



**Tidewater EMS Council, Inc.**  
**EMS Medical Operations Committee**  
**Minutes – June 06, 2019**

**Attendance**

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Member's Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Member's Name</u>	<u>Present</u>
Accomack	Charles Pruitt		John Greer	
Northampton	Hollye Carpenter		Ed Leonard	<u>X</u>
Chesapeake	Thom Schwalenberg	<u>X</u>	Forrest Winslow	
Franklin	Vince Holt		Tim Dunn	
Norfolk	Dan Norville		Greg DeYoung	<u>X</u>
Portsmouth	Jeff Meyers, Chair	<u>X</u>	Amy Ward	<u>X</u>
Suffolk	Ray Willet		Rainey Dail	
Virginia Beach	Kevin Lipscomb	<u>X</u>	Ed Brazle	
Isle of Wight	Jeff Terwilliger		Chris Smith	<u>X</u>
Southampton	Terri Bolton		Timothy Dunn	
ED Nurse Mangers			Frankie Hoffer	
ED Physician	Paul Roszko			
Pharmacist	Jessi Sandin		Danielle Bouldin	
Hosp. Administrator	Ralph Rosignolo			
TCC	Jason Ambrose			
Public Health	John Cooke		Larry Hill	
Commercial EMS	Anthony Wilson			
Special Operations	Dennis Keane	<u>X</u>		
Fed Fire/Navy EMS	Christopher Payne		Anthony Sickell	
Nightingale	Denise Baylous			
CHKD Transport Team	Jamie Carter		Cheryl Deschaine	
HRMMRS	Stephanie Hackett			
TEMS Staff	David Coulling	<u>X</u>	Jay Porter	
TEMS Staff	David Long	<u>X</u>	Judy Shuck	
TEMS Staff	Mike McMahon	<u>X</u>		
TEMS Board				
OEMS	Wayne Berry	<u>X</u>		
<u>Guests</u>				
<u>Jurisdiction / Agency</u>	<u>Guest's Name</u>		<u>Guest's Name</u>	
Lifecare	Ken Franklin			
MARA	Wendi Kemp			
VBEMS	Christi Budy			

**Welcome and Introductions:**

Jeff Meyer welcomed the committee and the April 10, 2019 minutes were approved as written.

**Performance Improvement:**

Mike McMahon reported the following

- RACE
  - CFD and NFR have been using it
  - Receiving facilities do not always know how to interpret RACE score
  - No prehospital diversions yet
  - Need to develop system to check in receiving facility/facility diverted to has space for LVO patient

**Awards/Picnic Workgroup:**

- David Coulling reminded the group that the Awards presentation is scheduled for this Sunday, the 16<sup>th</sup> at Harbor Park. First pitch will be at 1:05pm. Registration deadline is June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.
- David Long discussed with the group the wishes of the executive committee to host a formal awards recognition program during the Educational Expo.

**OMD Committee:**

Mike McMahon reported the following. Please keep in mind that this process is forecasted to happen late fall to early 2020.

- Pharmacy suggested removing Ativan from drug boxes as it has as shorter shelf-life than Versed
  - No different in effectiveness or cost

- Motion to remove Ativan was made, approved by vote
- Protocols will be updated to reflect this change
- Replace Ativan with versed in protocols
- Ketamine concentration will be 50 mg/mL for region
  - Recommended concentration by pharmacy
- D10 in protocol updates
  - 250 mL bag of 0.1 g/mL D10
  - 0.5 g/kg or 5 mL/kg for regional protocols
  - Remove D50 from red and orange boxes, have only 1 250 mL bag in orange box; no D10 or D50 in red box
  - Motion made to change this, approved by vote
- A regional OMD asked why Labetalol was not in protocols
  - Not necessary for EMS
  - Commercial agencies can pick up Labetalol from sending facility on transports that may require it

#### **Education Workgroup:**

Christy gave a presentation:

- Idea to remove Lasix was brought forward to TEMS
  - Monitor regional Lasix use for one year while checking provider narratives to determine patient outcome when Lasix used
  - Make decision after data has been gathered
  - Effective June 30 th the CE auxiliary program will be terminated.

#### **Pharmacy:**

- David Coulling updated the group of the Ketamin shortage which might not be resolved until 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2020.

#### **MCI Working Group Activities & Membership –**

- David Long recommended that the MCI workgroup be elevated to a standing committee. Pending board approval.

#### **OEMS:**

- Wayne Berry reported that OEMS is trying to develop a program for Designated Infection Control. Kathrine West is scheduled to retire in the near future. Further guidance will be on the states website.
- July 1<sup>st</sup> background checks and fingerprinting will be handled by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party.

#### **Old Business:**

- David Coulling reported that a total of 18 million dollars in grant funds were awarded to throughout the state to 148 agencies.

#### **New Business:**

- Handtevy: TEMS would like OMDs to push for their agencies to generate a training plan/schedule that can be submitted to TEMS to meet contract obligations with state. 35 regional instructors trained at the Expo

#### **Jurisdiction Reports/ Medical Trends:**

- **PFR** – Starting June 3<sup>rd</sup> Navy Regional Medical Center will accept civilian ALS stable and unstable patients.
  - Maryview Labor and Delivery will close its doors June 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - Active threat training will start July 1st
- **TEMS** - Status of commercial agencies within region
  - Involve commercial agencies in regional MCI training in case of MCI
  - TEMS would like unified/regional buy-in to protocols and box exchange program
  - Get ALL agencies trained to same level and standards
  - Include commercial agencies in committee meetings and establish their own committee
  - Included commercial agencies in box exchange fees

**Announcements / Dates to Remember – please see [www.tidewaterems.org](http://www.tidewaterems.org)**

***The next Medical Operations Committee Meeting will be held August 14, 2019 at 12 noon at the TEMS office.***