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BASE STATION PHYSICIANS' COMMITTEE (BSPC) MEETING

Steven Weinstein, M.D., Chair
Sharp Spectrum Auditorium
8695 Spectrum Center Court, San Diego, CA 92123
February 19, 2019

Minutes

Members Present

Cardall, M.D., Taylor – Scripps La Jolla BHMD
Farah, M.D., Jenny – UCSD BHMD
Fischer, M.D., Andy – Tri-City BHMD
Kahn, M.D., Chris – City of SD Medical
Director/UCSD Agency
Klingensmith, Todd – SD Co. Paramedics
Association
Levine, M.D., Saul – Sharp Memorial BHMD
Marzec, M.D., Karl – Palomar BHMD
Schwartz, M.D., Brad – AMR/RCCP Director
Weinstein, M.D., Steven – Sharp Grossmont

County Staff

Ameng, R.N., Diane
Calzone, R.N., Lorraine
Koenig, M.D., Kristi – EMS Medical Director
Smith, R.N., Susan
Malloian, Joie – Recorder

In Attendance

Baird, Robert – USBP
Branning, Mark – San Diego Health Connect
Cheng, M.D., Tabitha – UCSD
Clark, R.N., Amy – Palomar Medical Center
Conover, William – Camp Pendleton Fire
Cote, R.N., Chara – Tri-City Medical Center
Covell, R.N., Brian – Mercy
Curnow, Robert – Mercy Air
deKlerk, R.N., Maude – RCCP
Derkrikorian, R.N., Matthew – Rady Children's
Dotson, R.N., Melody – UCSD BHNC
Duffy, R.N., Jenny – San Marcos Fire
Enloe, Robin – Sharp
Garrow, Jennifer – AHA/ASH
Graydon, R.N., Cheryl – Palomar Medical Ctr BHNC
Healy, R.N., Marla – Sharp Memorial
Holcomb, Art – Escondido Fire
Idman-Gervais, R.N., Dianne – Sharp Grossmont
Mahr, Kevin – North County Fire
Martin, Stephanie – Reach Air
Matsushita, Justin – Santee Fire
McFarland, Jeanne – Escondido
McGuire, Ruth – SDFD
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont BHNC
Molina, Jose – USBP
Murphy, R.N., Mary – Carlsbad Fire Department
Pearson, R.N., Danielle – Vista Fire
Rosenberg, R.N., Linda – Sharp Memorial
Seabloom, R.N., Lynne – oceanside Fire
Sloane, M.D., Christian – Mercy Air
Sullivan, R.N., Karen – Mercy BHNC
Wells, R.N., Christine – Scripps La Jolla

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 10:59 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the January 15, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

III. COUNTY REPORT (Kristi Koenig, MD)

A. Surveillance

- 1) Flu update – published 02/13/19
 - 4,423 cases, 30 deaths, 7 outbreaks
- 2) Jury Duty Letter – last year will provide as it is not needed for requesting jury duty deferral
- 3) Met triggers for enhanced surveillance on capacity plan
 - Moved from baseline level 5 to enhanced level 4 (due to respiratory complaints and ED bypass)
- 4) Ebola outbreak in DRC declared August 1, 2018
 - CDPH CAHAN Feb 15
 - WHO reports 829 confirmed and probably cases and 521 deaths
 - Remember travel history!
- 5) Measles outbreak – CDC confirmed > 100 cases in 10 states
 - WHO reporting substantial case increase with outbreaks in > 40 countries
<https://www.cdc.gov/measles/cases-outbreaks.html>
Measles 3I Tool: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/0sz9b7kp>

B. Policies and Protocols

- 1) Remain on track for ketamine implementation on July 1, 2019 – reminder to push SLOWLY IV
- 2) Reminder that IV APAP is approved by the State for analgesia, not for fever

C. Initiatives

- 1) EBM presentations posted on line at medical director page - today's talk is on prehospital sedation of the agitated patient
https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/emergency_medical_services/medical_director.html
- 2) Unified Optional Scope of Practice for CA within Qualified Transport Programs
 - CoSD applied and participated in Scope of Practice Committee meeting on 02/12/19 – Committee recommended approval of our application; ending official authorization from EMSA medical director
 - Six procedures included in unified optional scope (all or none)
 - Pediatric Intubation
 - RSI (rapid sequence induction)
 - Video laryngoscopy (indirect laryngoscopy)
 - Supraglottic airway devices
 - Ventilator initiation, maintenance and management
 - Intraosseous (IO) access for adult and pediatric patients
- 3) CAC report – need for real time 12-lead EKG transmission to receiving hospitals
- 4) Migrant Caravan update
 - Protect the health of the public, including families seeking asylum, by conducting health screening assessments in the setting of the San Diego Rapid Response Network shelter(s), and referring for outside medical care as appropriate.
 - Only a handful of 911 calls to the shelter
- 5) Human Trafficking - arranging for a future speaker
- 6) Strangulation CAHAN - Health Advisory 02/12/19
 - i. Strangulation differs from choking

- ii. Only 4 pounds of external pressure to occlude the jugular veins; only 5-11 pounds of pressure to occlude the carotid arteries; unconsciousness can occur within seconds and death within 3-5 minutes
 - iii. Victims with no or minimal external signs of trauma may have life-threatening internal injuries such as carotid or vertebral dissections or fractured hyoid bones
 - iv. Non-fatal strangulation is a risk factor for future homicide
 - v. Can see strokes in young people, however strangulation domestic violence affects all ages from kids to grandmothers
 - vi. https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/cahan/communications_documents/02-12-19.pdf
- 7) On Feb 14, CMS announced future pilot project for reimbursement for transport to alternate destinations.
- i. The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation's (Innovation Center) Emergency Triage, Treat, and Transport (ET3) Model is a voluntary, five-year payment model that will provide greater flexibility to ambulance care teams to address emergency health care needs of Medicare beneficiaries following a 911 call. Under the ET3 model, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will pay participating ambulance suppliers and providers to 1) transport an individual to a hospital emergency department (ED) or other destination covered under the regulations, 2) transport to an alternative destination (such as a primary care doctor's office or an urgent care clinic), or 3) provide treatment in place with a qualified health care practitioner, either on the scene or connected using telehealth.
 - ii. https://innovation.cms.gov/initiatives/et3/?utm_source=NAEMSP+ET3+2.14.19&utm_campaign=NAEMSP+ET3&utm_medium=email

IV. SAN DIEGO HEALTH CONNECT (Mark Branning)

SAFER and POLST update

V. SAN DIEGO HEALTHCARE DISASTER COUNCIL (Linda Rosenberg, RN)

No report

VI. CARDIAC ARREST AND CARES (Brad Schwartz, MD)

- History
- CATF Goals
- Improve Compression CPR
- Expand AED Program
- Establish, practice high performance CPR
- Enroll ALS transporting agencies in CARES
- Facilitate sharing of CARES data
- Dispatch CPR Aided Training/QI
- Next Steps
- 2018 Cardiac Arrest aggregate data – May 2019 (tentative date)

VII. STRANGULATION and CAHAN (Jennifer Farah, MD)

https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/cahan_san_diego/Alerts.html

VIII. SIDEWALK CPR

Group discussion on how to proceed moving forward.

IX. CHEMPACK (Lorraine Calzone, RN, PHS-PHPR)

Presentation was given.

X. POLICIES & TREATMENT PROTOCOLS (Susan Smith, EMS Coordinator)

Group discussion on formatting and content of protocols/policies:

- S104 – Treatment Protocols – Skills Set
- S-123 – Altered Neurologic Function (Non-Traumatic)
- S-134 – Treatment Protocol – Poisoning/Overdose
- S-414 – Do Not Resuscitate DNR/End of Life Options

XI. LUNCHTIME EVIDENCE BASED PRESENTATION – Amanda Wojahn, MD

Management of Agitated Patient:

https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/EMS/Medical_Director_Report/2-19-19%20Pre-Hospital%20Care%20of%20the%20Agitated%20Patient%20Dr.%20Amanda%20Wojahn.pdf

XII. ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

No items for future discussion.

XIII. NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2019.