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MINUTES
January 27, 2023
10:00 a.m.
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Attendance:

Member Roll Call:
Dr. Edwards-chair, Dr. Fales, Lisa Martin, Dr. Noel, Dr. Wise, Dr. Domeier, Lynn Weber, Deb Wagner.

Absent: Betsy McDavid, Dr. Paul

MCA Representatives:
Karyn Belanger, St. Clair County MCA.

Guests:
Dr. Meghan Whitt, UM; Mike Bentley, Kalamazoo County MCA; Bill Priese, Tri-County MCA; Kevin Henderson, Washtenaw Livingston MCA; Lance Corey, Kent County MCA; Carol Robinet, Superior Ambulance; Dr. Van Alsten, UM; Dr. Strong, Henry Ford; Lance Corey, Kent County EMS; Dr. Reece, Hurley; Thomas Johnson, Sparrow.

Bureau Staff:
Krisy Kuhl, Nicole Babb, Kallie Piette, Anthony Pantaleo, Derek Flory, Emily Baker, Emily Bergquist, Doug Burke.

Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Dr. Edwards.

Agenda and Minutes:
Motion to approve the agenda the minutes from 01/27/2023 (Martin, Noel). Approved.

MCA Protocols/Bylaws:

1. **St. Clair County MCA**
   a. 8-6 Dispatch **– Motion to approve with change (Wise, Martin). Approved.**
   b. 1-6 Anaphylaxis Allergic Reaction **– Motion to approve with change (Wise, Martin). Approved.**
   c. 9-50 Epi Kit**– Motion to approve (Wise, Martin). Approved.**
   d. 8-17 Medical Privileges**– Motion to approve (Wise, Martin). Approved.**
   e. 9-43 TXA **– Motion to approve with change (Wise, Martin). Approved.**

- Karyn Belanger went over the protocol requests and answered questions for the group.
    - The medical control board approved the dispatch protocol unanimously. Dr. Fales suggested data gathering around the dispatch protocol. Emily Baker asked about B2. Action item: Change “will make” to “will be made” in B2 in 8-6.
    - For 1-6, Dr. Edwards suggested referencing the training program. **Action item: add a special note for training to 1-6. Action item: Remove the 1 in front of Epinephrine in 3bi in 1-6.**
    - **9-43** They added the infusion rate chart. Micro and macro values were discussed. **Action item: Indicate macro is preferred.** Deb Wagner suggested rounding the numbers off. **Action item: Round the values in the chart up.**

State Protocols/Bylaws:

I. COVID-19
   a. Krisy is working on the reconciliation and all but 5 MCAs are finalized. Krisy will give a report when she is done cleaning it up. The staffing protocol was discussed. This is no longer a COVID protocol.

II. AutoPulse Discussion
   a. Emily Bergquist brought this discussion to the group. The issue is the rate per minutes, as this uses 80 bpm rather than 100 bpm. Some states have banned the AutoPulse’s use. The department is looking for guidance on how to handle this device. The group discussed. The wording in the two CPR protocols would need to be changed as far as BPM. Krisy advised documentation of the mechanical device will be in the mechanical chest compression protocol. CARES was discussed. Dr. Wise asked if we knew why these are banned in other states. **Discussion needs to occur at Ambulance Operations.**
      i. These are not for first line use.
      ii. FDA and MCA authorized device.
      iii. Document that they used the device.
      iv. Document what device they used.
      v. Document rate used.
      vi. In the mechanical CPR protocol, state to follow manufacturer's recommendations.
      vii. Emily Bergquist to reach out to the agency and copy Dr. Fales so he can follow up if he would like.

III. UP Interfacility Transfers
   a. Emily Bergquist thinks this can be handled with a check box. This would allow a transfer from out of the MCA to out of the MCA, but also open up possible unintended consequences.

IV. State Protocol Revisions-This is FINAL REVIEW/APPROVAL so they may be released to MCAs to begin their committee review and adoption.
   a. Section 2 and 3 questions – Dr. Fill, JCMCA

i. Spinal Assessment 2-8: Strike significant in line 2b?
ii. Excited Delirium 3-6: Why was midazolam dose reduced to 5 mg IM?
    - These issues were resolved.

b. State Protocols packet for review and vote
    i. 7.5 (S) BiPAP **– Motion to remove (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    ii. 7.17 Patient Procedural Sedation **– Motion to approve (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    iii. 7.21 Blood Glucose Testing **– Motion to approve (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    iv. 7.25 MI POST **– Motion to approve (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    v. 7.26 HFNO **– Motion to approve (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    vi. 7.29 Mechanical CPR Device **– Motion to approve (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    vii. 8.7 ALS to BLS Transfer of Care **– Motion to approve (Domeier, Wise). Approved.**
    viii. 8.19 On-Scene Physician Interaction **– Not voted on today.**
c. Dr. Fales-head injury protocol, he did not connect with his contact yet.
d. Electrical Therapy was discussed. This will go out in the next set.
e. Emergency Airway is almost done. Krisy will send it out to QATF to review.
f. Pain Management will be sent out to review.
g. Dispatch is waiting on refusal of care and Krisy is also going to talk to Joni Harvey.
h. Infectious disease has to go to Dr. Fales.
i. Misc.
    i. Capnography
        - Mandatory for ALS and LALS
        - Timeframe was discussed.
    ii. Ped sizes
        - Would like to be added for peds but not finalized yet.
    iii. Hemostatic agents for MFR
        - Part of wound care. Can have it but can't be mandatory.
    iv. Sked
        - Will touch base with Emily Bergquist.

Motion to adjourn 1:58 p.m. (Domeier, Weber). Adjourned.