

EMS Oversight Authority Board Minutes
May 23, 2016 (8:00 – 10:00 a.m.)
Bryan Medical Center East – Conference Center C

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bill Avery at 08:03 a.m.

Record of Those Present

Record of those present recorded by Sharese Bogguss

Notice of Open Meetings Law

Notice of open meeting laws were declared posted by Bill Avery

Approval of Minutes – March 28, 2016

Motion was made by Doug McDaniel to approve March minutes. Motion was seconded by Dr. Liz Noordhoek. Minutes were approved.

Advisory Committee Report

No update

Medical Director Report

A. CARES Data

- Data attached – Cardiac survival data year to date are above where they were last year.
- Nebraska Cares numbers are higher for out of hospital cardiac arrest than national average in survival.

B. QA Data/Dispatcher Assisted CPR

- In 2015, Dr. Kruger and Cpt. Lee put together 6 training sessions to improve dispatcher recognition of out of hospital cardiac arrest because of the issues had previously by dispatcher in the recognition of the signs and symptoms of an arrest.
- In May 2016, these training sessions were repeated by Dr. Kruger with dispatchers (EMS dispatcher call audio played at this time.)
- Audio played was a good example of how quickly the dispatcher recognized the signs and symptoms of the arrest taking place, thereby assisting the caller in administering CPR.
- July – Dr. Kruger to work with County Sheriff's Office on CPR delivery improvement method. It is possible that in rural settings, they are first responders on scene. Plan to put defibrillators in County vehicles.
- In 2015 – EMS dispatcher were able to recognize about 83% of Cardiac arrest. The goal for 2016 is 90%.
- Median pre-screening EMS call time by dispatchers is 3 minutes 16 seconds for 2015. With some improvement coming in the summer of 2016 in the pre-screening process.

C. Protocol update

- Reviewed of defibrillator pad placement on confirmed STEMI patients last 2 and half years of data.
- 8% of Vfibr STEMI's were arresting while in pre-hospital. having a cardiac
- Protocol update would allow for the placement of Vfibr pad to be placed immediately on patients in a pre-hospital cardiac arrest, reducing defibrillation time – with the goal of improving resuscitation survival outcome

Motion to update Protocol as stated was made by Doug McDaniel. Motion was seconded by Dr. Liz Noordhoek. Motion was approved.

D. Rural Update

- Want to expand capturing of CARES data for rest of Lancaster County when QI Coordinator is in place to offer better feedback to rural providers to improve the care.
- Planned training with County Sheriff in July and try to obtain more defibrillators.

E. Ketamine Update

- Data still being collected on adverse outcome of administration of field usage.

LFR Presentation

A. LF & R awarded Mission LifeLine gold award for STEMI Care

- In 2015, LFR was the only agency to apply for the Mission LifeLine award and was then awarded the silver.
- Highest award given out by the American Heart Association.
- This year, LFR was the first agency awarded the gold with presentation on June 6th.

B. Annual billing rate increase

- New billing company hired by LFR to start in September.
- Time for LFR rate increase. This will be based a number of factor to be reviewed by LFR. Increase to be determined by September 1st.

QA/QI Updates

No update

Management Team Report

A. QI Coordinator position and Q/A Educator update

- Job descriptions are done, more discussion needed on details wanted in description
- When description completed, will be sent to Roger Bonin and Doug McDaniel to post through state and local sites

Contract Status Update

- Agency contract turned over to County Attorney's office
- Valparaiso signed contract May 2016
- Contract update renewal process review

- Send meeting schedule to new agencies of EMSOA

Financial Statements

- March & April 2016

Public Comments (All)

Bill Avery

- Dr. Kruger given the John J. Hannigan award at the Lincoln Lancaster County Health Department for advocacy efforts for a variety of community health related issues.
- EMS week, May 15-21

Doug Fuller – State EMS Program has a new EMS Administrator, Tim Wilson. He will try to attend the September meeting.

Rob Dumond – Bryan Health will go through State Trauma Facilitated Bisk Survey. It's a 2 day process.

Roger Bonin – Expiration of Dr. Kruger's contract as Medical Director in August and how the board plans to proceed.

- Recommendation is to not open contract up for bid. Board management team to have some discussion with Dr. Kruger on contract details and report back at a later time.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:50a.m was made by Pat Ohmberger. Motion was seconded by Dr. Liz Noordhoek.

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