

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL
January 8, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Tom Chavez, Sharon Colby, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Rod Heimbigner, Kelly Jennings, David Leavenworth, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Tom Mattern, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Tony Nielsen, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Wade Scoles, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, and Dr. Danielle Wolff,
Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: December 11, 2012 minutes were MS/P.

Chair's Remarks: None.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nite!: Shaun Pitts will be presenting Drug Overdose tonight.

Proposed City Withdrawal of EMS Support: Wade reported that there is a meeting scheduled with the City on January 29, 2013 to discuss additional support options.

Stroke Triage: QI Committee's recommendations for interpretation of the Washington State Prehospital Stroke Triage and Destination Procedure were presented by Dr. Nania and endorsed by the EMS Council.

Cardiac QI: Dr. Nania presented a summary of the first prehospital data available regarding cardiac QI. (Summary attached)

Reference and COPS Recommendations from QI: Dr. Nania discussed the following : Spinal Immobilization, Oxygen Drug Reference, RSI, and Blood Draws. The minor clarification of the Blood Draw COP was approved the EMS Council.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval:

- AIMED EMT Course Completion
- SCFD #4 EMT Course Completion
- East Region Membership appointments for Dr. Racht as Physician Representative and Melody Westmoreland as Private Ambulance Representative
- SEI Renewal for Steve Tevlin
- SCFD #9 EMT Class, February 4, 2013-May 1, 2013
- HTN EMT Class, February 16, 2013-May 6, 2013

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: The Blood Draw issue with law enforcement was brought up now that some marijuana use has been approved in Washington State and it was mentioned that there will be an active shooter exercise at the Valley Mall on June 2, 2012 at 1 AM.

East Region: David Leavenworth reported that the East Region just had their annual meeting with committee reports and new officers. Adam Richards is the new chair. The region is still looking at the possibility of combining with North

Central Region.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: The current class of 16 students has had their introduction yesterday and the formal starting date has been slightly delayed pending reformatting and submission of the letter of articulation with North Idaho Community College.

QI: Today's agenda will include progress reports on the County campaign to improve survivorship from cardiopulmonary arrest and further evaluation of cardiac QI data.

ESSO: No report

Fairchild: No report.

Announcements: None

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

February 12, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Sharon Colby, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Rod Heimbigner, Kelly Jennings, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, , Dr. Nolan McMullin, Dr. James Nania, Tony Nielsen, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, and Robbie Thorn.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: January 8, 2013 minutes were MS/P.

Chair's Remarks: Dr. Metcalf mentioned that the EMS Awards will be presented in May and encouraged everyone to take the time to nominate those who deserve an award. Cathy St. Amend spoke to the Cardiac Arrest Survivors Celebration on May 23rd, the CPR Saturday that was successfully done February 9th at Gonzaga University, the upcoming TBI training on February 27th, and the Spokane Resuscitation Seminar on March 22nd.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nitel: Dr. Scott Edminster will be presenting Penetrating Trauma tonight. Next month is the 100th show and there will be a special celebration.

Funding Proposals for EMS/MPD Office: Dr. Metcalf and Dr. Nania reported that, along with Wade Scoles, they had met with Chief Bobby Williams, Asst Chief Brian Schaeffer, and Mayor David Condon. The mayor's perspective did not reflect our previous impression that the consideration of withdrawal of support for the EMS Council/MPD was primarily based on financial concerns. Rather, Mayor Condon is seeking to integrate the most appropriate City functions in functional alignment with other City priorities. The MPD and Council representatives advocated strongly that the life saving services of our EMS system should be a major priority and closely interrelated with our City government.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval:

- Distribution of Services
- East Region Appointment for Jay Atwood as Chair of the Communications Committee
- ESSO Application for Northern Quest Casino
- ESSO Application for the US Marshalls's Office
- An EMS Evaluator Application for Gregory Bennett
- Updated OTEP Plan for Spokane International Airport
- SCC EMT Class 4-2-13/6-19-13

The Inland Northwest Law Enforcement Leadership Group has endorsed Chief Straub, SPD, as the Law Enforcement Member for the Spokane County EMS & Trauma Care Council.

The Council reviewed NREMT pass rates by level of service for 2012. Overall they indicated a trend toward significant improvement.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: Brian stated that Jay Atwood is being promoted to Division Chief.

East Region: No report

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: The new PM class will officially start Monday, February 18, 2013. Carolyn thanked City Fire for their preceptor support for the current PM class. Brian asked if some of the other agencies could assist, too, with preceptors. There was a positive response to that from the other agencies.

QI: Dr. Nania updated the EMS Council on the Spokane County CPA Survival Campaign as well as the intent to review RSI today and other protocol development.

ESSO: No report

Fairchild: No report.

Announcements: None

Dr. Metcalf, Vice Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

March 12, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Sharon Colby, Dr. Travis Dierks, Toni Halloran, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, Robbie Thorn, Dr. Danielle Wolff

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: February 12, 2013 minutes were MS/P.

Chair's Remarks: Wade mentioned that the EMS Awards will be presented in May and encouraged everyone to take the time to nominate those who deserve an award. The deadline for awards is April 25, 2013. Cathy St. Amend reminded us of the Resuscitation Academy at AMR on March 22, 2013. Randy introduced Brian Collins, who is the new SVF Chief.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nite!: Tonight will be the 100th EMS Live @ Nite! and it will be preceded with a reception including snacks and awards. Wade and Dr. Jimmy will be presenting tonight.

Funding Proposals for EMS/MPD Office: Nothing new to report

RAMSES: With the Washington State EMS Regions now using WaTRAC, RAMSES will stay online, but will be 'staying' in the background if needed. In the interim, INHS will put up a banner page to redirect it to WaTRAC.

Paramedic Protocol Provider: Our 2nd year fee of 3 years at \$1,000 per year is due if we want to continue using it. It appeared that most were pleased with it and were using it. It was M/S and approved to continue. Additionally, the Council would like to know the number of users and what the fee will be after 3 years.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval/review:

- HTM EMT Class 4-20-13 / 7-13-13
- HTN's AEMT Class Course Completion with 6/6 passing

Robbie Thorn, our hospital representative. Appealed to all EMS agencies to do their very best to obtain accurate patient identification information and document it on the Preliminary Field Report. This information is extremely important to facilitate access to the electronic medical record and subsequent patient tracking. We will send a message to all EMS agencies.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

East Region: Adam reported that they are working on the Region's Strategic Plan and that there are numerous subcommittee opportunities to participate within the Region.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: 14 students finished their internship and there will be a new class November 2013. So far, 10 applications have been received for the class.

QI: Reviewing EMS agencies experience with RSI, continuing efforts to improve survival from CPA in Spokane County. A Laryngectomy protocol is being developed.

ESSO: No report

Fairchild: No report.

Announcements: None

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

April 9, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Tom Chavez, Sharon Colby, Dr. Greg Cover, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Rod Heimbigner, Jerry Lueck, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. Bob Notske, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Shaun Pitts, Patty Richards, Jim Schiffers, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, Robbie Thorn, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: The March 12, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks: Dr. Metcalf mentioned that Wade Scoles was our of town and he would be chairing the meeting today.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nite!: Today's show will be on Child Abuse. Also, efforts are being made to stream the shows to additional sites. INHS has recognized the bridge personnel for their consistent support allowing more sites to view EMS Live.

EMS Awards: Dr. Metcalf encouraged the agencies to submit nominations for the EMS Awards to be presented at the May meeting. The deadline is April 26th and will not be extended.

Paramedic Protocol Provider: The Council approved the app service last month, but, in answer to questions last month, Ray stated that there are over 300 users of the service and that the provider will provide a 5 year contract at \$1,000 per year.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval/review:

- East Region appointment for Erika Henry
- EMS Training Program Application for EMT Training
- EMT Training's EMT Course Application 6-5-13/8-28-13
- EMR Course Completion for FD #3

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

East Region: Adam reported that they still have an open space on the Executive Board and, other than AMR and MedStar, we have no EMS or Fire representations. He would like to encourage someone to participate with the Region. He also reported that Kim Burk will be retiring at the end of June.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: Dr. Dierks stated that school began in February of this year and the class is doing well and that the class will be receiving Wilderness Medicine training.

QI: Dr. Edminster reported that the QI Committee will be looking at 3 run reviews, Spokane County CPA Survival Campaign, High Performance CPR, Protocols for

**Laryngectomy, Intraosseous Infusions In Children, Hydroxocobalamin,
Emergency Departments phone numbers, scope of Practice for BLS IO, and
Shortage of D50.**

ESSO: No report

Fairchild: No report

Announcements: None

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

May 14, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Sharon Colby, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Joel Edminster, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Kelly Jennings, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Tony Nielsen, Dr. Bob Notske, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Shaun Pitts, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: The April 9, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Due to Erika Henry's present labor, Wade suggested she might want to make a report now and then be excused. She stated that the Disaster Medical Control Center (DMCC) plan, a function required of Health Care Coalitions in WA state to provide for hospitals in our planning region, has been updated to reflect the real-world regional relationships and expressed desires of Region 9 hospitals. They have gone with a sub-regional approach: Holy Family will serve Ferry, Stevens, and PdO counties. Deaconess will serve Adams, Lincoln, and Spokane counties. Pullman Regional will serve Whitman, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin counties. Though the function is required to be provided, nobody is required to use the function, and anybody can choose to use it if only as a means of situational awareness: law, fire, EMS, etc. The revision took over a year to complete and has been regularly reported / presented on at several HCC General Membership and Executive Council (on which EMS and fire each have seats) meetings. Hospitals have received the revised DMCC posters to hang in their emergency departments. East Region EMS Trauma Care Council has started a review of their PCP8 and expects to complete it in June 2013.

Dr. Nania, again, strongly encouraged that Health Care Coalition redefinition the roles and responsibilities of the DMCC be integrated into the long standing and currently operational Spokane County Disaster Plan

Chair's Remarks: Wade stated that EMS Week is May 19-25, 2013. The City of Spokane will be presenting an EMS Proclamation at their May 20, 2013 City Council meeting. Chief Williams, Spokane Fire Department and Jerry Lueck, AMR, will be receiving the Proclamation. Also, Spokane County will be presenting an EMS Proclamation at its May 21st meeting at 2 PM. Dr. Nania will be receiving it.

EMS Awards: The EMS Awards for service in 2012 were presented as follows: Communication Specialist to Michael Cappellano-Spokane Fire, BLS Responder to Carleen Vanderistyne-SCFD #13, ALS Responder to Carol Stone-AMR, Instructor to Gary Hoertz-HTN, Affiliate to HTN-INHS, Special Services to Cathy St. Amand-AMR, and Agency to AMR.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nite!: Tonight's show will be on Helicopter Safety and will be held at MedStar.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval/review:

- Initial SEI Recognition for Shaun Pitts
- 1 EMT and 1 PM Course Completion for HTN
- 1 EMT Course Completion for SCFD #10
- Northwest MedStar Bridge Class, Nurse to EMT

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

East Region: The next Regional meeting is June 12, 2013. Kim will be retiring at the end of June and Linette Gahringer from the North Central Region will be coming to the East Region to see if she might be able to direct both regions.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: The training is going well and the 2012 class finished their internships

QI: Dr Nania reported that a 2012 RSI summary will be presented as well as WACARES date for 2012.

Fairchild: No report.

Announcements: Patti Richards reported that there will be a full scale Mass Casualty Exercise at the Spokane Valley Mall on June 2nd at 0100. Approximately 200 volunteers will participate as Mall patrons as an active shooter opens fire and injures and kills many. Law enforcement, fire, EMS and local hospitals are all participating as patients are triaged, treated and transported to care.

Randy Olson presented a handout and briefly introduced a free application called PulsePoint. PulsePoint is being used in over 300 communities in 8 states and 2 countries to notify individuals of a reported cardiac arrest in their vicinity and the location of the nearest A.E.D. He is asking the Council to consider introducing the PulsePoint program in Spokane County.

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

June 11, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Sharon Colby, Dr. Greg Cover, Dr. Joel Edminster, Rod Heimbigner, Jerry Lueck, Tom Mattern, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Dr. Bob Notske, Randy Olson, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Ryan Schlining, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, Robbie Thorn, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: The May 14, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks: Wade stated that the budget committee was working on the budget and that the office may be moving to the Fire Training Center by September 6th or so. The executive committee will be developing an evaluation tool, also.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nite!: Tonight's show will be on BLS Drugs and the 11th year topics have been selected.

New Business

- Reviewed the WACARES 2012 Utstein Survival Report.
- Reviewed an EMT Course Completion for FD # 9 with 22/25 passing.
- Reviewed then M/S and approved a Laryngectomy Respiratory Protocol and a Laryngectomy Reference.
- Reviewed a Laryngectomy and Tracheostomy Management tool.
- Reviewed and commented on the Valley Active Shooter Exercise (VASE). The QI Committee will be reviewing triage, treatment and transport issues with the intent to develop a formal Spokane County recommendation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

East Region: Adam stated that Kim will retire and her last day as Executive Director of the East Region will be tomorrow, the same day as the next Regional meeting is June 12, 2013 and we are invited. Linette Gahringer, Executive Director of the North Central Region, was introduced and she will be contracting with the East Region as Executive Director as well.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: Carolyn stated that the PM class is going very well and about half of the current class had completed the course. The mid-term exam average for the class was of 87%. She also stated that applications are being accepted for the fall class.

QI: The QI Committee had looked at the Pit Crew CPR Procedure last month. Today, the committee reviewed revised drafts that reflect this concept with the intent to make it consistent within Spokane County.

Dr. Nania attended the annual MPD's meeting and the following subjects were discussed:

- Community based paramedics
- TBI training: Importance of serial GCS documentation

- WEMSIS
- KPI EMS quality measures
- Drug shortages
- Update on Cardiac and Stroke system
- Airway management

Fairchild: No report.

Wade mentioned that MedStar has a new helicopter, a Eurocopter EC-135 with an updated paint design and that the crews have new uniforms.

Announcements: Randy mentioned that last Wednesday the East Valley High School had an AED save on 15 year old girl thanks to a teacher, a school nurse, and an AED close by. Also, Steve Tevlin mentioned that Mead High School had a save, too, on the baseball field from citizen compressions.

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

July 9, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Sharon Colby, Dr. Greg Cover, Dr. Scott Edminster, Dr. Travis Dierks, Rod Heimbigner, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Tony Nielson, Dr. Bob Notske, Randy Olson, Shaun Pitts, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: June 11, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks: Ray presented a pictorial review of the recent memorial service for Spokane Firefighter, John Knighten.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Office Update: Wade reported that we agreed to move the office by the 1st week in September to its new location in the Fire Training Center.

EMS Live @ Nite!: No show scheduled for July or August.

New Business

The following EMS Evaluators were approved: Devon Gustafson, David Simboli, Mark Bankey, Marcus Duarte, Matthew Jorgensen, Douglas Presta, Jeffrey Willits, and Daniel Williams. The following classes were recommended for approval:

- EMT class for EMT Training, 9/4/2013-12/14/2013
- EMT online class for Health Training Network, 9/9/2013-11/30/2013
- EMT class for Health Training Network, 9/3/2013-11/30/2013
- AEMT class for Health Training Network, 9/16/2013-12/18/2013
- PM class for Health Training Network, 10/7/2013-4/8/2014

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: No report.

East Region: Adam stated that Kim had her retirement party and that the Region still has openings for members.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: Dr. Dierks reported that several have completed the current PM program and 12 students in the 2nd class have completed the didactic portion.

QI: Requested all EMS agencies that carry Schedule II narcotics review their procedures to ensure consistency with recently developed State guidelines. The QI Committee will review MCI issues with the intention of making recommendations for the triage, treatment, and transport of patients.

Fairchild: They are in the process of becoming an ESSO.

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

September 10, 2013 Dr. Travis Dierks

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Tom Chaves, Jason Coder, Sharon Colby, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Kelly Jennings, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. Nolan McMullin, Dr. James Nania, Randy Olson, Shaun Pitts, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amand, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: July 9, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks: Wade passed out copies of the 2014 EMS Office budget that had previously been sent to Council members.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Office Update: Wade met with an attorney, as approved by the Council in July, regarding the relationship between the City and the MPD's office and potential to transition the MPD's office to contract status. The bill will be paid out of reserves.

EMS Live @ Nite!: Tonight's show is The Real Story with Shaun Pitts instructing.

New Business

The following class was recommended for approval:

- EMT Class, FD 4, 10/28-13/1/30/14

The following Course Completions were approved:

- 2 EMS EMT Course Completions, HTN
- EMS AEMT Course Completion, HTN
- EMS PM Course Completion, HTN
- EMS EMT Course Completion, EMS Education

An East Region Membership Application as the Law Enforcement representative was recommended for Lydia Taylor

Pit Crew Resuscitation Reference: Committee members indicated that it would have been appropriate to review this material with the EMS Council and seek their approval prior to incorporating it into the EMS Manual. This was acknowledged by Dr. Nania and the Reference remained approved with modifications to be developed by the QI Committee to ensure that this does not appear to obligate an agency EMS response beyond current capabilities.

Calcium Gluconate: The emergency addition of Calcium Chloride to our drug formulary was explained. Continued use of Calcium Gluconate (when available) was strongly encouraged. Appropriate in-service training regarding the use of this different formulary of calcium was emphasized as essential to patient's safety.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: Kelly reminded everyone to be sure to follow the bylaws when appropriate. He will provide comments to Cathy for Pit Crew, too.

East Region: Adam stated that they closed the East Region office, Linette Gahringer was given a new contract, and they will be updating their web page.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: Carolyn reported that Dr. Dirks has relinquished his position with the PM program due to his increased ER duties at Deaconess. Dr. Joel Edminster will continue his duties with the PM Program. She also reported that the class of 16 is ready to start October 7th.

QI: Jim Nania, as Chairman of the QI Committee shared with the EMS Council our plan to take our second look at system wide ACS and Stroke QI at the November and December QI meetings.

Fairchild: Chief Ladd reported that Kimo Kuheana and Dave Kilpack are back at FAFB Fire Department

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

October 8, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Sharon Colby, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Kelly Jennings, Jerry Lueck, David Leavenworth, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Dr. Bob Notske, Randy Olson, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Wade Scoles, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amand, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, Kevin Von Steuben, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: September 10, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks:

Old Business

EMS Live @ Nitel: Tonight's show is CPAP with Wade Scoles instructing.

New Business

The following class was recommended for approval: RN to EMT Bridge, MedStar Pyramid Surveillance Project: Dr. Nania gave an update on renewal of acquisition of lab data.

Deputy Chief Ladd shared concerns for the lack of county wide coordination regarding new practices for MCI events. He requested that the Valley Active Shooter Exercise (VASE) be shared with all of our EMS agencies. In addition, Deputy Chief Ladd expressed interest in sharing of new training between agencies regarding the revised principles of trauma, triage, and immediate field care. A request will be made to distribute the VASE to all County EMS agencies.

HERT Team: Dr. Nania discussed the previous as well as current identification of Hospital Emergency Response Teams (HERT) in our current MCI plan. Perhaps, because this is a rare occurrence and has not recently been practiced, the recent request for such a response was successful primarily because a volunteer citizen initiated the call rather than an acknowledged planned response. It was agreed to form a work group to evaluate our current plan for hospital team responses, possibly revise it and recommend what steps be taken to better ensure a response.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: Kelly discussed a recent City ordinance creating penalties for 911 abuses. He expressed the opinion that an ordinance such as this might well serve all of Spokane County.

East Region: Their regular meeting will be tomorrow at 11 AM.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: A new PM class started October 7th with 5 students from Spokane Valley Fire in the Class.

QI: Discussed plans for cardiac and stroke QI in November and December. Shared with Council the need for the urgent amendment of our protocols/drug reference to allow for the use Calcium Gluconate should Calcium Chloride become unavailable.

AMR and Physio discussed the possibility using Spokane as a pilot site for 2 exciting projects to help provide valuable feedback regarding the quality of CPR and airway management.

Fairchild: No report.

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

November 12, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Tom Chavez, Sharon Colby, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Scott Edminster, Greg Godfrey, Toni Halloran, Kelly Jennings, Jerry Lueck, Kevin McCollum, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amand, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, Robbie Thorn, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: October 8, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks: None

Old Business

The Guideline, Paramedics New to Spokane, was reviewed. The document as revised during the previous time of a potential disruption of EMS transport capability was circulated for an emergent vote to all voting EMS Council members. The vote was unanimous in favor for approval. The motion to adopt this policy was affirmed by a second vote at the Council meeting.

EMS Live @ Nite!:

- Tammy Drapeau will be presenting Spinal Immobilization tonight.
- AMR-Physio Studies: Cathy St. Amend plans to undertake these extremely valuable studies in Spokane County.
- HERT Teams: The EMS Council approved the County Operating Procedure regarding renewing the concept of a HURT response for Spokane County EMS. Our hospitals will be contacted to request the established lists of voluntary responders and take what measures necessary to formalize this as a hospital policy. In addition, the need to practice the implementation of this capacity was emphasized.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval:

- SEI Rerecognition for Kelly Jennings
- Initial SEI Application for Clair Bennett, HTN
- EMT Class, 1/1/14-4/5/14 by EMT Training

Minor changes to Ondansetron, Glucagon, and Diltiazem were made and deleted the need to call for needle thoracostomy with Chest Trauma. They will be posted in the EMS Manual at the December 2013 update.

EMS Supervising Physicians access to the EMR: Dr. Scott Edminster addressed the difficulty in performing necessary quality improvement activities because of the recent transition of the EMR systems of our two hospitals systems. It was moved and approved to have the EMS Council Chair send a letter to the appropriate hospital IT personnel requesting medical record access for patients transported to our hospitals by EMS.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: No report

East Region: No report

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: The 2nd Advisory Committee meeting will be next Monday. 13 students will be starting their internship. Carolyn will be looking into building a SIM Lab. She will be looking into grants for the law enforcement defibrillators.

QI: Discussed plans to have our second look at hospital and prehospital stroke date today. ACS data to be reviewed at December's meeting. Chief Straub will be at the QI meeting today at 11AM.

Fairchild: No report.

Other: The Council M/S and passed to review the bylaws regarding the addition of another hospital representative so that there would be one from Providence Healthcare Services and one from Community Health Systems. Robbie was acknowledged for her regular attendance and steadfast efforts to keep the hospital component of emergency medical care well integrated with our EMS system.

Tim Loncon and Jim Schaffer will be replacing Dale Treichel and Kevin McCollum who will be retiring.

Wade Scoles, Chair

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

December 10, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Tom Chavez, Sharon Colby, Dr. Greg Cover, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Scott Edminster, Greg Godfrey, Toni Halloran, Kelly Jennings, David Leavenworth, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Randy Olson, Shaun Pitts, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amand, Steve Tevlin, Robbie Thorn, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: November 12, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Chair's Remarks: Wade requested nominees for vice chair. He acknowledged the long term, consistent, and outstanding contribution of Chief Randy Olson of the Spokane Valley Fire Department to improving the quality of emergency quality care, not just in our Valley, but throughout the county. Randy will be retiring as of January 1, 2014 and will be greatly missed.

Wade also acknowledged the long term contributions of Kevin McCollum and Dale Treichel in providing patient care on the streets as well as tremendous contribution to the improvement of our Protocols and Patient Care Procedures.

Old Business

EMS Live @ Nite!: Steve Pitts will be presenting "Doing Something With Nothing" tonight.

New Business

Chief Richard Price, at the invitation of Chief Bryan Collins and Randy Olson, made an excellent presentation regarding the integration of the "Pulse Point" program into our emergency response system. This program has already received the endorsement of the CCC Board. The EMS Council subsequently voted unanimously in favor of a motion made by Dr. Metcalf to support the adoption of this powerful tool. Tentative 'go live' date is February 14, 2014.

Vice Chair, Dr. Metcalf, shared that he had written a letter to contacts at the Providence and CHS hospital systems regarding the value and importance of sharing patient data with the physician who advise our EMS services.

The following were approved and/or recommended for approval:

- EMS Course Completion, 4 PMs
- FD 3 EMR Class, 1/16/14 – 3/16/14
- HTN EMT Class, 1/7/14 – 4/8/14
- SCC EMT Class, 1/7/14 -3/20/14
- EMS Evaluators Application: Scott Ross, Glen Schade, and John Mashtare

Proposed Membership Bylaws change: Kelly Jennings made a motion in favor of not increasing the number of voting hospital representatives on the EMS Council. The motion was supported by 7 votes in favor and 2 votes opposed. Robbie Thorn was acknowledged

for her consistent nonpartisan representation of our community hospitals. The hospitals were encouraged to formally select a representative on an annual basis.

Ron Willey addressed an accumulation of backboards at PSHMC and requested agencies to retrieve their equipment. AMR and MedStar volunteered to help in the process.

2013 Hospital Data: Dr. Nania presented a summary of our prehospital stroke data for the first 6 months of 2013.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Inland Empire Fire Chiefs Association: The Chiefs and the CCC Board had a PulsePoint presentation. The EMS Council will have a presentation tomorrow.

East Region: They will be having the monthly meeting next week.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: No report

QI: Discussed plan to address ACS prehospital and hospital data at today's meeting. The shortage of dopamine and the emergency revision the epinephrine drug reference and related protocols was shared with the committee.

Fairchild: No report.

Other: None

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SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA COUNCIL

May 14, 2013

Members/Alternates Present: Jay Atwood, Sharon Colby, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Joel Edminster, Dr. Scott Edminster, Toni Halloran, Kelly Jennings, Jerry Lueck, Lori Markham, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. James Nania, Tony Nielsen, Dr. Bob Notske, Randy Olson, Gino Palomino, Shaun Pitts, Patty Richards, Brian Schaeffer, Ryan Schlining, Cathy St. Amend, Carolyn Stovall, Steve Tevlin, and Dr. Danielle Wolff.

Staff Present: Ray Tansy

Minutes: The April 9, 2013 minutes were M/S/P.

Due to Erika Henry's present labor, Wade suggested she might want to make a report now and then be excused. She stated that the Disaster Medical Control Center (DMCC) plan, a function required of Health Care Coalitions in WA state to provide for hospitals in our planning region, has been updated to reflect the real-world regional relationships and expressed desires of Region 9 hospitals. They have gone with a sub-regional approach: Holy Family will serve Ferry, Stevens, and PdO counties. Deaconess will serve Adams, Lincoln, and Spokane counties. Pullman Regional will serve Whitman, Columbia, Garfield, and Asotin counties. Though the function is required to be provided, nobody is required to use the function, and anybody can choose to use it if only as a means of situational awareness: law, fire, EMS, etc. The revision took over a year to complete and has been regularly reported / presented on at several HCC General Membership and Executive Council (on which EMS and fire each have seats) meetings. Hospitals have received the revised DMCC posters to hang in their emergency departments. East Region EMS Trauma Care Council has started a review of their PCP8 and expects to complete it in June 2013.

Dr. Nania, again, strongly encouraged that Health Care Coalition redefinition the roles and responsibilities of the DMCC be integrated into the long standing and currently operational Spokane County Disaster Plan

Chair's Remarks: Wade stated that EMS Week is May 19-25, 2013. The City of Spokane will be presenting an EMS Proclamation at their May 20, 2013 City Council meeting. Chief Williams, Spokane Fire Department and Jerry Lueck, AMR, will be receiving the Proclamation. Also, Spokane County will be presenting an EMS Proclamation at its May 21st meeting at 2 PM. Dr. Nania will be receiving it.

EMS Awards: The EMS Awards for service in 2012 were presented as follows: Communication Specialist to Michael Cappellano-Spokane Fire, BLS Responder to Carleen Vanderistyne-SCFD #13, ALS Responder to Carol Stone-AMR, Instructor to Gary Hoertz-

HTN, Affiliate to HTN-INHS, Special Services to Cathy St. Amand-AMR, and Agency to AMR.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Live @ Nite!: Tonight's show will be on Helicopter Safety and will be held at MedStar.

New Business

The following were recommended for approval/review:

- Initial SEI Recognition for Shaun Pitts
- 1 EMT and 1 PM Course Completion for HTN
- 1 EMT Course Completion for SCFD #10
- Northwest MedStar Bridge Class, Nurse to EMT

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East Region: The next Regional meeting is June 12, 2013. Kim will be retiring at the end of June and Linette Gahringer from the North Central Region will be coming to the East Region to see if she might be able to direct both regions.

Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: The training is going well and the 2012 class finished their internships

QI: Dr Nania reported that a 2012 RSI summary will be presented as well as WACARES date for 2012.

Fairchild: No report.

Announcements: Patti Richards reported that there will be a full scale Mass Casualty Exercise at the Spokane Valley Mall on June 2nd at 0100. Approximately 200 volunteers will participate as Mall patrons as an active shooter opens fire and injures and kills many. Law enforcement, fire, EMS and local hospitals are all participating as patients are triaged, treated and transported to care.

Randy Olson presented a handout and briefly introduced a free application called PulsePoint. PulsePoint is being used in over 300 communities in 8 states and 2 countries to notify individuals of a reported cardiac arrest in their vicinity and the location of the nearest A.E.D. He is asking the Council to consider introducing the PulsePoint program in Spokane County.

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