



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, August 10, 2020

12:00 PM

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A. Call To Order

- Present** 10 - CHRIS CARBON, KRISTEN DRAGER, KACEY KRONENFELD, STEPHANIE LEHMANN, MIKE LOHMEIER, MIKE MANCERA, MEL PEARLMAN, TINA STRANDLIE, CORY HROMOTKO, and DR JOHN AGUILAR
- Absent** 20 - GRAHAM ADSIT, SCOTT ALLAIN, WILLIAM BALLO, SHERRY CASALI, DREW DEAN, TERESA FIEDT, PAUL HICK, AMANDA KITA-YARBO, ERIN POLKINGHORN, JEFF POTHOF, ERIN RYAN, LISA SCHIMELPFENIG, DAN WILLIAMS, MEGAN GUSSICK, DAVID PENA, XANDY LEHMANN, SARAH CUMMINGS, ABIGAIL DAHLBERG, ERIC LANG, and JEFF VANBENDAGOM

Guests: Casey Jesberger, Aurora Lybeck, John Aguilar, Greg Bailey

Staff: Carrie Meier, Eric Anderson, Courtney Wassertheurer

B. Consideration of Minutes

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C. Discussion Items

Newsletter

The Dane County EMS (DCEMS) office sent out the first newsletter reboot directly to members whose emails are in Dane Elite. It was also sent to the EMS Association members and district directors. Dr. Kronenfeld thanked the team for their work on it and asked any members to reach out to the office if they have any feedback or suggestions for future topics in the newsletter. Members are also asked to let DCEMS team know if there are any EMS members or agencies they would like to highlight in upcoming newsletters. Chief Lang asked how to get newsletter sent to Deer-Grove personnel since they do not use Dane Elite. Meier told him to send a list of emails to DCEMS team and they will send future newsletters directly to those members. EMS Chiefs were also encouraged to look at email lists of their members within Dane Elite to verify accuracy. Many emails had bounce-backs or typos. Eric Anderson will create a report for directors to pull contact info in order to review email addresses.

Data Update - Anderson

Anderson reported that 2018 call data has been loaded in for First Watch. In the last few weeks there have already been 3-4 cases that triggered the high-stress threshold that indicates follow up with crews may be needed. He encourages members to let DCEMS office know if there are any calls that they think should have triggered the response but didn't. Hromatko asked if pediatric cases are included in the critical incident trigger for follow up; Anderson says they are not yet but will make sure they are included in the trigger. Anderson also reports that the ECMO program has been expanding. He will be taking a closer look at all cases in which ECMO was activated or mentioned. This will include following up on any field calls for ECMO in which crews are told patient is not a candidate. Anderson also reports that DCEMS office has been monitoring the hospitals' capacities and PPE amounts. Agencies will continue receiving data snapshots once a month for their jurisdictions. Anderson encourages anyone who may have a data question to reach out to him.

Data/CQI Workgroup

A work group has been created to meet once or twice a month to analyze and discuss data for our county. It will also determine how to best utilize that data. Members in the group are Carrie Meier, Stacey Hanson, Eric Anderson, Paul Britton, Dr. Kronenfeld, Dr. Mancera, and Jeff Dostalek. The first meeting is August 19th.

COVID-19, PPE, Return to Work

Meier continues to host an EMS Chiefs meeting every other week, alternating weeks with the Public Safety Chiefs meeting. These meetings have updates from Public Health Madison and Dane County which includes data metrics and information on any new orders. The Public Safety Covid testing continues to be available to all personnel in public safety. Turnaround time for results are quick at 24-48 hours. These are scheduled through the month of September and have gone down to once a week. Return to work policies have not seen much change in the last couple months. The State PPE survey will be going out to providers and will include school nurses so they can order the supplies they anticipate needing for returning to school.

HPCPR

Dr. Kronenfeld and her team are finalizing an HPCPR video training. It will be made available as a resource virtually or to support in-person training. The DCEMS office also has HPCPR mannequins available for agencies to use.

Skills Competency Proctoring Sessions

DCEMS is hosting 2 sessions in September, one on September 9th from 1-5pm and the other on September 30th from 6-10pm with newer curriculum for proctors. Directors or training directors can register members by contacting the DCEMS office.

Simulation Sessions

Dr. Kronenfeld shares that the Simulation Sessions will resume, but with added challenges due to Covid. Starting in September, they will be held in 4 hour blocks. They will be limited to small groups at St. Mary's training center with sign up via DCEMS office.

County Based Training Calendar

A training calendar will be maintained for all agencies to access and view upcoming trainings all around the county. If members know of any upcoming training opportunities, they are encouraged to reach out to Courtney Wassertheurer to get them added to the calendar.

D. Presentations

National Institute of Health (NIH) - Dr. Michael Ward from UW Health is communicating with researchers from University of Michigan who are submitting to NIH in October to get funding for a study on cardiac arrest care. There would be potential for Dane County to be involved in this study, which would look at what responses to cardiac arrest have the best outcomes - obtaining ROSC at the scene, transporting right away, spontaneous ROSC, etc. If Dane County is selected, when we are notified may be contingent upon funding; possibly would not be until mid 2021. This would be a prospective study rather than retrospective. Research would guide in the creation of new protocols that would dictate best practice for when responders should transport during resuscitation efforts.

E. Reports to Committee

MATC - AEMT/Paramedic classes will go to a hybrid format. They will simulate clinical coordinating with the School of Health. There are still a few spots in paramedic, and AEMT is full.

Anderson - Updated the committee on the Democratic National Convention (DNC). It will be all virtual, but will allow 250 people to attend in person at the Wisconsin Center. There will be no VIPs.

Stoughton Hospital - The number of patients in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) has gone down, but number of patients in general has gone up.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjourn

Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Wassertheurer.