Rappahannock EMS Council Protocol Sub-Committee Minutes December 11, 2006

Members Present: Heather Calhoun, Jenni-Meade Carter, Lori Knowels, and David Morris.

Members Absent: Chris Corbin, Timothy Kimble, Mark Shiflett, and Robert Usher.

Meeting called to order at 1300 hours.

The Council has a deadline with OEMS to have the new protocols printed and distributed by May 1st, 2007.

All members need to send information about the protocols they are reviewing to Heather by January 3rd, 2007. Heather will then forward the changes to the committee by email so everyone can review them before our next meeting. If anyone is unable to do their section, please notify the committee immediately so it can be reassigned.

- Asthma Drugs: Dave will forward Fredericksburg's protocol to the committee soon.
- Dr. Garth wants the committee to hold public forums in different parts of the region before we print the new protocols. We will open our meeting to the public and re-locate them throughout the region.
- Code Gray/DOA: Walter Snellings is okay with our changes. Chris is working on re-writing the protocols.
- The monitor adaptors should be carried by MWH and not the individual agencies. This will be forwarded to the TGC.
- PRN Adaptors: Dave will email it to the committee.
- Chest Pain: Dave showed and explained his changes to the universal algorithm and non-traumatic chest pain. Our protocols will mirror the new AHA ACLS Guidelines.
- ASA for EMTs: Dave is working on it.
- Agencies instating their own protocols: This is a TGC issue and has been forwarded to them.
- Environmental Section: No changes needed.
- Behavioral Section: No changes needed.
- Medication Section: Jenni and Lori are working on it. We will look to see if a N/V protocol has already been written.
- Administration Section: Heather went over the changes she is working on. Main changes include: Deleting the requirement to submit PPCRs for Pt Refusals to MWH and adding more about the Quarterly QI reports to the REMSC.

- Heather has emailed John Griffin about the Fly-Out protocol and will follow up with him.
- Pain Management: Morphine will be a standing order and Fentanyl will be included, but only with medical control's permission.
- Allergic Reaction: Epi IV in severe anaphylaxis will be a standing order.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 8th, 2007 at 1000 hours here at the REMS Council Training Center.

Meeting adjourned at 1400 hours.