

Education Committee Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

Darren Branum, WCFD 1
Chris Carleton, WCFD 5
Steven Cohen, WCEMS
Alissa Daschbach, WCFD 11
Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14
Michael Gustafson, WCFD 7
Mike Hilley, WCEMS

Michael Lish, WCFD 11
Greg Macy, WCFD 1
Heather Ripke-Olson, WCFD 14
Ben Russell, WCFD 7
Dr. Marvin Wayne, MPD
Dr. 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: Sept 2022 minutes, stand as written

REPORTS:

North Region:

Met last week.

Whatcom county will have case presentation next month

Rick Kowsky is now the treasurer and Mike Hilley is council chair.

There are 6-7 council positions open.

Temporary budget was put together.

N. Region will no longer be the lead agency for SafeKids Northwest.

2-year strategic plan is being worked on.

All grant requests were fully funded.

Working on a better methodology on how grants get distributed.

\$1000 injury prevention grant will be in February or March.

Funding:

N. Region grants were approved: \$23,000 grant for EMS course equipment and \$4,300 for Stop the Bleed kits.

Training Officers:

Met on Oct 12th

Waiting for PO from Handtevy

Looking for someone to take the lead or co-lead for the 2023 Training Conference

CQI:

B. Russell gave a great case review.
Went over the monthly CQI report

TAB:

The last TAB meeting was held on Sept 7th.
Next meeting will be the first week of Nov.

Hospital:

ED is piloting a fast-track area where there is additional staffing to see some lower acuity patients.

Please make sure to communicate any plan changes with charge nurse.

Unfinished Business:

Handtevy app: protocols were sent to Handtevy on October 8th.
Implementation should be by mid-January.

New Business:

BLS evaluator course: would like to have Whatcom County specific evaluator course twice a year.

Discussed creating a calendar for BLS evaluator courses available to attend.

Epi Checks and Inject kits were discussed.

January OTEP: need to create scenarios for Ambulance Safety and determine the second topic for Q1 2023.

Agencies would like to have at least 3 scenarios to choose from for skill testing.

One day conference: Dr. Wayne is looking at getting Peter Antevy possibly in March and Dr. Weiche is looking at wilderness medical topics.

BLS provider training online Nov 10th 19:00-20:00 by zoom.

Grant funded EMT Course: Will be held in June 2023 and June 2024.

Good of the Order:

WCEMS held an CPR instructor course on Oct 8th.

A Stop the Bleed Course will be held on Nov 7th at LHS and another on Nov 14th for the public.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm