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MISSION STATEMENT

“As advisors to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, the Mission of the Emergency Medical Care Committee is to be an advocate for the community through the development of strategies for continuous improvement of the emergency medical services system.”

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE (EMCC)

Prehospital/Hospital Subcommittee Meeting

Mary Meadows-Pitt R.N., Chair/Jim Marugg, Vice-Chair

6255 Mission Gorge Road, San Diego, CA 92120

Thursday, April 10, 2014

Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE

Members

Broyles, R.N., Linda – County Paramedic Agency
Marugg, James – SD County Paramedic Association
Rosenberg, R.N., Linda – Emergency Nurses Association
Rice, Mike – S.D. County Ambulance Association
Wells, R.N., Christine – Base Hospital Nurse Coordinators
Workman, R.N., Debra – Paramedic Training Agency

County Staff

Ameng, R.N., Diane
Conte, R.N., Meredith

Recorder

Wolchko, Janet

Agency Representatives

Forman, R.N., Kelly – Air Methods
Graydon, R.N., Cheryl – Emergency Nurses Association
Hums, Jason – Southwestern Community College
Rod, Rick – SD City EMS Rural/Metro

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim Marugg, EMCC Prehospital/Hospital Vice-Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:09 am.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Linda Broyles, seconded by Christine Wells to approve the minutes from March 13, 2014. Motion carried.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

There were no public comments or petitions submitted.

IV. OFF-LOAD ISSUES

There was discussion on CAD alert pages and verifying the information that is sent out to its subscribers. It was suggested to confirm the information with the duty officer or dispatch agency. It was also noted that the same topic has been discussed during the Emergency Medical Oversight Committee (EMOC) meeting.

V. POLICIES FOR REVIEW – Diane Ameng & Meredith Conte

A. P-401, Scope of Practice of EMT-Paramedic in San Diego County

P-401 was brought back for further review before sending it to the Base Station Physicians Committee (BSPC). The following are changes and additions on the policy draft: III.B.

1. Added (#1)
2. Combine III.B.2&3
3. End statement at (CPAP). (#5)
4. Include the words (*but not limited*) after the statement lab values, (add *monitoring*) after blood sugar & carbon monoxide. (#9)
5. Monitor, adjust (add *and maintain*) IV solutions . . . (#15)
6. Intramuscular, intraosseous (add *intra nasal (IN).*) Deletion of furosemide and addition of Amiodarone and Ondansetron were made to list of medications. (#16)

B. P-402, Prehospital Determination of Death

P-402 was previously reviewed last November. Grammar was corrected and EMT was changed to prehospital personnel. P-406, Aeromedical and P-402 were combined under Special Considerations. The following changes/additions were made:

1. Add *Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST)*. (II.E.)
2. If a monitor is used, a patient (add *with a rhythm other than asystole*) requires a Base Hospital Physician order . . . (II.F.b.)
3. Wording was changed and categories were deleted. (II.G.1.a.)

C. P-403, Physician on Scene

Changes from the last subcommittee meeting were reviewed before sending P-403 to BSPC. Grammar corrections and formatting changes were made as well as the following changes:

1. The Paramedic may assist the physician on Scene (add *within their scope of practice under the direction of the Base Hospital Physician*). Delete EMT Basic level skills or ALS skills. (IV.C.3.)
2. The Paramedic/MICN shall (add *obtain proper identification and*) document of the physician on scene (add *involvement*) . . . A list of information required was added. (IV.D.)
3. Reword Physicians with an existing patient physician relationship statement and add conditions/examples. (IV.E.)
4. Conflict resolution statement added. (IV.F.)

A motion was made by Christine Wells, seconded by Linda Rosenberg to forward P401,

Scope of Practice of EMT-Paramedic in San Diego County, P403, Physician on Scene and P-402, Prehospital Determination of Death with corrections to BSPC.

VI. STAFF REPORT – Diane Ameng & Meredith Conte

A. Upcoming events:

1. *Sidewalk CPR Day* event is scheduled for June 5, 2014.
2. *Strike out Stroke Day* at the Padres event is scheduled for May 10, 2014.
3. The 9-1-1 Conference at the La Mesa Community Center is on April 25, 2014 at 8:00 am.
4. Scripps Trauma luau is in May.
5. District Conference is on the 16th.
6. EMSAAC conference is on May 28 and 29, 2014 at Loews in Coronado.

VII. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

Next EMCC Prehospital/Hospital Subcommittee meeting is on May 8, 2014.

Submitted by

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