

01/18/2018 EPAB Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Voting Member	Represents	Jan 18	Mar 22	May 24	July 26	Sept 27	Dec 06
Chris Bolton	Baylor All Saints	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Daniel Guzman	Cook Children's	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anant Patel	JPS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rajesh Gandhi	JPS (Trauma)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holly Baselle	MedCtrAlliance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Alana Snyder	MCFW	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steven Martin	TCMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gary Floyd	TCMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dan Goggin	TCMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Angela Self	TCMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brett Cochrum	TCMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Geesbreght	THR - FW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brad Commons	THR – Alliance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
William Witham	THR (Trauma)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shawn Sanderson	THR - Huguely	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Michelle Beeson	THR - SW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Attendee	Representing	Attendee	Representing	Attendee	Representing
Douglas Hooten	MAEMSA	Ken Simpson	MAEMSA	Kristin Wilson	THFW
Amanda Robbins	FWESC	Kate Colquitt	TCPH	Michael Farris	CareFlite
Matt Zavadsky	MedStar	Kristofer Schleicher	MedStar	Page Carter	CareFlite
Joan Jordan	MedStar	Richard Brooks	MedStar	Desiree Partain	MedStar
Dwayne Howerton	OMD	William Gleason	OMD	Veer Vithalani	OMD
Casey Davis	BFD	Perry Bynum	HCFD	James White	HCFD
David Davies	OMD	Jason Cearley	FWFD	Neal Richmond	OMD
Laura Long	OMD	Brian Miller	OMD		

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1. Opening - Dr. Floyd
 - a. Meeting called to order at 12:45
 - i. Proxy votes to Dr. Bolton from Dr. Patel and Dr. Martin
 - ii. Proxy votes to Dr. Geesbreght from Dr. Commons
 - iii. Proxy votes to Dr. Floyd from Dr. Guzman
2. Review of Minutes - On hold so we can start and give additional members time to arrive
3. Community Reports
 - a. Public Health - Catherine Colquitt
 - i. Flu season -
 1. Vaccine will help to mitigate flu if contracted.
 2. CDC has information on their website
 3. Asking that it be treated immediately and not to stop treatment if testing says it isn't the flu
 - b. EOC -No Representative available
 - c. FRAB- Chief Davis (Burleson FD)
 - i. Trial of tablets in Burleson is going well.
 - ii. Saginaw should start trial soon
 - iii. Fort Worth has extended their trail another 6 months to give their IT time to work through a few issues
 - d. MAEMSA / MedStar - Doug Hooten
 - i. Finished the financial audit with no issues. Will be discussed further in the next MAEMSA meeting
 - ii. New Center up north in the next five years
 - iii. New ambulances will start arriving in March
 - iv. Changes in Temperature and Flu season have been keeping us busy
4. Executive Board Report – Dr. Floyd
 - a. The executive board met, but did not vote on any issues
5. Financial Report – Dr. Floyd
 - a. Review of the provided report
6. Medical Directors Report
 - a. Quality Assurance Review - William "Buck" Gleason
 - i. Sentinel Events Reviewed
 - ii. Disposition Reviewed
 - iii. System Improvement Trends
 1. STEMI Recognition and ACS Protocol
 2. Cardiac arrest management
 3. Spinal Motion Restriction protocol
 4. AMA/RAS Protocol
 5. Advanced airway management
 - iv. Monitor fatigue is being work through. New monitors alarm so often that they are not as effective.

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- v. The new software doesn't allow for the quick report card to be sent back to the crew. We are working on a way to send the crew feedback faster.
- b. Training and Education - David Davies
 - i. 3 milestones based on certification and credentialing of provider
 - ii. Completed weekly by candidates and FTO
 - iii. Reviewed and verified by OMD at two-week meeting
 - iv. 5 Major Competency Categories
 - v. 21 (Tentative) Sub-competency Categories
 - vi. Produces an overall picture of functioning at credentialing level
- c. MIH Updates - Dr. Richmond
 - i. Compliance (Is graduation after 30-90 days a function of compliance with the program?)
 - ii. Program management and follow-up
 - iii. Were MIH visits kept?
 - iv. Were PCP visits kept?
 - v. Were PCPs available for consultation?
 - vi. Was there compliance with medications?
 - vii. Patient self-report
 - viii. Medication inventory (pill count, RX refill)
 - ix. Is there compliance with dietary recommendations?
 - x. Patient self-report
 - xi. Food inventory
 - xii. Are there other contributing compliance factors?
 - xiii. Quality of Care: clinical program effectiveness and safety (Is graduation after 30-90 days a function of quality of care?)
 - xiv. Were symptoms/signs appropriately evaluated?
 - xv. Vitals, SpO₂ and EtCO₂, weight, SOB/DOE, edema, exercise capacity, orthopnea/pnd
 - xvi. Were iStat measurements appropriately performed and abnormal values addressed?
 - xvii. Were EKGs performed for abnormal sx/signs, and were abnormal findings addressed?
 - xviii. Were patients treated as per protocol?
 - xix. Diuresis
 - xx. Potassium supplementation
 - xxi. Other
 - xxii. Was there appropriate follow-up?
 - xxiii. We need to look into what we are going to do as a system for these individuals.

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d. Lift assist - Dr. Vithalani

i. Patient assessment

History

- ii. Attempt to speak with the patient and/or whomever called 911, as well as any family, friends, bystanders, patient surrogates, or guardians and/or medical personnel on scene
- iii. Obtain a history of present illness, including circumstances leading to the need for the lift-assist
- iv. Evaluate past medical history, including risk factors and the use of medications that may pertain to the current request for assistance.

Physical

- v. Obtain vital signs and perform a physical exam
- vi. Decisional Capacity
- vii. Develop a differential diagnosis specific to the patient presentation
- viii. If there is a high index of suspicion for illness or injury, and if the patient refuses medical treatment and/or transport, explain the risks and consequences of refusing treatment and/or transport at the patient's level of understanding, based upon the differential diagnosis
- ix. Protocol Pearls
 - x. Patients, patients guardians, or patients health care surrogates must demonstrate decisional capacity in order to make an informed refusal of consent for treatment and/or transport
 - xi. A patient's decisional capacity may be impaired as a result of, but not limited to, the following:
 - xii. Use and/or abuse of alcohol, illegal or prescription drugs, or toxic substances
 - xiii. Head trauma, dementia, encephalopathy, and/or mental retardation
 - xiv. Acute or chronic psychiatric illness
 - xv. Medical illness including, but not limited to, the following: hypoxia, hypotension, hyperglycemia, hypoglycemia, dehydration, and sepsis
 - xvi. If patient lacks decisional capacity, and refuses treatment or transport:
- xvii. Ensure provider safety first and foremost
- xviii. Contact Field Supervisor and/or OMD/OLPG as necessary
- xix. Next steps include coming together as a system to defining what we are all going to do on most of these calls, then looking at these charts to see what happens to these patients.
- xx. Dr. Floyd - While it does create additional work for the system, this is one of the aspects of what we are here for. Nationally the mobile healthcare cases are being scrutinized, and we may need to start looking at how to get these individuals educated about their illness.
- xxi. M. Zavadsky - As discussed in system performance committee, when does a person become a patient? When does a lift assist need an assessment?
 - 1. Is it every time?
 - 2. A specific number of time?

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- xxii. Dr. Witham –
 - 1. Are we proposing that every lift assist get vitals and a little H&P? Yes, that is in the protocol.
 - 2. Will that put them in the system to make this easier to track? Yes
- xxiii. Chief Davis (Burlson FD) - 80% of their calls are EMS, and are trying to educate and update their system accordingly
- xxiv. Chief Cearley – (Fort Worth FD) is working on updating their systems and training for the additional work being added to the FROs

7. Minutes reviewed and approved

8. Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 14:00 by Dr. Floyd. The next general meeting will be at 12:30 on 03/22/2018.

Minutes submitted by: Laura Long