

EMSPC Meeting
Tuesday, July 19, 2011
Columbus Center, Room 106

Meeting called to order by Dr. Julie Fox 9:09

Approval of minutes from the May meeting: APPROVED, will be added to the website this afternoon.

CARES

Hope to implement nationwide and establish a national baseline that EMS agencies and hospitals can compare themselves to over time. Paul Patrick has committed to some funding in starting a statewide CARES project. Hopefully we will start the process of recruiting agencies and have the right/updated data fields in Polaris by the end of the year. EMR's, may be some tweaking to do to those. More information to come. We would be the first state in the country to go national.

Protocol Revisions

Stemi – Fixed typos, identifiers on 12-lead, patient's last name, first initial, age, gender, EMS identifier (department) date and time. Direct ambulance to another location, stemi divert protocol. Will bring up in another meeting with more hospital reps present.

EMT Defibrillation Auto – Added algorithms for adult and pediatric use of the auto defib. CPR should be initiated and AED should be ready, there should be no delay in shocks. Crews can change to their own defibrillator.

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BEMS Update

BEMS is going to create an A-EMT task force. The A-EMT is the EMS level that is at the most discussion right now. The Bureau's website has provided a Q/A section addressing some of the major questions people have had.

Standby, special events and activities. What does it mean, what agencies can participate.

Ambulance rates. The current 2011 ground ambulance rates, rule needs to be updated. Effective date looking at July 22. BEMS will notify EMS agencies as soon as it is approved.

New drug equipment list meets the standard of the new levels and AHA standards. The new list has accumulated all the variances that everyone had in place and put them together for everybody, most of which are optional items. Will be coming out

in official rule any day now, has to go through public comment for 30 days. A draft will be emailed to the 2B members.

30% of the grant money went to CME. Next year we are looking at the same amount for the competitive grant. Please let Raul know if somebody other than who is on the EMSPC list is the POC for grants: rogarcia@utah.gov

Rule Changes are in draft form. Reflects the training and certification of EMS levels, CME definitely new language in the rule. Will be emailed out to the 2B group to give advanced notice on changes.

Reaching out to agencies and hospitals, please let us know of someone that has committed a life saving/heroic act so they can be recognized.

2011 Utah Trauma Conference 8/19. Prehospital Data Conference 9/8

Divert

Everybody has been using the proper divert protocols and there no issues to discuss.

Financial Update

Our tax status is still on hold, still waiting for the online version for the 501cs. We have 27 months from the time we became a corporation until we have to have it filled out.

Four agencies have sent in checks for the assessment, takes a while for the checks to work their way through the mail system at SMH.

Other Business

Legislature is going to propose a bill that will give the authority to the ME to take care of highway traffic fatalities. Hope the bill will pass the legislative session in January. Will also bring this issue up in Joint Council and the State Fire Chiefs meeting.

New Business

EMS Conferences – there is interest within this group for a valley wide EMS conference. It will be of minimal cost to us have once a year and focus on issues we face in the Salt Lake valley. Will discuss again next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:54

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 27th