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EMERGENCY MEDICAL
SERVICES PROGRAM

PREHOSPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC)

MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2015

Celia Barry, Marc Yellin, Marissa McLean, David Ghilarducci, Michael Baulch, Lisa Angell, Brad Cramer, Sterling Lewis, Cortney McPhee, Eric Mauerman

Minutes from March OK.

1. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Ethics Policy - Consider "Code of Conduct" format or mission and values.
- B. Determination of Death – some considerations – 3rd trimester pregnancy, lightning patients, overdose, pediatric, hypothermia, safety considerations for EMS. For policy/protocol group to consider. Some PEAs are capable of coming back. Maybe this is a Core Principles issue too.

2. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Trauma Revisions – Training – scheduled for April. Live as of 5/1/2015.
- B. Policy Revisions Subcommittee – Dave will send out email to see when the group can get together. Suggested putting every protocol on 2 year revision cycle. Membership – "open" or "assigned"?
- C. Data Reports – EMS Performance issues – patient outcome is the highest level of data however hard to obtain. Response times don't really matter but are easy to measure, big 6 are: Chest pain, STEMI, Stroke, Trauma, Intubation Success, Cardiac Arrest. Many charts have "pain" and "other" as primary impression. Brad asked for the list of people who more successfully chose primary impression as something other than "pain" or "other". Lisa suggested asking medics which policy they followed. Have policies routed for consideration/comment.

D. Tactical Medicine Interest Group – The tactical medicine program is now public through testimony at Santa Cruz City Council. Marc suggested that EMS agency should have leadership position on this. Do we need a protocol? Should make clear that host agency responsible for this? Brad and Marc and Michael Baulch and Lisa...and Brad/Scott's document. Get the group together and include Mike DiTano and/or Jason Hajduk...UCSC June 15 – 18th active shooter drill.

E. Ebola – It hasn't gone away!

3. ROUNDTABLE

Stanford still busy.

Gang brawl at Boardwalk. Netcom called DH and said that DH was red. DH wasn't red.

DH and WCH census has settled down.

Next month – some patients WCH acute stroke – language barrier, need something for medics on scene – translation issue. Need ability to find out aspirin or onset of symptoms.

Kirk is resigning as of 4/24. Took a position in Vancouver, Canada. Pilot program for de-escalation program for medics – similar to SO, 8 to 16 hours of education.

EMS Week celebration Tuesday, May 19th at the BOS.

Next meeting is MAY 4, 2015, Aptos/La Selva Fire