

KYEMSC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 3rd, 2013/ 3:00 pm/ KBEMS Offices, Lexington, KY

Type of Meeting: Regular, Scheduled

Facilitator and Recorder: Dr. Fallat and Morgan Scaggs

Core Members Present: Dr. Fallat, Morgan Scaggs, Bari Lee Mattingly, Denise Gupton, Dr. Pollack

Guest: Mike Poynter

Members via Audio only: None

Topic: Call to Order, Roll call, Quorum

Discussion:

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm, roll call was completed, and quorum was met.

Action item: Minutes from August 1st, 2013 were discussed and approved.

For Your Information

The KY Trauma & Emergency Medicine Symposium will be held at Keeneland next year, October 20-22nd, 2014. The preconference program will be on Monday, with a full conference day on Tuesday and a half day on Wednesday. Participants would then have the option to stay for the races. Exploring hotel options in the Beaumont area.

Legislative

General discussion. More information needed.

- Erika had previously mentioned exploring an extension to the time frame allowed for surrendering a newborn under the Safe Infant Act.
- Transportation is likely going to push for an extension to the booster seat requirements.
- Trauma Advisory Committee seeking funding for the Trauma System.

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Discussion regarding Dr. Fallat's EMSC Targeted Issues Grant to explore Compassionate Options for Pediatric EMS. This program will be working with EMS personnel and parents to provide education and tools for dealing with pediatric fatalities in the prehospital setting.

Project Update from Morgan Scaggs

EMS Conference – Morgan presented at the State EMS Conference on the topic of Neonatal Resuscitation.

NASEMSO – Morgan attended the annual NASEMSO conference for the PECC meeting. NASEMSO and PECC are submitting a letter to AAP regarding the delays to the updated PEPP program materials.

NEDARC Workshop – Morgan to attend a workshop in San Antonio in November called “Using Your Pediatric Assessment Data”. The program will cover the use of Excel to analyze data and explore ways to utilize the information.

Grant Award – Hold back funding has been officially restored! We received our new NOA and will not need to make any adjustments to our budget for this grant year.

EMS Agency Assessment 2013 – We have initiated the required 2013 EMSC Reassessment of EMS agencies. While our official kickoff is not until October 8th, the portal was opened on October 1st and we already have had 40 out of 171 agencies complete the assessment for a 23.4% response rate. The closing date is January 8th, 2014.

National Pediatric Readiness Project – Closing the loop – Morgan compared the 2010 survey results and 2013 assessment results for hospitals that received funding from KYEMSC. There were significant differences between the 2 surveys. When we supplied funding to hospitals, the priority for purchase was on durable medical equipment items. The 2013 assessment did not ask about those specific items. Comparing the questions that were asked on both surveys, we find that 20 of the 30 hospitals had significant increases in their equipment readiness scores even though the funds were spent on other items. Of the 10 hospitals that had decreases, 4 were very minor changes that could be explained by personnel changes and human error. This is self-reported data and subject to the typical limitations of such data. Morgan will review the information and contact the other 6 hospitals to discuss the scores and explore ways to assist those facilities.

KBEMS Pediatric Protocols – The planned protocol review has been delayed somewhat. We are waiting on the release of model protocols/guidelines from NASEMSO.

Performance Measure Review - We are more than half-way through the first year of our new 4-year grant cycle. It is important to not lose sight of our objectives and planned activities. Morgan will review the grant narrative and supply more detail on our progress to date so we can decide on priority items and move forward.

General

- Skype is the best option for future remote meeting participation. Please set up your free personal account and look for Kentucky.ems to add to your contact list.

***The next meeting of the KYEMSC Advisory Committee is scheduled for December 5th, at 2:00 pm in Lexington.