

Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
 January 19, 2010

Chair: *Dr. Craig Cooley called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.*

Attendance:

Voting Membership; Drs.; Cooley (Chair), Myers (Vice Chair), Notebart **via tele-conference:** Lamothe

Non-Voting: W. Major, S. Wander, J. Adolf, B. Clemency, C. Crawford, E. Mager, C. Smith **Via tele-conference:** C. Peters, R. Hasson, W. Reisner

****PLEASE NOTE – ATTACHED IS A TABLE OF MOTIONS. THIS WILL BE USED TO REGISTER ALL MOTIONS MADE DURING MEETINGS. MOTIONS WILL NOT BE SHOWN IN THE REGULAR MINUTES. PLEASE REFER TO THIS NEW TABLE WHEN LOOKING FOR A SPECIFIC MOTION.****

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES		MOTION 01-10
CORRESPONDENCE	The issues concerning Starflight and the waiver request has not yet gone through Dr. Blum, so he has requested that it not be acted on at this time.	
SEMASC/SEMSCO DRS. COOLEY & MYERS	See attached notes	
WREMAC CHAIR REPORT		
NURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR: VACANT	W. Major reported that the Committee will be meeting every other month (even months) at ECMC.	
PREHOSPITAL COMMITTEE G. GILL	Working on building up the membership. No meetings currently scheduled, but looking for topics to work on. If the WREMAC has anything, please pass along. E.g. Protocols	
PROGRAM AGENCY REPORTS A. BIG LAKES B. SOUTHWESTERN C. WYOMING-ERIE	A. CLI course was held in December, with 10 students completing. Been working a lot on ePCR issues. Many agencies are beginning or have already gone live with ePCRs. Planning & scheduling educational classes that will be run through the year. B. A CIU was held in December with 13 students completing. Currently working on an EMS Leadership Academy, currently 22 people enrolled in that. EMS Conference will be held on April 9 & 10, 2010 C. CLI Prescreening: 1/30 in Erie County and 2/27 in Wyoming County. The	

	<p>CLI scheduled for April 16, 17 & 24 at ECC South. CIU scheduled for March 20th at ECMC A very successful PEPP course was run, and another is scheduled for 2/20 at Reserve VFC. Additionally, the WEREMSC has agreed to sponsor two more additional. The first one is scheduled for 3/27 in Wyoming County. The WEREMSC has also agreed to sponsor an ITLS course prior to 4/1/10. No date or location has been selected yet.</p>	
DISASTER COMMITTEE J. TEUSCHER	N/R	
ALS PROTOCOL S.LAKOMY / J.MYERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ It is time to update the protocols. Current set is largely outdated. To help in the process, a comment survey has been developed, with a link to it from the WREMAC website. This is for ANYONE – doctors, ED personnel, providers, etc. This will be open for the next 4 weeks. Then this will be closed down and the comments will be reviewed. This will hopefully allow the street providers to have some input. ❖ Hoping to have the changes and updated Protocols ready to go to the SEMAC for their October meeting. ❖ Looking for volunteers to help out on the Protocol Committee. Please contact Dr. Myers if interested. ❖ Formatting – Dr. Cooley reported on the current format for the protocols, and the idea that it has become cumbersome to update. The protocols across the state and even the country, are utilizing a different format. This sample format has previously been distributed to the WREMAC committee via e-mail for your review. Hoping to update the protocols on a yearly basis. ❖ Reviewed the Solu Cortef and Adreneline Deficiency issue. For now this will be tabled and given to the Protocol Committee. 	
QUALITY IMPROVEMENT R. MARTIN/M.KENYON/C.COOLEY	N/R	
EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE C.COOLEY/M.KENYON	N/R	
RESEARCH / EDUCATION J. MYERS	Three Base Station courses were run in 2009. Next one expected for July 2010.	
OPERATING PROCEDURES / GUIDELINES (“BYLAWS”) C. COOLEY	No current issues. Will be removed from the agenda.	
POLICIES & PROCEDURES J. MYERS	No current issues. Will be removed from the agenda	
THERAPEUTIC HYPOTHERMIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Through the grant, the following agencies will all be participating in 	

J. MYERS	<p>the study, and will receive coolers, thermometers and training information: Twin City, Town Tonawanda, Upper Mountain Fire Department, East Amherst, Fire Department, COVA, Medina Fire Department Mercy Ground EMS, LeRoy VAC, Cattaragus Area Ambulance, Allegheny Fire Department, Trans Am and Orchard Park.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Clemency and Dr. Myers will work on distributing the coolers during the month of February. Status sheets will also be distributed and should be filled out and turned in along with the PCR's. ▪ Encourage agencies that may be interested in this but did not get in on the grant, to please contact either Dr. Myers or Cooley, and they can help them get established so that they can participate as well. 	
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Delay Study – Dr. Clemency (please see attached) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Question / discussion regarding when there is only a single hospital in the city, unlike Buffalo where there are several. Diversion / delay is something seen mainly in our region, and not as much elsewhere. 2. ePCR Subcommittee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Dr. Clemency was appointed Chair of this committee. Among other points, the biggest issue with these currently is the sending and receiving of the PCR's. <p>Would like to have a master list of the hospital ePCR fax lines.</p>	
NEW BUSINESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ePCR approval requests for WCA Services and Mercy Flight 2. Blood Glucometry applications for: Scranton VFC, Snyder VFC and Delevan VFC. All information is complete. 3. Woodlawn VFC – Level of Care upgrade from Basic to Intermediate. All information is complete, and they have 4 members practicing at an Intermediate level. 4. Next WREMAC meeting date – March 16, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Training Academy. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MOTION 02-10 2. MOTION 03-10 3. MOTION 04-10
ISSUES FROM THE FLOOR		
ADJOURNMENT	Dr. Notebart @ 10:54 a.m.	MOTION 05-10

**NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2010 AT 10:00 A.M.
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