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Medical Direction and Practice Board
May 15, 2013
9:30 am
Minutes

<u>Medical Directors Present</u> – Kendall, Goth, Chagrasulis, Sholl, Randolph, Zimmerman, Pieh, Busko <u>Medical Directors Absent</u> – None <u>MEMS Staff Present</u> –Leo, Sheets, Powers, Kinney <u>Guests</u> – Rick Petrie, Dennis Russell, Shawn Evans, Marc Minkler, Joanne Lebrun, Chris Pare, Kerry Sousa Pomelow, Ginny Brockway, Ben Murphy, R. Lucus Gire, John Kooistra, John Brady, Norm Dinerman, Pete Tilney		
Introduction	Introductions were made.	
May Minutes		MOTION: To approve May minutes (Pieh second by Goth) Unanimous
ME EMS Update	<u>Kinney</u>– LD 708 “An Act to Reduce Emergency Rescue Costs”, was killed by the sponsor. Over the summer, Jay (and perhaps Matt & Mike Schmitz) will meet with sponsor. Budget – no word yet, but anticipate to hear shortly. The Bike Ride will correspond with the EMS Memorial unveiling and with the EMS Awards on May 18, 2013 tentatively to begin at 9:30. Riders this year from Maine are Jay, Tim Pieh, Don Sheets, Tim Beals and Matt Sholl. The EMS newspaper insert will be in all major newspapers on May 18th for EMS Week. Petrie reported that the insert was increased from 12 pages to 16 due to receiving additional advertisements. All the articles were written by Nancy McGinnis, who is very familiar with the EMS system. EMS week is May 19th – 25th. If anyone has or knows of any EMS activities planned for EMS week, please let Maine EMS know and we can promote it through our web site and Facebook pages.	

	Will be releasing RFP for new protocols apps in June.	
Community Para-medicine	<u>Petrie</u> , Steering committee met last week and a notice of approval will be sent to all interested Ambulance Services by the middle of June. At this time, there are only two slots left for the Community Paramedicine pilot project.	
New Devices	None	
Special Circumstances Protocol	A Special Circumstances Protocol request from Southern Maine was reviewed. After much discussion it was decided to approve with the following changes: 1. The Advanced EMT can only give the patient's own meds. 2. Paramedics only to administer SoluMedrol IM/IV. 3. Requires that patient must be transported by the Ambulance Service.	MOTION: To approve the Special Circumstances Protocol with the requested changes. (Pieh seconded by Randolph.) Unanimous
Agitated Patient Pilot Project	Dr. Randolph and Dr. Busko - currently have nothing new to report.	
New England Protocol	No report	
Protocol Review Discussion	M. Scholl presented a list of questions that arose from the off line final review of the protocols by the regional medical directors. Most of the questions were for clarification and housekeeping issues. The following changes were noted : 1. To add to the adult and pediatric airway "the use of capnography for prolonged use of a Bag Value Mask". 2. Pressure bags needed for all IO's used for fluid replacement. 3. Add IN Fentanyl as an administration route. 4. Under the Glasgow Coma Scale, remove the definition but leave the chart. 5. Allow the use of Fentanyl for all pain except head injury without medical control. 6. Contact medical control for repeat doses of Epi or initial Epi IV (with a drip pump only).	
Protocol Time-line	Matt will send to regional medical directors a second draft by May 21st. All regional medical directors to send any comments to Matt by May 24th. Send draft to Education committee and make available to the public by May 31st. Send any questions or comments on the protocols, to the regional office. All regional medical directors to have a draft of their assigned talking points and white papers available for the June 19th meeting. Looking at the week of July 20th to build the Podcasts.	

Drug Shortages	No Report	
Old Business		
MEMS Education	Nothing new to discuss	
MEMS Operations	Nothing new to discuss	
MEMS QI	Meeting today to review data regarding ASA study, review and vet ASA letter to services and continue discussion re: PIFT QI	
IFT Sub-committee	Reviewed the IFT program and will need a couple of regional medical directors to volunteer to review the program. T. Pieh and W. Randolph volunteered to assist with this review.	

Next Meetings – June 19, 2013
IFT – 8:30 – 9:30
MDPB – 9:30 – 12:30
QI – 1:00 – 3:00