

NH EMS Medical Control Board

MEETING MINUTES (Approved)

**DATE**

9:00AM

NH Fire Academy Classrooms 5 & 6

Quorum: 14 members/ Quorum is 8

**Members Present:** Jon Gray, Marc Grossman, Frank Hubbell, Patrick Lee, Joshua Morrison, Michelle Nathan, Robert Rix, Andrew Seefeld, James Suozzi, Brett Sweeney, Tom Trimarco, Jane Wieler,

**Members Absent:** John Freese, David Hirsch

**NH FST&EMS Staff:** Vicki Blanchard, Joanne Lahaie, Mike Mulhern, Jeff Phillips, Matt Robblee, Joey Scollan, Walt Trachim, Crystal Tuttle, Maria Varanka

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM by Chair Rix

**1) Welcome/Membership**

- a) A motion was made (Rix/Suozzi) to accept the re-appointment of Patrick Lee-Region I, Joshua Morrison-Region IV, Andrew Seefeld-Region IV, David Hirsch-Region V, and Frank Hubbell-Region V. All in favor. None Opposed.
- b) A motion was made (Rix/Suozzi) to accept the nomination for Robert Brown- Region V and William Plerhoples-Region II. All in favor. None opposed.

**2) Approval of the minutes**

- a) A motion was made (Rix/Nathan) to accept the September 21, 2023, minutes as presented. All in favor. None opposed.

**3) Division/Committee Reports**

**a) Division/ Bureau of EMS**

- i) Assistant Director Jeff Phillips reviewed open positions at the Division, including a PT compliance investigator, PT ambulance inspector, and program coordinator.
- ii) DHHS has secured an additional \$407,000 for an expansion of continuum, specialty services and critical care training programs.
- iii) One year is left of the fully funded EMR training program.
- iv) A Law Enforcement, Professional Firefighter and EMT Career Development funding program for members of these professions to take community college classes at no cost, as well as reimbursement for training programs completed at the Division.
- v) Canine Protocol hearing set for December 13<sup>th</sup>, the 21<sup>st</sup> of December the CB will be making a vote to send it to the Commissioner.
- vi) The ETA rules public hearing was held on October 23, 2023 and the Division received good feedback.

vii) The Division is tracking several LSR's that relate to Fire and EMS services, but the official language for the bill has not been released.

viii) January 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> the Division will be hosting a Mental Health Seminar.

ix) There are 38 open EMS investigations taking place.

4) **CB Report-** Nothing to report.

5) **TMRC Report- Tom Trimarco**

a) TMRC met in October, has made the prehospital subcommittee an ad hoc committee and discussed hospital designation changes to level 4 hospitals.

6) **Protocols- Jim Suozzi**

Pilot

- New Prerequisite Protocol

Hyperkalemia

- New Protocol

Exception

- No change

Extended Care

- No change

Routine Patient Care

- Updated bag valve mask respiratory rates

Haz Mat

- No change

Mass Multiple Casualty

- No change

Radiation Injuries

- No change

Childbirth

- Rewording placenta delivery section.
- There was a motion to move the sentence, "Placental delivery can take up to 30 minutes" into the PEARLS, motion passes.

Opioid Overdose

- Incorporated Leave-Behind Naloxone

Advanced Sepsis

- In the September 2023 MCB meeting the board approved the removal of lactate and addition of end tidal CO2, it was presented today cleaned-up.

#### High Flow Nasal Cannula

- New protocol

#### Sedation for Invasive Airway

- This protocol was approved in May 2022, but was sent back to have the dosing align with the RSI protocol, clean up some grammar and and adjusted pediatric fentanyl dose.

#### Musculoskeletal

- Added patella reduction at the Paramedic level.
- Hubble made a motion to move it to the AEMT level, Nathan 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion passed.

Changed Norepinephrine infusion rate in adults to Norepinephrine Infusion 1 –80 microgram/minute via pump. Starting dose 1 -15 microgram/minute, titrate 2 –5 microgram/minute every 5 minutes, as needed in the following:

- Bradycardia
- Post Resuscitation
- Sepsis
- Non-Traumatic Shock
- Cardiogenic Shock

#### Pain

- Changed the IV acetaminophen dose from “over 10 minutes” to “over approximately 10 minutes”.

7) A motion was made (Morrison/Grossman) to accept the protocols with presented changes. All in favor. None Opposed.

#### 8) Old Business

None to Report

#### 9) New Business

##### a) TXA as a treatment for angioedema-Dr. Grossman

i) A discussion was held about the use of TXA for angioedema, the protocol committee will discuss adding this.

b) CARES re-enrollment- A meeting will be held with a CARES representative and representatives from both the MCB and CB to discuss funding challenges etc.

c) A motion was made (Hubbell/Morrison) to accept the 2024 meeting schedule as presented. All in favor. None opposed.

#### 10) Topics Ad Libitum

None to report

#### 11) Adjournment

a) A motion was made (Hubbell/Trimarco) to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. None opposed.

i) Next Meeting: January 18, 2024- Classrooms 5&6