Medical Services Committee – April 14, 2023

1. Meeting called to order: 10:07
   1. Approved
2. Acceptance of minutes: Friday February 10, 2023 meeting
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3. OEMS Update
   1. Membership process update –
      1. all of the EMCAB committees are being “rebooted”. More to come.
      2. Trauma surgeon seat – seat has been open for several years. Dr. Burstein asked for recommendations. Not filling the seat counts against the group for quorum. Option to ask EMCAB to eliminate the seat.
      3. Member retiring from Suburban EMS AHMD – 2 nominations so far, vote is next meeting.
   2. EMSC educational program-EMSC going to be pediatric case review, targeting this summer. This is not an M&M rounds review but a quarterly virtual educational review call.
4. Old Business
   1. STEMI POE- This item has been moved to June, to review. Please email Dr. Burstein and Renee Atherton with and changes/suggestions to wording to POE. Renee to create algorithm before June.
   2. Trauma Triage format – Trauma committee has reviewed and agreed with the Format. OEMS needs to review the language to agree with ACS language.
   3. Education/Competency List (Mr. Brennan) – This list is a minimum educational training that a list needs to do over the course of 2 years. Members to review the list and send with specifically what they want to be changed for review at a later date. Please send to Dr. Burstein, Renee, and Dan Saxe.
5. New Business
   1. Cardioversion energies (Dr. Bivens)-there has been some confusion in the fields on joules in protocols vs. ACLS. Motion to change adult cardioversion to start at 100j and defib to start at 200j (and go up to the highest level ACLS allows). Manufacturers state the different ranges for joules. Membership approves the change.
   2. IV fluids in hyperglycemia (Dr. Bivens) – Proposed language: Hyperglycemic emergency: Glucose >300mg/dL, signs of DKA, or concerns for significant dehydration. Motion approved.
   3. OB protocol (Dr. Beltran)-Postponed
   4. Tactical team blood use SPW (Dr. Broach) – Dr. Broach discussed SPW for WEMS tactical team assigned to Mass State Police. Included in the SPW with the local blood lab to execute. EMSC to review for pediatrics and report back in June. SPW is approved.
   5. Leominster BiPAP SPW (Dr. Broach)
      1. Group agrees that CPAP=BiPAP. Dr. Burstein and Renee to work on emergency update for SWTP updates.
   6. Midazolam for seizure dosing – change the upper limit to 10mg in adults. Motion approved. Dr. Chung to review the pediatric limit.
6. Adjourn: 11:40
7. Next Meeting: June 9, 2023