



MEDICAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL, FIRE AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2019

Committee Meeting Date and Location: Tuesday, April 16, 2019, at the ODPS Shipley Building, Conference Room 1102, 1970 W. Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43223

Committee Members Present: Geoffrey Dutton, Chair; Mark Resanovich, Vice-Chair, Dr. Thomas Charlton; Dr. Eric Cortez, Martin Fuller, Dr. Deanna Dahl-Grove, Daniel Heuchert, Jason Waltmire, Tami Wires, Allen Young, Dr. Paul Zeeb

Committee Members Absent: Cynthia Annen, Rob Martin, Ryan Sullivan

DPS and EMS Staff Members Present: Dr. Carol Cunningham, State Medical Director; Executive Director Mel House; Deputy Director Rob Wagoner; Ellen Owens, Chief, Grants/Certifications; James Burke, Chief, Education/Fire Testing; Kris Miller, EMS Liaison; Jayn Mayton, EMS Administrative Assistant

Public Present: Dr. Sharon E. Mace and Dr. James W. Sauto, Jr., Cleveland Clinic

Welcome and Introduction

The meeting began at 9:34 a.m. Mr. Dutton welcomed everyone and introduced our guests, Dr. James W. Sauto, EMS Medical Director at the Cleveland Clinic, and Dr. Sharon Mace, Center for Emergency Medicine, Cleveland Clinic.

James D. Burke was introduced. He is the new EMS Chief in the Education/Fire Testing section. He was most recently with the Attorney General's Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy (OPOTA) as Director of Advanced Training.

Review and Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting were approved.

ACTION: Motion was made to approve the Medical Oversight Committee meeting minutes from December 11, 2018 with no changes. Dr. Charlton – First. Dr. Cortez – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Old Business

Attendance

Upon review of the attendance for 2018, Mr. Dutton considered the participation of the members of this Committee to be excellent overall with quorum at every meeting and no meetings cancelled. Mr. Dutton expressed his appreciation to the members and to the EMS staff for being engaged and productive last year.

Ms. Annen has asked to be removed from the Committee due to scheduling conflicts. Mr. Dutton will present her request to the EMFTS Board on April 17, 2019 to be effective immediately.

MOC meeting time/day

Due to an overlap of this Committee with the EMS for Children Committee, which some of our members attend, our April meeting is the first meeting with an 11:00 a.m. end time, thus shortening the meeting by one half an hour. The members agreed to make it a permanent change of time and, if there is not enough time during the full meeting to address everything, the Committee can create work groups to handle the remaining tasks.

Scope of practice

Medical direction in hospitals: review results of survey (tabled)

Strategic plan update – workgroup reports

Pain management for EMS, medical director, scope of practice, and evidence-based research work groups: No workgroup reports were made for these workgroups. The common question for each workgroup was the number of members who have volunteered for each group in order to ensure adequate membership to handle the assigned tasks.

Action Item: Mr. Dutton will check on the status of the memberships of these workgroups.

Ohio EMS medical director conference update

Dr. Zeeb identified the need to schedule the Ohio Department of Transportation auditorium at the earliest opportunity in order to save it for the target date of November 13th. The earliest date to request and secure a reservation is six months in advance, or May 13th. In the meantime, Mr. Dutton offered to contact other venues for comparisons. It was suggested he contact the Police Academy on Hague Road, the Ohio State Highway Patrol Training Academy at the Fairgrounds, and the Riffe Center downtown. Dr. Cunningham and the Committee members explored possible speakers for the conference. Dr. Cunningham has contacted some nationally notable speakers who are interested in participating in the conference. It was agreed that all members should come to the June meeting prepared to discuss the agenda of the conference in greater detail.

Action Item: Ms. Mayton to submit a request to schedule the 2019 Ohio EMS medical directors' conference in ODOT auditorium, preferably for November 13, 2019. Scheduling is

open six months before an event for which May 13th is the first date when a request for November 13th will be accepted.

Action Item: Mr. Dutton will explore and compare other suitable venues for the conference including the Columbus Police Academy, the Ohio Highway Patrol Training Academy, and the Riffe Center.

Action Item: Committee members to be prepared to discuss agenda in detail in the June 18th meeting.

Ohio Resuscitation Academy update

Dr. Zeeb presented an update on the Ohio Resuscitation Academy. The next course will be held in Columbus on May 16th and 17th. Athens and Akron will follow as host cities. The course that was scheduled in Toledo has been postponed until 2020. There will be a one-day Academy course in Seattle in May. Dr. Charlton provided feedback from the Academy conducted in Cincinnati which he reported as overwhelmingly positive. There is definitely interest in having more trainings throughout the state.

Behavioral health update

Mental health among EMS and Firefighters: Mr. Resanovich updated the Committee on the progress of the project with the Ohio Fire Alliance's Health and Safety Committee. The Fire Alliance sponsored a survey sent out by the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS to all EMS and Firefighter personnel, to determine the status of mental health among EMS and Firefighters in our communities. The survey was answered by over 7,600 respondents, which is the largest collection of responses in the nation. The initial information is very revealing. The committee is working with the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) and The Ohio State University, using the results of the survey for research and epidemiological studies. They are hoping to complete their report on the results of the survey and have it published as many places as possible by mid-July. The ultimate goal is that, regardless of the position of the individuals in the programs--whether they are chiefs, volunteers or any level in between, they will all use the same system throughout the entire state of Ohio.

New Business

Ultrasound-guided peripheral IV access research study request

Presentations by Dr. Sauto and Dr. Mace: Dr. Sauto and Dr. Mace introduced a proposal for a protocol for pre-hospital peripheral IV placement using ultrasound guidance which was developed at the Cleveland Clinic. The rules regarding this process in the state of Ohio are currently in the midst of being changed legislatively. Due to the lengthy process required to change rules impacting the scope of practice, the doctors are requesting that the Committee recommend a waiver from the EMFTS Board so that they may implement the protocol more immediately. Dr. Mace pointed out that a waiver allowing the ultrasound-guided protocol to be implemented sooner will decrease the use of more invasive methods, such as intraosseous infusion (IO), hence improving the quality of patient care.

Discussion ensued to clarify the features of this proposal which differentiate it from those reviewed by the Board last year upon which the Board relied to approve a change in the scope of

practice rules. Dr. Mace noted the fact that the trial being carried out into the emergency department environment is unique to their proposal.

The Committee requested Dr. Mace and Dr. Sauto to create a packet, complete with an IRB approval letter, to be reviewed by the Committee as early as the June 18th meeting.

This timeframe presents a window of opportunity for Dr. Carter, as well, to submit his proposal at the same time.

Action Item: Mr. Dutton to inform Dr. Carter that the ultrasound-guided peripheral IV access research study proposal will again be discussed at the June 18th meeting, and that the Committee will also consider his proposal if he is able to submit it at that time.

Action Item: Ms. Mayton to email to Committee members the handout “Lawriter OAC- 4765-6-; Research study impacting scope of practice.”

Open Forum

Deputy Director Wagoner announced that the Ohio DEMS is hosting a national rural conference in Columbus, Ohio in 2020. It is tentatively being scheduled for the end of April or beginning of May. Topics and speakers are being solicited at this stage. More information will be forthcoming when available.

Adjourn

ACTION: Motion to adjourn at 11:02 a.m. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Cortez – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Next meeting:

June 18, 2019
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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