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Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency Medical Control Committee

Tuesday, November 15, 2011 – 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency
City of Rocklin Sunset Center – Room 106
2650 Sunset Boulevard, Rocklin, CA 95677

MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER/ INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Russ Mann called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Everyone physically present at the meeting introduced themselves. John Poland introduced the online participants.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED *October 18, 2011*

Rob Martin motioned to approve the minutes as written. Clayton Thomas seconded. Motion passed.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Agenda was approved as written.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Sutter Roseville Medical Center is providing two (2) classes in November – EKG interpretation, and the Second Annual EMS-A-Palooza.

V. OLD BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

The Committee discussed increasing the STEMI Receiving Center transport catchment area from 30 to 45 minutes based on the recommendation of the STEMI QI Committee. All of the S-SV EMS designated STEMI Receiving Centers are supportive of increasing the catchment area and the system data collected over the past 18 months supports this change. The Committee agreed to change the catchment area from 30 to 45 minutes, and the STEMI policy will be updated for effective January 2012. Bob Royer motioned to approve this change. Clayton Thomas seconded. Motion passed.

VII. S-SV DRAFT POLICIES/PROTOCOLS

A. FOR FINAL REVIEW/APPROVAL

John Poland informed the Committee that Pulse Oximetry on all the protocols was moved under the BLS box and added '(if available)'.

1. ***P-3 – Apparent Life Threatening Event (ALTE) - \leq 2 Years Old*** – Recommended changes from the previous meeting were incorporated. There was no further discussion. Bob Royer motioned to approve. Clayton Thomas seconded. Motion passed.
2. ***P-12 – Respiratory Arrest*** – Recommended change from the previous meeting was incorporated – add 'Blood Glucose Check' after Ventilating adequately with BVM. The following change was also included: Naloxone was updated to include 'do not administer if advanced airway is in place & patient is being adequately ventilated'. Rob Martin motioned to approve. Bob Royer seconded. Motion passed. After the motion passed, a committee member voiced a concern regarding 'respiratory arrest caused by hypoglycemia'. Some discussion followed. This policy was tabled for the next meeting for further discussion.
3. ***P-16 – Respiratory Distress – Stridor*** – Recommended changes from the previous meeting were incorporated. Additional change was added under ALS-Cardiac monitor – included 'consider nebulized saline'. Rob Martin motioned to approve. Clayton Thomas seconded. Motion passed.
4. ***P-26 – Seizure (Pediatric)*** – Recommended changes since the last meeting are as follows: Added 'Consider IV/IO NS' under Results \leq 60 mg/dl?, and replaced 'seizure activity $>$ 5 minutes' with 'Status Epilepticus Definition'. Rob Martin motioned to approve. Clayton Thomas seconded. Motion passed.

B. FOR INITIAL REVIEW

1. ***P-20 – Shock*** – A committee member recommended to change '< 3 years of age' to ' \leq 2 years of age' for consistency. Another committee member disagreed stating that the current wording was clearer to interpret. No further changes were recommended. This will return next month.
2. ***P-22 – Overdose/Poisoning*** – Naloxone was updated to include 'do not administer if advanced airway is in place & patient is being adequately ventilated'. There was no further discussion. This will return next month.

3. ***P-24 – Altered Level of Consciousness*** – Diamond containing ‘adequate response: yes or no’ and ‘if no, consider additional doses’, was removed because the maximum dosage was already given, and at this point, base contact is required. It was requested that a definition be provided for ‘inadequate or depressed respirations’. There was no further discussion. This will return next month.
4. ***M-5 – Ingestions and Overdoses*** – The Regional Continuous Quality Improvement Committee recommends the use of charcoal as a base/modified base physician order only. This will return next month.
5. ***706 – Equipment and Supply Shortages*** – This new policy provides directions with what to do in case of shortages. There was no discussion. This will return next month.

VIII. MEDICAL DIRECTOR’S REPORT

None

IX. S-SV EMS AGENCY INFORMATION UPDATE

Public comment to EMSA for the new paramedic regulations is now closed.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No suggestions

XI. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is January 17, 2010, 9:30am-11:00am, at the City of Rocklin Sunset Center, Room 106, Rocklin, CA 95677.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.