

Rappahannock EMS Council
Protocol Sub-Committee Minutes
March 26th, 2007

Members Present: Heather Calhoun, Jenni Carter, Chris Corbin, Greg Leitz, Mark Shiflett, and Robert Usher.

Members Absent: Dr. David Garth, Lori Knowles, and Dave Morris

Guests Present: Matt Halsey

Meeting called to order at 1310 hours at the REMS Council Training Center.

Protocol review and discussions continued:

- Air Medical Utilization Guideline from the Air Medical Committee was reviewed. Would like it to read critical findings of AMI instead of listing LBBB and ST elevation.
- Dr. Garth did approve an OG protocol.
- Need to know what type of timeline MWH has with upgrading their monitors to bi-phasic.
- Reviewed the Infection Control protocol submitted by Brian Alvis. Approved as written.
- Dr. Garth has been polling the other OMDs. He has received mixed feelings on the medications and standing orders.
- Committee would like to see REMS have someone devoted to QI full-time. We need the ability to pull someone's right to practice due to complaints and issues.
- Would like to see if we could post on vaems.org the providers in our region who have had their releasement revoked, as well as all of the other councils.
- BOD Action Item: Make a committee to make a QI program with Chris, Robert, Mark, Jenni, & Greg.
- PEDS: Section with dual lumen airway will be changed to read BIAD, and a section on the King airway.
- Etomidate: Will read up to 1 minute onset time. The duration will vary on the patient's metabolic rate.
- Cardizem: ODEMSA has replaced it in their boxes with Metoprolol. Haven't received word from the manufacture of it not being made anymore.
- Asthma: Will use Solumedrol with Decodron as a back-up.
- CPAP: Use with sidestream capnography.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 16th, 2007 at 1300 hours at the REMS Council Training Center.

Meeting adjourned at 1400 hours.