symposium

Trish Beckwith reported that the EMS Instructor Symposium had a great turnout. There were various speakers from the community. She is hopeful that next year's symposium will be bigger and better with more support. Ms. Beckwith noted there was positive feedback from the participants and she thanked the EMSTS staff for their support.

Mr. Chetelat remarked that EMS Regulations require EMS Instructors to attend an annual educational session offered by SNHD. The EMSTS office is currently working on putting a program together and will notify the training centers when that happens.

E. Notice of 2007 EMS Responder of the Year Award Ceremony

Ms. Beckwith reported that EMS Week is May 20th-May 26th. EMS Responder of the Year nomination forms were sent out electronically to all the agencies. The awards will be presented at a ceremony to be held on Thursday, May 24th at 1:00 p.m. in the SNHD Clemens Room. Ms. Beckwith stated that the nomination forms need to be submitted to her no later than May 15th.

Dr. Alexander Malone announced that as of April the North Las Vegas Fire Dept. EMS Unit is operational in support of North Las Vegas Police Special Weapons & Tactics Units. He announced that he is the Medical Director, Chief Jimmy Johnson is the Director of Operations and the EMS Leader is Chief Bruce Evans. He noted that the Clark County protocols will be followed.

Dr. Homansky inquired about the manner in which the decision to eliminate Lidocaine was communicated to the EMS providers. He expressed the importance of improving the education process subsequent to protocol revisions.

Dr. Marino reported that MedicWest Ambulance invited the D.E.A. to conduct an elective audit of their controlled substance accounting processes three weeks ago. He noted that it went well and commended Ron Tucker for his efforts. Dr. Marino encouraged everyone to go through the same exercise as it clarifies the required process.

Brian Rogers stated that Las Vegas Mental Health has contracted with WestCare to handle all patient transports out of emergency rooms. WestCare will be taking control when their vehicle arrives to pick up the patient until the time the patient arrives at Las Vegas Mental Health. Mr. Rogers noted that they are still in a transition phase but expects the process to be in full swing in the next couple of weeks. Mr. Rogers also noted that MedicWest will continue to transport violent patients.

IV. PUBLIC APPEARANCE/CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None.

V. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, Chairman Henderson called for a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn at 11:20 a.m.