MINUTES

RPAB Region 3

February 13, 2024

Physicians present: (Members in bold) Drs. **Amburgey**, **Augustine**, Finnegan, Guest, **Huebner**, **Krzmarzick, Marriott**, **Robinson**, **Springer**

Regular contributors/guests present: Balcom, Bradford, Capt. Bruggeman, Chief Buehler, Burdick, Davenport, Chief A. Follick, Chief C. Follick, Fourman, Garrett, Gerstner, Goffinett, Chief Guadagno, Hildebrand, Jackson, Johnson, Capt. Keenan, BC Lehrter, Lewis, McGrath, Miller, Minerd, Pearson, Pruszynski, Rihm, Senseman, Sheridan, Shanahan, Spitler, Tanner, Thornton, Ward, Webb

Call to order: 0833 at the WSU Dept. of Emergency Medicine Offices and via Webex

**Standing Orders:**

There are multiple drug availability and supply issues involving epi, racemic epi, and magnesium which are impacting the finalization of the standing orders. It is possible the standing orders will need to be published with consideration of JITSOs in follow up as issues are resolved.

The wastage protocol is being finalized.

Clarification will be needed for when to use magnesium for wide complex tachyarrhythmias. EMS providers will typically not be able to differentiate polymorphic VT from Torsades without a pre-arrhythmia EKG.

The AutoVent protocol was reviewed. No changes.

**Old Business:**

Trauma Systems and SORTS; There was discussion of mechanical CPR and penetrating trauma, the new TXA dosing of 2 g, and pre-hospital blood administration.

Drug Shortages; See list sent out by **Dr. Augustine** for updated and continued shortages.

DBEP; We are tracking D10 use.

Community Paramedicine and Research; PM Harris, EMT Pulliam, and Capt. Patterson will be completing Community Health Worker training. The committee is considering the CARES registry and EMS building for community paramedicine as new areas of focus.

Legislative; Heidi Jones is the new chair.

Dispatch Centers; The RDC is working toward implementation of PowerPhone.

LE and Transport of Persons Involuntarily Admitted; NTR

Pre-Hospital Blood Program: The group is considering a platform for meetings and asynchronous work. State data not been specific enough to be of assistance. They also developing a protocol for research and data acquisition.

**New Business:**

None

**Open Forum:**

Region 6; NTR

GMVEMSC; **AC Buehler;** AC Buehler described a new application process which would identify the chief, medical director and other key position holders. There is discussion of a dues increase that will be indexed, and may include associate memberships, corporate sponsors, etc. There is an ongoing review and restructuring of committees, communication methods including an updated website, and the possibility of an executive director by 2026.

MMRS/RMRS**; Mr. Gerstner;** There was a case of human H5NI Avian Flu in Mercer County. There was a new Ebola outbreak as well as an ongoing Marburg outbreak. There will be an upcoming CHEMPACK exercise and planning meetings. QTD went well. There will be a NATO conference in Dayton Memorial Day weekend requiring much preparation.

Dr. Springer discussed the ketamine dosing in STI. He is concerned the interval is too long. This will be addressed by the Standing Orders Committee.

Adjourn; 1022