

Kitsap County EMS and Trauma Care Council EMS Operational Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2008
Readiness Center
Bremerton, WA

Attendees:

Barb Lovato	KCEMS	Joe Repar	CKFR
Stan Plyler	BFD	Martin Bennett, MD	KCEMS
Rhonda Roberts	KCEMS	Steve Engle	NKFR
Kim Doyle	Olympic	Mike Wernet	SKFR
Terry Anderson	NRNW Fire	Joe Schweiger	KCEMS

Called to order by Chair Kim Doyle at 10:15 am.

I. Approval of October 15, 2008 Minutes

Stan made a motion to approve October's minutes as written, motion seconded by Joe R. Minutes were approved as written.

II. Old Business

A. Protocols Updates

Steve updated the group that the protocol committee has come up with 90 questions to pick from for the new BLS/ALS Protocol test. The Testing Committee will meet after EMS Operations meeting to pick the 40 questions for each test.

The group decided to have a speaker and then give the protocol test at the December Base Station Meeting.

B. Feedback Proposal

Rhonda presented the Feedback form with the changes suggested at last meeting. Joe Repar suggested medics /EMTs carry form on clipboard and give form to the doctor. The provider can then inform the doctor they would like to come back later to discuss patient. Mike suggested making a change on the form from where it says Medic to Provider to include either paramedic or EMT. He also suggested showing the form at Base Station Meeting. Everyone agreed that was a good idea.

C. 2008 Goals

Stan informed the group that Chief Duke asked this group to review the 2008 Fire Chief's Strategic Goals and see if we have met said goals. Stan asked Rhonda to bring copies to the next meeting.

III. New Business

A. Policy Review

There were three policies provided: Protocol Testing, IV Starts in Field and the Policy on making Policies. It was decided by the group to cover the Protocol Testing at this meeting. Kim discussed with the group that Rhonda noticed the only Protocol Testing Policy is for ALS Protocol Testing. It does not cover BLS Protocol Testing. Everyone discussed changes to the policy. Rhonda will type up changes and send out a draft with the minutes to review before the December meeting.

B. Chair Position

Kim announced she is stepping down as chair of this group. Steve Engle will now Chair. Joe Repar has agreed to become the Vice Chair. Stan also informed Steve and Joe one of them will need to attend the Chief's meeting to update them on items from this group.

C. OTEP

Joe Schweiger presented the Draft OTEP three-year plan. There were questions if the ALS providers have enough practicals. Joe discussed with the group that each scenario he sends out has an ALS section. But, to help the new OTEP plan will have labs for the ALS providers. There are four skill labs they will need to make in their three year certification period. Each quarter there will be a lab that will repeat each year to enable everyone the chance to do the labs.

Steve asked about PHTLS class. Joe informed the group he would be willing to offer this class once a year. Steve also suggested a paramedic skills day. Joe said he would look into offering one.

Terry stated he thought it looks good and didn't see any problems.

Steve made a motion to accept the OTEP plan and forward it onto the state. Terry seconded the motion. Motion passed.
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D. DVD Production

The group was informed the Chief's are interested in helping create the DVD for the skilled nursing facilities.

E. Staff Updates

- Program Manager

Barb informed the group that the state is now going to go to the National Registry test instead of a WA state test. It will cost \$70 and they can take the test up to 6 times.

- BLS Coordinator

Joe informed the group that he has finished the EMT-B class and EMT-IV Tech class. He will have another EMT-B course in January with Olympic College. He is also looking at offering another IV-Tech class soon.

IV. Good of the Order

1. Mike discussed with the group a call that one of his EMT's brought to his attention. The patient had a head injury and the EMT asked the police officer to put the individual into custody the officer refused. After the discussion Steve volunteered to check with the county prosecutors to get the laws in this issue for the police officers.

Meeting Adjourned: 12:00 pm

Next meeting will be scheduled for December 17, 2008 at 10:00 am.