



## Rappahannock Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** REMS Area EMS Agencies  
**FROM:** Wayne Perry, Executive Director  
**DATE:** January 17, 2018  
**SUBJECT:** Updates to the REMS Protocols

A number of updates to the Regional Patient Care Protocols were recently approved by the Regional Guidelines and Training Committee and the Rappahannock EMS Council's Board of Directors. **The complete set of protocols with updated sections may be found on the Council's website.** Please feel free to contact the Council at [rems@vaems.org](mailto:rems@vaems.org) or 540-373-0249 with any questions you may have.

*The sections to which changes have been made are listed below. For a detailed list of revisions, please see the detailed **Outline of 2017 Protocol Revisions** available on our website.*

#### SECTION 1: ADMINISTRATIVE

- 1.0 Introduction
- 2.0 Acknowledgements
- 3.18 Sexual Assault & Abuse
- 3.21 Sepsis Pearls

#### SECTION 2: MEDICAL

- 1.0 Stroke Triage Decision Scheme
- 2.0 Cardiac Arrest—Unknown Rhythm
- 3.0 General—Behavioral / Patient Restraint
- 5.0 General—Pain Control
- 6.0 Medical—Allergic Reaction / Anaphylaxis
- 7.0 Medical—Altered Mental Status
- 9.0 Medical—Hypotension / Shock Non-Trauma
- 10.0 Medical—Nausea / Vomiting
- 11.0 Medical—Overdose / Poisoning / Toxic Ingestion
- 12.0 Medical—Respiratory Distress / Asthma / COPD/ Croup / Reactive Airway
- 13.0 Medical—Seizure

#### SECTION 3: TRAUMA

- 1.0 Field Trauma Triage Decision Scheme (MOVED)
- 5.0 Injury—Head (Traumatic Brain Injury)
- 6.0 Injury—Multisystem

#### SECTION 4: CLINICAL PROCEDURES

- 1.0 Scope of Practice
- 2.0 Authorized Medication Table
- 3.0 Clinical Procedures
- 3.2 Airway—Sedation Assisted (non-paralytic)
- 3.8 Ventilators & Continuous Positive Airway Pressure

#### SECTION 5: REFERENCE

- 4.0 EMS Stroke Alert Checklist (MOVED)
- 12.0 Newborn Resuscitation Algorithm / APGAR Scoring
- 20.0 Mass Gathering Protocol (ADDED)

#### SECTION 6: MEDICATION REFERENCE