

Medical Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2009

Members Present

Chief Barry Cousino
David Miramontes, M.D.
Cheryl Herr

Representing

Springfield Twp. FD
Toledo Fire/Mercy Health Partners
St. Luke's Hospital/ Nurse Manager's Assoc.

Staff

David Lindstrom, M.D.
Gary Orlow
Dennis Cole
Brent Parquette
Pat Moomey

Medical Director LCEMS
EMS Manager
LCES Director
EMS QA/QI
Communications Manager

Others

Acting Captain Ken Kantura
Kristie Gallagher, R.N.
Julia Harsh, R.N.
Denise Abbott, R.N.

Toledo Fire EMS Bureau
Toledo Hospital ER
Toledo Hospital ER
St. Charles Hospital EC

Absent

Mary Beth Crawford, M.D.
Kenneth Chelucci, M.D.
Lucas Delatore, M.D.
Pat Mattevi, M.D.
Kris Brickman, M.D.
Domian Kandah, M.D.
Rod Standiford (primary)
Matt Homik (alternate)

St. Luke's Hospital
St. Anne Mercy Hospital
Flower Hospital
Bay Park Hospital
UTMC Hospital
St. Charles Hospital
Paramedic Committee
Paramedic Committee

Call to Order

Chief Cousino called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Minute Approval

The minutes from the June 1, 2009 meeting were made available for review. Minutes were approved as written.

CE

Brent reported on CE. The medics were introduced to the billing component started on 7/13/09. Some problems were encountered with the report component. A meeting was held with MED3000 to discuss. In September CE, paramedics were certified in ACLS. October's CE will discuss H1N1. The program will be from the Ohio Department of Public Safety Program web site.

Old Business

ePCR - Gary stated receiving information regarding the data transfer of face sheets is going well except with UTMC. Staff is currently addressing this issue.

New Business

Brent reported that the ICE Protocol has changed with new meds being added. All paramedics have been trained in the protocol update. Revision has taken place in a lot of other EMS departments throughout the state.

H1N1 – Dr. Lindstrom reported that staff attended a session on the H1N1 virus on Friday, October 2nd, held at Owens. The medics will be trained to administer the injection or nasal spray. Nasal spray is indicated for patients age 2 through 49. The nasal spray should come in sometime this week. Ages 50 and above will have to wait for the injectable. EMS priority one is to take care of the safety service personnel first and second priority is the documentation component. Dr. Lindstrom indicated that the paramedic's history is every bit as important as the injection. Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the H1N1 virus.

Dr. Lindstrom would like to post the information on the Lucas County EMS web site; 1) protocol, 2) procedure and 3) check sheet. This may take a few days to be loaded on the web site.

Barry stated that the chiefs have not been given the information regarding the vaccine. He asked how the schools will administer the vaccine to students. There is a meeting on Friday, Oct. 9th at 10:00 a.m. at St. Luke's to discuss.

Gary reported that EMS has just received Medicare approval which should bring an influx of money somewhere in the amount of \$200,000 range soon. There have been a few rough spots encountered with the billing; documentation of data. Brent is trying to address this in CE.

The Vehicle Committee is being formed to discuss specs. The committee would like to move forward this year and place an order for one vehicle if the money becomes available from billing. Gary had heard that the prices of the vehicles are going to increase in 2010.

Dr. Miramontes discussed the 12-lead transmission problem.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Medical Committee meeting will be Monday, December 7th at 8:30 a.m. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 a.m.