

Kitsap County EMS and Trauma Care Council EMS Operational Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2010
Readiness Center
Bremerton, WA

Attendees:

Barb Lovato	KCEMS	Kim Doyle	Oly Amb
Rhonda Roberts	KCEMS	John Burch	PSNS
Joe Repar	CKFR	Stan Plyler	BFD
Lori Bisping	KCEMS	Martin Bennett	KCEMS
Thomas O'Donohue	PFD	Mike Wernet	SKFR
Butch Lundin	BIFD	Steve Engle	NKFR

Called to order by Chair Mike Wernet at 10:10 am.

I. Approval of December 16, 2009 Minutes

John made a motion to approve December's minutes with changes, motion seconded by Thomas. Minutes were approved with changes.

II. Old Business

A. Policy Review

There are no new policies, because we have reviewed all of the policies. This item will be removed from the agenda. Rhonda will review the website and verify that all of the new policies are on the site.

B. QI Plan

We are moving forward with the QI Plan. The January BLS QI meeting was cancelled. There is a NW Regional QI meeting on the same day that Lori will be attending.

Lori has requested to stop sending all charts. She will request certain carts during the year. Please send her all the cardiac arrests with strips and all Airlifts too.

Please send your department's shift schedules to Lori so she can evaluate her chart request and be sure to include calls from all shifts.

Lori will work with Dr. Bennett to review archived charts for CVAs and altered mental status.

Lori and Steve will attend the Resuscitation Academy in March.

C. Royal Taxi

There was a group consensus the taxi service is not needed at this time.

D. Base Station Requirements

When a provider does not meet the Base Station requirements what is the solution? KCEMS will not discipline providers. The departments will create their own policies with the suggested remediation progression that Dr. Bennett recommends.

III. New Business

A. Policies

This will be removed from the agenda.

B. Staff Updates

1. Training Coordinator

Everyone in the last EMT class passed the State exam. The EMT class with Olympic College has started. Olympic College is working with Pearson Vue to have National Registry testing onsite. There is currently a testing site in Port Angeles.

Last month there was a recertification question. Will providers be required to recertify with National Registry? Joe informed the group that only the initial certification needs to be through National Registry. When they recertify the providers can use the OTEP method for Washington State recertification only National Registry recertification at the discretion of the provider.

Joe announced there was good participation last year for the Base Station Labs. The next lab will be in February and it will be on 12-Leads and there will be a mega code station.

Joe requested from the agencies a current list of EMS evaluators.

2. Program Manager

Barb will be out of the office next week.

3. MPD

Dr. Bennett has created a to do list: Priorities are QI Program and revising protocols. He is working with Drs. Hoffman and Smith-Polling on a regional protocol. His timeline is to send the revised protocols to the Protocol Committee in July and implementation January 1, 2011. Dr. Bennett requests the agencies have one or two representatives (ALS and BLS) on the Protocol Committee.

Dr. Bennett will work in 2010 with educational issues, continuing working on Bainbridge Island's full incorporation to Kitsap County, and working with the BLS crews.

IV. Good of the Order

1. Barb is requesting recommendations for FY 2010/2011 Training Funds Request to the NW Regional EMS Council.
2. At the next meeting the group will discuss the revising of ITAC/MCI manual Chapter 9.
3. Mike will start the meeting at 10:00 am.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:45 pm

Next meeting will be scheduled for February 17, 2010 at 10:00 am.