| Committee Minutes | Clinical Issues Committee Meeting |
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| Date | March 15, 2021 |
| Time | 10:00 am CST |
| Location | WebEx Videoconference |
| Participants | Members present: Dr. Joe Holley, Joshua Ball, Timothy Booher, Angela Bowen, Dr. Kevin Brinkman, Dr. Bracken |
| | Burns, John Dabbs, Dwight Davis, Jeffrey Feike, Kevin Nooner, Dr. Mike Revelle, Gary Ross, Kevin Spratlin, Randy |
| | White, Brandon Ward, Chip Cook, Rob Seesholtz |

| Overall Lead | Topic | Summary / Decision | Assignments / Next Steps | Responsible Person | Time Frame |
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| Dr. Joe Holley | Roll Call | The meeting was called to order by Dr. Holley. Tory Ferguson conducted a roll call and a quorum was present. | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Tim Booher | Recognition | Recognition of Brandon Ward for 2020 TASA President's Award. | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Dr. Joe Holley | Old Minutes | No minutes were recorded and presented for approval. Will present minutes from the previously recorded meeting. | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| Dr. Joe Holley | Old Business | Off-Load Protocol Have been utilizing an alert system in West Tennessee to provide information to the hospitals when EMS reaches "Red" level where availability is critical or there are EMS calls holding. This has seemed to improve turn-around times in that region. This issue seems to be getting worse in West Tennessee. Brandon presented information on a system that provides off-load data in real time as part of THAN. Currently being beta tested and hopeful to implement in next 30 days. | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | | COVID-19 Impacts Numbers are dropping daily, and hospital capacity is in yellow range. EMS office was allowed to attend the TASA mid-winter conference. Continued concerns over variant strains. Currently at 19% vaccination rate across Tennessee. | n/a | n/a | n/a |

| Memphis Fire will be participating in program to vaccinate home-bound individuals and willing to share any information with other agencies. There have been some difficulties with the logistics of this program, including vaccine storage requirements. Under EMS rules, EMS staff providing vaccinations must be under the direction of the Health Department and individuals must have completed training. The State is continuing to work to facilitate EMS involvement in the vaccination plans. NAEMSP The Tennessee Chapter of NAEMSP will be presenting at the TEMSEA conference in July 2021 on ketamine and best practices in much of a Medical Director Workshop type of presentation. Dr. Holley requested to send any other topics of discussion to him for inclusion in the update presentation. EMT Administration of nebulized albuterol Motion by Jeffrey Feike with second by Tim Booher to accept proposal to allow EMTs to administer nebulized albuterol. Discussion included need to have service-level education and competency on this practice. Discussion on the ability for EMTs to treat any side effects of albuterol. There is education provided regarding | | | | |
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| | Brinkmann can elicit feedback from COPEC on | | | |
| | this change. Concerns were raised on presenting this information to the EMS Board with incomplete | | | |
| | information. Limited information on the proposal | | | |
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| | was available for discussion regarding frequency of occurrence/need. Motion was tabled until next | | | |
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| | meeting. | | | |
| | EMS World Magazine | , | , | , |
| New Business | Recognition of printed article submitted by Mr. | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | Dabbs and cover photo featuring Angie Bowen. | | | |
| | Clinical competencies | | | |
| | Dr. Holley will create a recommendation that the | | | |
| | Board support the development of a curriculum and | Present to | Brandon Ward | Next Board |
| | competency during annual audit for any approved | Board | Diandon ward | meeting |
| | clinical practice. Director Ward to include in his | | | |
| | report to the Board. | | | |
| | <u>Narcan</u> | | | |
| | Discussion related to the administration of Narcan | | | |
| | without an order by EMS personnel (on- or off- | m/o | n /o | 12 /0 |
| | duty). Narcan is readily available and could be | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | administered by trained lay personnel and EMS | | | |
| | personnel. | | | |
| | EMS Stroke Survey | | | |
| | Brian Wiseman and Debra Philpot presented on | | | |
| | behalf of the Stroke Taskforce. Taskforce decided | | | |
| | on a repeat survey with similar questions from the | | n/a | n/a |
| | 2016 survey. Survey was sent to the committee | n/a | | |
| | prior to meeting. Motion to endorse survey and | | | |
| | present to EMS Board for approval by Randy | | | |
| | White with second by Angela Bowen. Motion | | | |
| | carried by general consent. | | | |
| | Performance Measures | | | |
| | COPEC will be surveying agencies in Tennessee | | | |
| | regarding the current versions of the performance | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| | measures (presented in chat). | | | |
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| | Committee Secretary Lis Henley has been replaced by Kevin Nooner on this committee. Kevin volunteered to assume secretary role held by Lis. Committee approved by general consent. | n/a | n/a | n/a |
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| Adjournment | Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Holley after 1hr 28min. | n/a | n/a | n/a |

Minutes recorded and submitted by Kevin Nooner.