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EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES PROGRAM

PREHOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

MINUTES

April 7, 2014

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Minutes from March OK.

1. NEW BUSINESS

A. Sepsis – Role of EMS – “sepsis alert”? AMR did training for crews. Could push fluids. Tests in field? False positives are huge. Fluid resuscitation, good history, maybe larger bore IV fluids. Alert ER to accurate temperature. In history – need recent surgeries, recent episode of upper respiratory infection, age of 60 and above. Comorbidities – diabetes, respiratory and urologic, immune compromised. Good for medics to let ER know ASAP if suspect sepsis. Request for Marc to share “flow sheet” for sepsis. Radio call-ins – longer to give more information. Discuss next month with screening tools from both hospitals. May lead to changes in Life Threats policy. Documents will be shared electronically. Anthony Daddario will work on this.

B.

C.

2. OLD BUSINESS

A. STEMI – All good news. Very good STEMI system in Santa Cruz County even though aren't showing improvements in mortality.

B. Trauma – Kent met with potential director of trauma for Dominican.

C. Deployment – Will deploy three zone test starting on Wednesday.

D. Acuity Scale – acuity scale “flipped” as of 4/1/2014.

E. ROSC Destination – Stays the same as currently.

May 13th at 10am at the County Board of Supervisors for EMS celebration!

Marc – BHC – Giang met with Marc, Medical Society and County MH – all be aware of how it's going – a little bit better, but pediatric is still huge, BHC refused a MRSA patient who was MRSA positive a few months ago.

DH radio is breaking.

DH ER will have module to preserve evidence – working with SO.

Hartford consensus – AMR trained Santa Cruz PD and SO tactical teams.

FDA approval of naloxone by Rx only for public. Possible for EMTs to administer naloxone?

Next meeting is May 5th at Aptos/La Selva