

RAPPAHANNOCK EMS COUNCIL
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE
Trauma Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 25, 2008

The September meeting of the Quality Improvement Trauma Committee was called to order by Timothy Kimble, Chairman at 2030 hours.

Members Present: Timothy Kimble, Chairman (Fauquier County); Jenni-Meade Hartle (Stafford County); Bill Yeatman (Mary Washington Hospital); Susan Bergstrom (Mary Washington Hospital); Ray Harvey (Quantico Fire & Rescue); Greg Fleck (Spotsylvania County Fire & Rescue); Carolyn Marsh (REMS Staff)

Excused Absences: Dr. Garth (Regional Medical Director)

Unexcused Absences: Mark Shiflett (Phi AirCare); Dan Butler (Chancellor VF&R); Mark Crnarich (King George F&R)

AGENDA ITEMS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Member attendance at QI Meetings discussed. Members need to attend 75% of the meetings. If they fail to attend, they will be replaced.
2. Trauma System Indicators for the 2nd Quarter of 2008 (April-June) were reviewed. The results were as follows:
 - Use of EJ, IV, and IO for Hypotensive Trauma Patients
 - Total number of IVs in the region was 98 successful, there were 3 unsuccessful for a 1% failure.
 - Total number of EJs in the region was 0.
 - Total number of IOs in the region was 1.
3. GCS Score Utilization:
 - Total Calls Reviewed = 13,587
 - Trauma Patients when GCS Used = 7,499 for 95%

NEW BUSINESS:

1. System Indicators for the 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2009.
 - a. First Quarter – Utilization of Helicopters for Trauma Patients and where the criteria for Helicopter use met.

b. Second Quarter – Use of Pain Management Protocol in Musculoskeletal Injuries. Indicators to be evaluated will be:

1. Was Pain Management utilized?
2. Was the medication administered under Standing Orders or Medical Control Orders?
3. Was protocol followed appropriately?

2. Mr. Fleck motioned, Mr. Harvey seconded, and the committee voted that Sue Bergstrom will Co-Chair the QI Trauma Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 2057 hours. **Next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2008 at 1900 hours.**

Agenda

1. Review statistical data for Trauma QI Indicators for the 2nd quarter 2008
2. Agencies that were missing data or submitted wrong forms were notified.

New Business

1. Establish the Trauma QI Indicators for the 1st and 2nd Quarter of 2009.
2. Discuss adding Sue Bergstorm as the Co-Chair due to her involvement with the Trauma Center at MWH.
3. Next meeting.

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Thursday, November 20, 2008

The November meeting was called to order by Tim Kimble Chairman at 1900 hours at the REMS Council in Fredericksburg, VA.

Members Present: Tim Kimble, Culpeper Career, OEMS322@hotmail.com, Jenni-Meade Hartle, Stafford Career, jcarter@co.stafford.va.us, Bill Yeatman, Mary Washington Hospital EMS Coordinator, William.yeatman@medicorp.org, Mark Crnarich, King George Volunteer, mark.crnarich@yahoo.com, Mark Shiflett, Phi AirCare, mshiflett@phihelico.com, Dan Butler, Chancellor Fire & Rescue Volunteer, cvfdrc600@aol.com and Carolyn Marsh, REMS Staff, CarolynMarsh@vaems.org

Excused Absence: Greg Fleck, Spotsylvania County Career, gfleck@spotsylvania.va.us, Dr. David Garth, Regional Medical Director, dgarth90@hotmail.com, Ray Harvey, Quantico Fire, ray.harvey@usmc.mil

Unexcused Absences: None

AGENDA ITEMS:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. The Trauma QI minutes of September 25, 2008 were approved as presented.
2. Reviewed statistical data for Trauma Indicator for the 3rd Quarter CY2008 - On Scene Time for all Trauma Patient calls. Agencies met the 20 minute or less standard 73% of the time and greater than 20 minutes 27% of the time. This data is from 1,187 trauma related incidents reported from the entire Council region. Many of the incidents that were over 20 minutes were due to extended extrication times and or justified by another reason.
3. Agencies that were missing data or submitted wrong forms were notified.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request by Dr. Sitta of Fauquier County to review a trauma fly-out call and Air Medical providers policies on requesting next closest provider if they must abort the flight enroute to the scene. Discussion ensued regarding information provided from representatives of both Fauquier County Department of Fire and Emergency Services as well as Phi AirCare. Mark Shiflett will share discussions and future use of communicating with Web-EOC with AirCare.
2. Tim Kimble advised he is still hearing some questions on what type of trauma patients Mary Washington Hospital can accept. The Council has shared this

information with all agencies. Asked that Bill Yeatman continue to share that criteria.

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3. Announced resignation of Sue Bergstrom, Trauma Coordinator with Mary Washington Hospital. She will be replaced on the committee by another representative of the hospital Trauma Department.
4. Non-Compliant Agencies for 3rd Qtr. CY2008 reporting include:

AirCare
Culpeper Rescue
Flint Hill
Goldvein Fire & Rescue
Marshall Fire
New Baltimore Fire & Rescue
Port Royal Fire
Upper Caroline Fire & Rescue
Upperville Vol. Fire & Rescue

The meeting adjourned at 1957 hrs. Next meeting will be held on February 19, 2009 at 1900 hrs.

Agenda

1. Approval of the minutes
2. Review statistical data for trauma indicators for the 3rd quarter 2008
3. Agencies that were missing data or submitted wrong forms were notified.

Old Business

New Business

1. Next meeting.
2. Request by Dr. Sitta for review of a trauma fly-out call.

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Tuesday, February 19, 2009

The February Trauma meeting of the Quality Improvement Committee was called to order by Tim Kimble, Chairman at 1945 hours at the REMS Council, Fredericksburg, VA.

Members Present: Tim Kimble, Culpeper Career, OEMS322@hotmail.com, Jenni-Meade Hartle, Stafford Career, jcarter@co.stafford.va.us, Mark Crnarich, King George Volunteer, mark.crnarich@yahoo.com, Mark Shiflett, PhiAirCare, mshiflett@phihelico.com, Dan Butler, Chancellor Fire & Rescue Volunteer, cvfdrc600@aol.com, Greg Fleck, Spotsylvania County Dept. of Fire & Rescue, gflex@spotsylvania.va.us, and Carolyn Marsh, REMS Staff, CarolynMarsh@vaems.org

Excused Absences: Dr. David Garth, Regional Medical Director, dgarth90@hotmail.com, Ray Harvey, Quantico Fire, ray.harvey@usmc.mil, Bill Yeatman, Mary Washington Hospital EMS Coordinator, William.Yeatman@medicopr.org,

Unexcused Absences: None

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of November 20, 2008 were approved as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Report on Fly-Outs for Fauquier County Trauma call. Received a letter from PHI indicating that there had been some conversations between PHI and Fairfax County Police Aviation Division and that the Fairfax County Police remain available to respond to assist in Medevac operations for surrounding jurisdictions.
2. In reviewing the Trauma Indicator, the KED definitely needs to be added to the skills drills because there is definitely a lack of use and when it is used it is placed on the patient improperly. The committee recommends that the OMD Committee and Guidelines and Training committee select the KED as a random skill for the Annual Skills Drills.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The QI Indicators for the 3rd and 4th quarters of CY2009 will be discussed via email and identified for recommendation to the OMD committee.

The meeting adjourned at 2000 hours. The next meeting will be held **May 21, 2009 at 1945 hours.**

Agenda

1. Approval of the minutes.
2. Review statistical data for Trauma indicators for the 4th quarter CY2008.

Old Business

New Business

1. Request by Dr. Sitta, Fauquier County OMD, for review of a trauma fly-out call.