

**TIDEWATER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL, INC.  
EDUCATION & TRAINING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Date:** January 17, 2018

**Meeting Location:** TEMS

**Chaired By:** Ray Willet

**Begin Time:** 9:30 a.m.    **End Time:** 11:30 a.m.    **Minutes Submitted By:** David Long

**Members Present:** David Long, Mike McMahon, Ray Willet, Debbie Brennaman, Christie Budy, Terri Christman, Christopher Payne, John Walker, Jay Porter, Samantha Ryan, Amanda Pulley, Jason Ambrose, Daniel Brooks, and Forrest Winslow

| <b>Item</b>                               | <b>Discussion</b>  | <b>Action Required</b>   | <b>By Whom/When</b>   |
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| Introductions                             | A brief introduction that allowed for members attending to introduce themselves and the agency they represent to the committee.  | N/A  | N/A   |
| Committee Minutes                         | Review and approval of previous meeting minutes  | N/A  | N/A   |
| EMS Educational Programs                  | a. Quarterly Training Schedule for 2018 – Following discussion, it was confirmed that the following dates are recommended: March 28 – Ultrasound; working with SonoSite to determine the possibility of offering the training. Don Byars and Barry Knap with EVMS may be an option.  | Identify location and presenter for March                      | Long/McMahon  |
| Medical Operations Committee Initiatives  | a. Nothing to report/discuss   | N/A  | N/A   |
| Operational Medical Directors Initiatives | a. Sanctioning exam – provided update that questions were being entered into Moodle.<br>b. Regional Medical Protocols – a draft review schedule was provided for review. Committee members recommended presenting this review schedule to MOC and OMD committees.<br>c. There was discussion regarding forming a workgroup to provide a single protocol in three different formats. Following consensus from the committee, the sample protocols will be sent in a survey to providers. Further, the discussion suggested devising a method for capturing suggestions from field providers for new protocols or revision to existing protocols.                    | N/A<br><br>Presentation to MOC and OMD<br><br>Form a workgroup | N/A<br><br>Ray Willet<br><br>Long, McMahon, Winslow         |
| Performance Improvement Initiatives       | a. Time Sensitive Emergencies – STEMI, Stroke, and Trauma. PI data suggests there is room for improvement regarding decreasing on-scene times<br>b. BE-FAST is on hold until after Stroke Conference.  | Specifics to follow  | Winslow/Budy  |
| New/Unfinished Business                   | a. The committee recommended discussing the ALS Sanctioning Policies and Procedures following the next committee meeting 02212018.<br>b. There was a discussion regarding the Combative Patient Protocol. A workgroup will conduct research regarding a tweak or rewrite of the protocol.<br>c. Difficulty Breathing protocol was reviewed and determined that the Epinephrine dosage was indeed a typo.<br>d. Pediatric Cardiac Arrest was reviewed and discussion regarding EMTs defibrillating a pediatric patient. The intent of the protocol was to delineate manual defibrillation done by Intermediates and Paramedics; EMTs can defibrillate using an AED. | Research<br><br>Make correction<br><br>Make correction         | Long, Budy, McMahon<br>McMahon/Coulling<br>McMahon/Coulling |

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| Roundtable   | <p>Jason provided the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The state TCC committee endorsed a proposal to remove CPR as a pre-req for enrolling in an EMT course. The proposal changes this to a co-req. The committee also voted to amend the existing policy that specifically listed the approved CPR programs. The revision lists the required skills an “acceptable” CPR program must cover, but no longer identifies which programs are/are not acceptable. It will become the role of the EC to ensure students are receiving CPR certification by an organization that meets or exceeds the requirements in policy. The proposal goes forward to MDC and the GAB.</li> <li>b. Also at the state TCC meeting, changes to CTS testing was discussed. KED is no longer a random skill station and should be removed from testing. There was discussion regarding the use of SpO2 and ETCO2 in EMT stations. Scenarios are being written to include the need for EMTs to assess these values and use them to better inform treatment. OEMS has not yet decided how best to simulate these devices...no timeline provided.</li> <li>c. The recent emergency drug access act signed by POTUS has some real implications to how we currently provide EMS in Virginia as it does seem to indicate that a regional drug box exchange program delegated to hospital pharmacies is not allowed. I am significantly less informed about this act and the implications so would direct question to OEMS/Dr. Lindbeck who have a better working knowledge of the Act.</li> </ul> | N/A                    | N/A                 |
| Next Meeting | The Education & Training Committee meeting will be held on February 21 17, 2018 at the Virginia Beach EMS Office at 9:30am.  | N/A                    | N/A                 |
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