

KYEMSC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 21st, 5:00 pm, Keeneland, Lexington, KY

Type of Meeting: Regular, Scheduled

Facilitator and Recorder: Dr. Fallat and Morgan Scaggs

Members Present: Morgan Scaggs, Denise Gupton, Dr. Pollack, Erika Janes, Melanie Tyner-Wilson,
Guests: Jordanne, Julie, and Robert Howard

Topic: Call to Order, Roll call, Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm, roll call was completed, and quorum was met.

Action item: Minutes from April 3rd, 2014, were approved with correction regarding passage of the Juvenile Justice Bill.

Action item: Notes from non-quorum meeting on August 12th, 2015, were acknowledged.

Pediatric Trauma Triage Guidelines

On August 7th, 2014, KBEMS adopted a Guideline for Field Triage of Injured Patients. This guideline is based on current CDC recommendations with slight modification to include length of transport in the decision scheme. There was lengthy discussion initiated by Dr. Iocono regarding pediatric trauma triage guidance. The Board requested that the CQI Subcommittee develop a separate pediatric guideline. As the Pediatric Subcommittee for the Board, we feel it is appropriate for this committee to make a recommendation on this matter. Reviewing the CDC information and after discussion of pertinent issues, the KYEMSC Advisory Committee voted unanimously (motion by Dr. Fallat, second by Dr. Pollack) to deliver a resolution to the Board, urging them to continue using the current guideline for both adult and pediatric patients. Full resolution attached.

Legislative

No specific legislative report.

Follow-up:

- Physician CME on Pediatric Abusive Head Trauma is available, free of charge, online through Norton Healthcare.
- Bill Bell, Dept of Transportation, wants to reintroduce the booster seat bill and is hoping they can move the bill through the Health and Welfare Committee. It has previously face opposition in the Transportation Committee.

Project Update from Morgan Scaggs

NASEMSO Annual Program Meeting

Morgan attended the meeting in Cleveland, October 6-8, 2014.

Items of interest:

- NASEMSO PEC Council forwarded a resolution, which was passed by the full Board, regarding continued work on safe transport of children in ground ambulances. Full resolution attached.
- A multi-agency (led by AAP) guidance document, patterned after the “Care of Children in The ED” document is in the early stages of development regarding care of children in the pre-hospital setting.
- Tom Winkler, PA EMSC Program Manager, shared a program initiated in their state regarding a voluntary recognition system for ground ambulances. This program provides a way to establish pediatric standards for EMS outside the regulatory process. Similar programs exist in a few other locations. Morgan will gather additional information and explore the possibility of replicating the program here in KY.

SERC Conference Calls

Conference calls for the South East Regional Council are continuing with a focus on planning for the summer EMSC Program meeting. In 2015, regional meetings will replace the national meeting. SERC (Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands) is paired with the CARE region (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Wisconsin, and Michigan) and will meet in Atlanta on June 23rd and 24th. In 2015, funds are budgeted for one staff person (PM) and one family rep to attend. In 2016, the national meeting will return to D.C.

Yellow Dot Program

Morgan and Erika attended a meeting on October 15th at the Transportation Building in Frankfort to discuss plans for the Yellow Dot Program. This is a national program which can be customized by each state but ideally stays substantially similar. It is currently available in several other states. In KY, most of the funding would come from “402” money. The individual would place a decal on the rear window of their vehicle and include contact and medical information, along with an identifying photograph, of routine occupants in the glove compartment. Designed to provide emergency medical information to first responders and ED personnel.

UK EMS

There was a meeting between UK and KBEMS regarding EMS Education Outreach. Morgan, Julia Martin, Mike Poynter, Dr. Whitcamp, Dr. Lubbers, Carol Wright, and others were in attendance. Group plans to meet periodically to share information about current programs and plan/coordinate future offerings.

Progress Report

Our next Progress Report is due on December 1st, 2014. Morgan has downloaded the guidance and will work with Dr. Fallat to complete the report and submit it prior to the deadline.

Adrenal Crisis Protocol

Guests Jordanne, Julia, and Robert Howard were in attendance to discuss their experience with Jordanne being diagnosed with Addison’s disease and concerns regarding inadequate EMS readiness to handle this type of situation. They are specifically concerned with a lack of protocol and permission to administer a patient’s own medication. Dr. Martin is working on an addition to the state protocols and it will likely go before the

Board for approval in early spring. Morgan is also exploring other ideas for education and/or special identification for these patients.

Pediatric Recognition (PM74) and SPROC grant

We are exploring ways to make progress on PM74 Hospital Recognition System for Pediatric Medical Care. Dr. Fallat, Morgan, and other interested parties from U of L and State AAP Chapter will meet by conference call with Arizona EMSC and AAP representatives to discuss the Arizona model/approach. This includes looking at a possible State Partnership Regionalization of Care (SPROC) grant if the opportunity is offered. Morgan will also touch base with Diana Fendya to see if any further info is available. We may be able to lay initial ground work under current EMSC funds but a SPROC grant would provide additional funds to support this project.

***The next meeting of the KYEMSC Advisory Committee is scheduled for February 5th, 2015, at 2:00 pm in Lexington.