

**TIDEWATER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.  
STROKE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** October 12, 2017      **Meeting Location:** TEMS Office      **Chaired By:** (absent – facilitated by Jay Porter)  
**Begin Time:** 2:30 p.m.    **End Time:** 3:30 p.m.    **Minutes Submitted By:** Jay Porter

**Members Present:** Jay Porter, Amanda Pulley, Ashley Northam, Victoria Bagwell, Ray Willet, Forrest Winslow, Shelia DeYoung, Greg DeYoung, Anthony Judkins, Amy Smith-Peard, Lee Hicks, Sarah Cullen, Cassandra Andrews, Jason Kinlaw, Maggie Ortiz, Christopher Payne, Ross Reitz, K Lanier, J Agola, Eric Snover, Dell Brooks and Kim Warren

<b>Item (Project)</b>	<b>Discussion (Status)</b>	<b>Action Required</b>	<b>Barriers</b>	<b>By Whom/When</b>
Introductions and Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes approval</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introductions made by all in attendance.</li> <li>• Motion made, seconded and minutes approved as written</li> </ul>		
Case presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Young strokes -</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stroke Case – transfer case was presented by Karah Lanier and John Agola which was a case that involved a younger male and was a transfer in to Sentara Norfolk General with statistics about the prevalence of young stroke populations. Transfer from SVBGH to SNGH and his treatment and outcome. Brief discussion about RACE and large vessel occlusion identification. There was a delay in care due to the initial transport to SVBGH instead of directly to SNGH, opportunity to improve the LVO patients and their treatment moving to the RACE program.</li> </ul>		

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PEMS presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RACE implementation and process</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An excellent presentation was given the group by the PEMS Neuro-interventional Radiologist physician that spearheaded the RACE program and implementation of the program within the PEMS region. She covered in detail RACE and how it affects the treatment of LVO stroke patients.</li> <li>Sarah stated that there is a need to have a meeting to discuss the BFAST and RACE program within the TEMS region to bring all of the stakeholders together to discuss and look at implementing a program within the TEMS region. Going to take ownership and commitment to move towards the implementation and using the RACE evaluation to make decisions on the transport destination.</li> <li>Need to come up with maps similar to the STEMI maps of the region regarding the transport times of stroke patients.</li> <li>Plan is to move forward with the process of utilizing RACE and not making transport decisions based on the RACE score at this time</li> <li>Training is out there and we are able to utilize what has already been developed instead of reinventing the training.</li> <li>Reminder that RACE is a score of 0-9 because not scoring each extremity separately</li> <li>Old deficits are not included in the RACE, they are scored as 0, only new deficits are graded</li> <li>Rural areas that are hampered by the implementation</li> <li>New technologies that are being used by various systems</li> <li>Formation of a small workgroup to discuss the program with formation of a completed program to roll out; Ja Porter obtained names of interested parties and will send out doodle poll to set up a meeting.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
Facility Transfer Form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved and able to use</li> <li>Need to ensure dissemination</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The form has been approved for use in the region by the OMD group and is available for use by all of the agencies that transfer stroke patients.</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>

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Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• July Stroke task force update               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Next meeting Oct 20-Richmond. EMS is welcome!</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
Next Meeting	The NEXT Stroke PI Committee meeting will be on 12/14/2017 at the TEMS Office at 2:30pm.	N/A	N/A	N/A