



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Emergency Medical Services - Medical Advisory Subcommittee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, July 11, 2022

12:00 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for
instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by
phone.

A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Kronenfeld at 12:05.

- Present** 11 - CHRIS CARBON, KACEY KRONENFELD, STEPHANIE LEHMANN, MIKE LOHMEIER, MIKE MANCERA, LISA SCHIMELPFENIG, TINA STRANDLIE, MEGAN GUSSICK, ERIC LANG, DR JOHN AGUILAR, and AURORA LYBEK
- Excused** 19 - SCOTT ALLAIN, SHERRY CASALI, DREW DEAN, KRISTEN DRAGER, TERESA FIEDT, PAUL HICK, MEL PEARLMAN, ERIN POLKINGHORN, JEFF POTHOF, ERIN RYAN, DAN WILLIAMS, DAVID PENA, CORY HROMOTKO, ABIGAIL DAHLBERG, JEFF VANBENDAGOM, BRANDON RYAN, GREG BAILEY, JOSH ROSS, and CHRIS WALTERS

*Guests: Liza Tatar, Michael Kim, Casey Jesberger, Chris Dennis, Jeremy McMullen,
Paul Logan, Colton Ritchie*

Staff: Carrie Meier, Eric Anderson, Zander Johnston, Denise Kelley

B. Consideration of Minutes

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Attachments: [MAS June Minutes](#)

A motion was made by GUSSICK, seconded by LANG, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Old Business

Patient movement in ED - Hovermatt

Tina with Stoughton Hospital advised they have hovermatts and would be willing to do a swap. Others advised would likely not be willing to swap, due to shortages within the hospitals. Carrie will reach out to the hospital liaisons.

ED Triage of EMS patients

This topic came up in May. EDs would like to keep handoff times to a minimum. Asking EMS if the patient can go to triage or not. Is there a guideline on what is triage appropriate? Triage is a gray area and may be difficult to come up with a clear cut guidance on when a patient is triage appropriate or not. Would like to put EMS in a better position when this is being requested.

Dr. Kronenfeld and Dr. Lohmeier will bring back a high level recommendation to the group in the next couple of months.

D. New Business

Trauma/STEMI/Stroke/SEPSIS Updates

Six month check-in with the coordinators after completing protocols.

Sepsis - Nothing from this overall, continue calling these in. EDs are seeing more sepsis alerts, this has been a positive thing. Knowing it is on EMS radar.

STEMI - Let EMS know the decision on why someone isn't going straight to the cath lab. Coordinators will also do follow up. This will keep the program alive and well.

Stroke - BE FAST Cheat sheet, stroke coordinators like it. Thank you Stoughton! If possible, get a phone number for a family member and give that at handoff, this allows staff to make contact with family right away, often there are communication barriers with stroke patients.

Trauma - For pediatric trauma, go straight to American Family Children's Hospital, unless a stop elsewhere is required. From an EMS perspective, thinking about DECON in the field and preparing for that early and make sure the hospitals are prepared for that.

New STAC (State Trauma Advisory Council) guidelines coming out. STAC and PAC are planning to voice support for the new ASC guidelines. The board will be reviewing the state EMS protocols and incorporating the changes into the state protocols.

COVID Discussion

Agencies curious on when the change from a pandemic response to a more endemic response may happen. Colton with PHMDC will come back with a better update next month. Based on current spikes, he envisions public health keeping the same status, until things remain more stable.

No changes from a hospital perspective.

Air Medical Dispatch thru 911

The Dane County EMS Association has composed a letter for 911 Communications to request that Air Medical Transportation (Med Flight) only be approved by the Lead EMS agency or the incident commander. In some situations, Med Flight is not the most appropriate transportation due to closeness to the hospitals or location of the scene. Air assets require several additional and dedicated resources for landing zone, etc. There have been a few incidents where Law Enforcement called for the Air asset and it created a bigger challenge to response. There was a long discussion regarding the possible change. The topic of education of law enforcement for when the air asset is appropriate was brought up. The letter is not to keep law enforcement from requesting the resource, just to verify that the Lead EMS agency or incident commander are agreeing with the use of the resource.

HPCPR Metrics

Eric will send out the document and it will be discussed further next month.

Recovery Coaches in ED

Working on a way to better connect overdose patients with a recovery coach. This is a program Safe Communities has been working on and it is not being utilized to the fullest. Safe Communities is pursuing different avenues for making the connection to the coach. Would like to better educate and remind the Hospitals of the coach and educating the EMS agencies of what the program is to make sure EMS check that a connection to a recovery coach has occurred. Carrie will make contact with all the ED medical directors to remind each of the program.

Epinephrine Dosing Reminders

Hospitals are aware of a couple of situations recently of patients getting too much Epi. With the shortage of Epi, talking with the medical advisors and having a message composed by them would be helpful. Trying to find some solutions to make sure concentrations are appropriate for the patients, working on concentration cards for reference. This is a critical issues, especially for pediatric patients. This issue covers cardiac arrest and anaphylaxis symptoms too. Dr. Kim will put together a flyer or bulletin to send to the newsletter group.

CADS Course opportunity

Lang gave a quick background on what the CADS course is. It is a course that tells EMS staff why they should write a report in a certain manner and what information is necessary to include. Helpful for patient care records and for billing standards. A course is being held in Cottage Grove.

E. Reports to Committee

Colton will give an update on monkeypox at the August meeting.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Monday, August 8, 2022.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Dr. Kim inquired about the discussion of membership for this subcommittee. No update at this time.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by MANCERA, seconded by LOHMEIER, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:31pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Denise Kelley, Emergency Management Planning Clerk III, pending Medical Advisory Subcommittee Approval.