



WCEMSTCC
Continuous Quality Improvement Committee

March 23, 2017

The regular meeting of the CQI Committee was called to order at 16:35 on 23MAR2017 at Station 31 by Janice Lapsansky, QA Coordinator.

Present: Kris Joregensen, Ben Boyko, Dawn Cannizzaro, Sheila Hanlon, Jerry DeBruin, Erica Work, Janice Lapsansky

Agencies Absent: Dist 1, Dist 5, Dist 16, Dist 18, Dist 19, ALNW, Lynden FD

Excused Absences: Marv Wayne, Scott Farlow, Dan Ohms, Josh Morell

A. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved as distributed.

B. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the regular meetings of the CQI Committee held on 22SEP2016 and 22DEC2016 were approved.

C. Announcements

- [Versaterm](#) training progressing; various issues being addressed.
- Stroke QA Committee (PHSJMC) is developing a process that includes a modification to the way transporting units announce their arrival, e.g. "Code Stroke Arrival, [destination]". This may reduce times to critical procedures and interventions. Final procedure will be distributed to EMS via Council Operations Manager (Andrea).

D. Action Items

Summarize the progress and/or state the outcome(s) reached for each existing issue, list the member(s) responsible for any ongoing action item, and the timeline, as appropriate.

Action Item(s)	Who	When
ResQCPR implementation	All	ongoing
Elect Co-Chair (delayed due to lack of quorum)	All	29JUN2017
Review cases of importance to EMS from TIC, TQAC, and Stroke QA	All	ongoing
Review data and identify trends from online reporting tools	QA Coord	ongoing

- 8 reports of ResQCPR via the new online form. Suction difficulties reported.
- Stroke QA Committee requests that EMS states the BP verbally when patient is hypertensive, as this helps decision making re: tPA eligibility.

E. New Action Items

Summarize the discussion for each existing issue, state the outcome, assign any action item, and list the timeline, as appropriate.

Action Item(s)	Who	When
Update BLS protocols RE: amputations and need for pain control (ALS)	ED Comm	ASAP
Request ResQ pads and ResQ models for ResQCPR training	Janice	ASAP
ResQ Pump for Phillips 66 (Janice) and Intalco (Ben)?	Janice & Ben	ASAP
Notify agencies that Secretary and QA Coordinator positions will be voted on in December 2017 (in addition to Co-Chair ASAP)	Janice	Next mtg General Council
ME asks EMS to remind LE to contact ME's office for all patients expired on scene or expected deaths	All	now
Follow-up with local industry regarding Safety Plan (amputation)	Ben	ASAP

BLS protocol discussed regarding tourniquet use for amputations and ALS upgrade for pain control. Dispatch explained that detailed patient information is often difficult to obtain, but will press for 1st person information, or information from someone with the patient. Question forwarded to Education Committee.

Regarding reported suction issues with the ResQPump, the committee suggests bringing a towel to the patient's side (for diaphoresis), as well as 2 pads for additional height and proper pump placement. Also, remind rescuers to loosen their grip on the ResQPump and to avoid pulling up too hard.

F. Agenda for Next Meeting

Follow-up on action items.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 18:10 by Janice Lapsansky. The next general meeting tentatively set for 29June2017.

Minutes submitted by: Janice Lapsansky, QA Coordinator