

MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE MINUTES 9.27.11

- I. GOAL 1: ATTENDANCE
 - a. Carl Kaufman – Marion County Fire Rescue
 - b. Cherie Wilson Watson – Naples Community Hospital
 - c. Melanie Delaney – Century Ambulance
 - d. Julie Downey – Davie Fire Rescue
 - e. Bill Azzinaro – Miami Beach Fire Department
 - f. Mike Patterson – Putnam Co Fire/EMS
 - g. David Summers – St Mary’s Trauma Center
 - h. Dave Dyal – Stuart Fire Rescue
 - i. Jason L. Kimbrell – Lifeguard Ambulance Service
 - j. Bob Smallacombe – Palm Beach Co Fire Rescue
 - k. Julie Bacon – EMSC
 - l. Cory Richter – Indian River Co Fire Rescue
 - m. Patty Byers – UM/JMH Ryder Trauma Center/FCOT
 - n. Mark OLieman – AMR Miami
 - o. Maryellen House – AMR
 - p. Danny Cribbs – Libery Ambulance/JFRD
 - q. Dan Harshburger – Martin County Fire Rescue
 - r. Karen Chamberlain
 - s. Terry Suarez – Take Heart Florida
 - t. Elliot Fisch - Atrus
 - u. Diane G. Simon – SCC EMS
 - v. JoAnn Deserio – SMHCS
 - w. Benjamin Abes – Lee County EMS
 - x. Michael Lozano, Jr., MD – HCFR
 - y. Bill McGrath
 - z. Robert Soto – UM Gordon Center

- II. 6.1 Status of Dispatch System Effectiveness
 - a. July 2010 mandatory certification of PSTs with minimum training 132 hours and exam as of October 2010-curriculum completed, test being developed

- III. 6.2 Call response times – 4.2 million EMSTARS records – data can be supplied by Steve McCoy

- IV. 6.3 EMSTARS DATA
 - a. Offload times – not available with current EMSTARS data points. This will be added in next version of EMSTARS data points
 - b. EM Systems – not discussed
 - c. DATA MART concept linking EMSTARS and AHCA data presented by Dr. Nelson

- V. 6.4 Outcome measures:

- a. EMRC Report given by Dr Nelson
 - 1. EMSTARS covering 48% providers, 50% calls now
 - 2. Report from 2008-2009 data w 1.7 million records (4.2 now)
 - cardiac arrest calls 14,800
 - cardiac arrests transported 7,800
 - ROSC in field 105
 - 53% matched from AHCA 4,100
 - discharged alive from hospital 750 = 18%
 - subset - ROSC in field (105) 30 discharged alive=29%
 - b. top 3 challenges for pedi and neonatal pre-hospital systems – not discussed
- VI. 6.5 Improvement in EMS System processes
- a. Survive the Ride Program with prehospital training component presented – Patricia Byers, MC, FACS
 - i. Discussed DOT Grant funding program with patient, paramedic and health care provider training
 - ii. Recidivism discussed
 - iii. Availability for training across state, contacts distributed
 - b. Take Heart Florida – Terry Suarez
 - i. Cardiac Work Group
 - ii. Sudden cardiac arrest survival initiative
 - c. Elliot Fisch presented draft legislation allowing psas to notify third party regarding AED location for nearby cardiac arrest – amending s.401.2915
- VII. 6.6 Standardization of QI/QA: the Quality Managers group has developed 2 templates, one for customer service and one for quality improvement. Not discussed
- VIII. 6.7 Performance indicators can be developed following benchmark data which will be provided by EMRC-can work on cardiac targets with data analysis
- IX. 6.8 Ocean Lifeguard – not discussed
- X. 9.1 medical error rate in Florida – not discussed
- XI. OLD BUSINESS
- a. Trauma Triage –FCOT did not endorse SACCO criteria
 - b. Barriers to tourniquet usage – discussion
 - i. New protocol – will need time to catch on after many years of being contraindicated
 - ii. Medical Directors
 - iii. Robert Soto has tourniquet course and wanted to amend protocol regarding medical issues – he will be in touch with Dr. Nelson regarding this

XII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. EMS Week: Carl Kaufman wants to start planning statewide webinar for paramedic education during EMS week. Consideration for possible motorcycle curriculum and paramedic case reports. Discussed feasibility with Steve McCoy.

Patricia M. Byers, MD, FACS
Chair