

EMS Medical Control Committee Meeting
EMS Symposium
Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, SC
February 25, 2016
8:00 am

<i>MEMBERS PRESENT</i>	<i>MEMBERS ABSENT</i>	<i>DHEC STAFF</i>
Ed DesChamps, MD, Chair	Carol Baker Burger, MD	Rob Wronski
Garrett Clanton, MD	Ron Fuerst, MD	Arnold Alier, EdD
Martin Lutz, MD	William Gerard, MD	Mary Neely
Doug Norcross (phone)	Peter Hyman, MD	Willie Brown
	Mac Nowell, MD	
	John Sorrell, MD	
VISITOR PRESENT: William Barnes, Chad Burrell, John Dobson, Marty Eells, David French, MD, Todd McGeorge, Tami Massey, Tim Miller, Randy Reinhardt, MD, Charles Reeves, Greig Samuels, Mark Self, William Shivar, Jennifer Thackston, Jason Walchok, Daniel White		

<i>AGENDA ITEM</i>	<i>DISCUSSION/ACTION</i>
CALL TO ORDER	Dr. DesChamps called the meeting to order.
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT	Ms. Neely read the Freedom of Information Act.
ROLL CALL	Ms. Neely called the roll.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<i>It was noted that Dr. Norcross was listed as being both present and absent at the last meeting in the minutes; and that Dr. Clanton made the motion to add Calcium Chloride to the Drug Formulary. After the corrections, the minutes were accepted unanimously.</i>
DHEC STAFF REPORTS	
Regulations 61-7 and 61-116	Dr. Alier reported that both Regulation 61-7 and Regulation 61-116 are presently before the Legislature.
National Competency Model	Dr. Alier announced that the National Registry has introduced the new National Competency Model, replacing the IST program. Instead of the refresher course, all hours will be Continuing Education hours. Some hours will be NR's "core" hours and the rest of the hours are local options. This is set to begin April 1 st .
"Banking" National Registry Hours	Dr. Alier said SC is part of a pilot through the NR which allows those who have turned in their NR hours to be able to start "banking" NR hours for the next NR cycle. These hours cannot carry over more than one certificate cycle.

<p>NARCAN Training</p>	<p>Dr. Alier stated the SC Overdose Prevention Act passed last May and it went into effect earlier this year. This Act allows all First Responders-Fire Fighters and Police-to administer Narcan (nalozone) without having full EMS training.</p> <p>Pilot programs were started with police departments in areas where the opioid and heroin overdoses where a problem. DHEC was asked to assist with the training.</p> <p>Mr. Wronski demonstrated the Narcan self-injector.</p> <p>Discussion followed.</p> <p>Dr. Alier reminded the Committee there is already a law that allows BLS services to administer Narcan by injection or nasally, if the Medical Control Physician approves.</p> <p>Discussion followed.</p>
<p>RACE Stroke Tool</p>	<p>Dr. Alier announced that copies of the RACE Stoke Tool are available at the DHEC booth in the Vendor's Hall.</p>
<p>Community Paramedic Update</p>	<p>Dr. Alier said there will be a meeting during the Symposium to finalize the data set for the Community Paramedic.</p> <p>Discussion followed.</p>
<p>Margie's Law</p>	<p>Mr. Wronski stated the Legislature recently made a change to the Do Not Resuscitate Law (DNR). Margie's Law allows for DHEC to design a DNR bracelet that an individual may wear, instead of carrying a paper DNR.</p>
<p>Triage Tags</p>	<p>Mr. Wisniewski reported that the Trauma Regulation 61-116 requires that all 911/EMS agencies to use the same Triage tags. These tags will be provided by the Bureau, and training will be provided in each of the Regions.</p>
<p>RTAC Meetings</p>	<p>Mr. Wisniewski said that the Regional TAC groups (RTAC) have lots of good work going on, and they need the participation from this group.</p>
<p>Trauma Funding</p>	<p>Mr. Wisniewski clarified that there are no changes being made to the trauma funding. He said that at the January TAC meeting there was</p>

<p>EMS for Children</p> <p>Hantevy Bags</p> <p>National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Assessment</p> <p>New Lowcountry Inspector</p>	<p>discussion regarding how the hospital funds were distributed.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore reported that a FEMA Pediatric Disaster Preparedness course was held earlier in the week. The course helped identify some issues SC has regarding pediatric disaster preparation. She added the division is planning to start a Pediatric Disaster Preparedness coalition to create guidelines for the state.</p> <p>Mrs. Moore stated EMSC was able to fully stock 3 EMS agencies with the pediatric Hantevy Bags.</p> <p>Mr. Wronski announced a state-wide EMS assessment by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will take place during the first week of November. This assessment is much like the American College of Surgeons Survey done for the Trauma System in SC. Discussion</p> <p>Dr. Alier introduced Willie Brown, the Bureau's new Lowcountry Inspector.</p>
<p>REVIEW PROTOCOLS</p>	<p>Dr. DesChamps stated that he and a few others got a quarter of the way through revising the protocols before Thanksgiving. He estimates at least 2 full days are needed to finish the revisions.</p>
<p>OLD BUSINESS</p> <p>Bureau of Drug Control Update</p>	<p>Mr. Wronski reported the Bureau of Drug Control has done two random inspections on EMS agencies. Both agencies were acceptable and are working with Drug Control to clean up their data.</p>
<p>NEW BUSINESS</p> <p>Tranexamic Acid (TXA) Aiken County Pilot</p> <p>Conscious Sedation Pilot</p>	<p>The scheduled presenters were absent; however, there was a discussion of the issue. The consensus was to pass this issue to the TAC or Committee on Trauma.</p> <p>Dr. Reinhardt, Medical Control Physician for Laurens County EMS, came before the Committee to present a pilot project for "Ketamine Facilitated Intubation". Discussion followed.</p>

<p>Formulary Action</p>	<p><i>Dr. Lutz made the motion to approve the utilization of Ketamine for Medicated Facilitated Intubation. This information will be sent through CIS and services who wish to participate may apply to do so. The Committee will review the data in 6 months. An agency's Medical Control Physician must QA 100% for the first 6 months. Dr. Clanton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.</i></p> <p>Dr. Reinhardt stated he will clean up the protocols for this pilot.</p> <p>Mr. Reeves from Dorchester County EMS requested that Toradol, a non-narcotic pain reliever, be added to the formulary as an alternative to narcotic drugs. Discussion followed.</p> <p><i>Dr. Lutz made a motion to add Toradol to the Formulary.</i></p> <p>Discussion followed.</p> <p><i>The motion was tabled at this time.</i></p> <p>The Committee asked for more time to review and discuss Toradol before voting. Mr. Reeves said he would do more research and email his findings to the Committee.</p>
<p>MEETING ADJOURNED</p>	