

Education Committee Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14
Mike Hilley, WCEMS
Ben Russell, WCFD 7
Steve Cohen, WCEMS
Duncan McLane, WCFD 11
Rob Stevenson, BFD
Matt Cook, WCFD 16

Dr. Marv Wayne, MPD
Tony Melillo, SWFA
Ben Boyko, WCFD 7
David Darrah, WCFD 18
Scott Ryckman, BFD
Ralph Weiche, Supervising Physician

CALL TO ORDER: Jerry DeBruin called the regularly scheduled Education Committee meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 2020 minutes, stand as written

REPORTS:

North Region: next meeting is on January 28th

Funding:

There have been cuts at state that could affect prehospital participation grant.

Received a grant for a Resuscitation academy. S. Cohen is working on putting the program together.

SALT Kits- Motion was made (D. McLane) and approved to ask council for \$1500 to purchase carabiner with strap and tape for 64 kits.

Training Officers Report:

Did not have a meeting in November.
First quarter will have a lot of training.

CQI:

Still working on case review.
Need to work on getting recordings from dispatch and data off Lifepak in timely manner.
Discussed moving EMS Coordinator into co-chair position.

Providers are not getting feedback on COVID-19 flagged patients.
Some smaller districts don't have epic access.

Hilley working on bidirectional feed on Epic.
ImageTrend email could be used but it's a manual push.

Tiffany Hansen is providing feedback to districts she is servicing twice a week.

Use of PPE is the best way to protect yourself.

There has been no feedback from funeral homes.
M. Hilley will call Health Dept and check in about funeral home feedback.

Hospital won't invest in hospital information exchange.
Health Dept is not letting agencies know about Covid-19 positive patients.

TAB:

Preparing for EOB:
-Workplan for 2021
-GIS recommendation

Paramedic class & 5th medic unit:
-M. Hilley will be meeting with BFD, WCFD 7 and NWFRS to discuss when unit will go into service, staffing needs, and station upgrades/construction. He will take plan to council in January.
-4 students in next class; 2 from NWFRS, 2 from BFD.

Gurneys: had maintenance on old gurneys last week. Need budget approved before purchase of new gurneys.

Whatcom EMS purchased another 10 vacuum mattress splints.
Need to assess how many more we need before ordering more in January.

Hospital:

Communications with hospital records system and Epic:
Bellingham was asked to print out patient cares records and take to ED because hospital didn't know how to access them.
Ecpr records are on hospital hub that no one is accessing.
Hospital seems to be unaware they can access the information. Hospital needs to manage the access and they are not doing it.

Bi-directional communication is needed.

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Unfinished Business:

CPR manikins are ready to be checked out and will be stored in the council office.
Steve and Andrea will create an online reservation form and manage the reservation/check out/check in process.

Nebs: Video is ready to go out.

Encourage trainers to give out a reminder about COVID-19 when training.

Need to put PowerPoint on Rescue Hub: Watch video, skill sheet, watch PowerPoint and take a test.

New Business:

New training coordinator is working on punch list and meeting with people.

Rescue Hub Database cleanup: every quarter?

Good of the order:

Protocol revisions are done and approved by the state.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm