

Kitsap County EMS and Trauma Care Council Medical Officers Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2006
Readiness Center
Bremerton, WA

ATTENDEES:

Chris Morrison	PFD	Elizabeth Gonzalez	KCEMS
Tim Gates	NKFR	Rachel Kaperick	KCEMS
Cliff Wilson	SKFR	John Burch	PSNS
Kim Doyle	Olympic	Stan Plyler	BFD

1. New Business

CEO's have asked for a meeting with MO to discuss what info should be on MIR left in ED per WAC 976-330. Elizabeth will put together a policy that complies with WAC 976 330 for review and discussion.
Chris will bring a sample of tablet form short report.
MO's to bring samples to CEO meeting.

Demographics – there have been some issues with pulling up patient info for billing purposes.

2. Old Business

Medical Officers expressed the need to have the Chief's Association define the scope of the Medical Officer's Division. Chief Shields to respond.

A. Non-Emergent transport

HMH is requesting that Olympic transport patients from hospital to home – could Cab vouchers be used for this type of transport request instead of an ambulance? These kinds of transports cause issues with payment from MediCare. It could be considered a resource misuse.

Could there be discharge planning through Kitsap Transit or other community resources like cab-u-lance or no stretcher vans instead of unneeded ambulance service for transport from hospital to home?

3. No Transports

Elizabeth stated that it would be no problem to allow access to medical records for the oversight of no transports, upgrades, and downgrades. ALS QA has been asked to review a random sample (20-30%) of regular calls. Step one is getting it started to be followed by making sure they get an extra QA person to help out if needed.

4. Staff

A. LifePak's

Contracts have been signed with Med-Tronic.

B. Med-Select

There is a meeting scheduled for 2/23 with the pharmacy board at the Bremerton Pharmacy.

Payment options were requested for restocking the unit. Weekly? Monthly? By credit card?

SKFR OP's chief may cut Med-Select from budget – not sure that it will benefit the department. Medicine waste data and statistics will be reviewed for final decision.

HMH is concerned about the floor space needed to house the unit – dimensions have been requested.

The Board of Pharmacy is very excited about this idea and finds it very innovative – if it works they will recommend it elsewhere. They will accept the narcotics dispensing as an addendum to the agreement already on file for HMH.

C. ALNW

ALNW has flight/landing zone/dispatch parameters listed on their website.

D. EMT/Paramedic – DOA

Issue is the part of the protocol that states asystole in 2 leads is needed to declare death. Dr. Eisenberg will review protocol.

E. Child Death

The criminal justice system needs EMS involvement in a task force for the federally mandated development of protocols and policies that deal with pediatric death. There is a large concern about the pre-hospital destruction of evidence and possible disruption of the crime scene. There is a benefit to the simultaneous dispatch of EMS and LE for pediatric “not breathing”

F. Medics in county

Please make copies of all articles relating to this issue.

Adjourn 12:15

Next Medical Officer meeting - March 6th at 11am.