

**PC EMS COUNCIL – GO TO MEETING
PROTOCOL REVIEW COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 30, 2020 – 8:00 AM**

Attendance:

Membership Attendance Roster is on File.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 08:01 am by Sam Yount. Attendance to the Go-To-Meeting was verified by roll call. Meeting minutes from July 29, 2020 were voted on and accepted as written.

Unfinished Business:

A. Wellfound Behavioral Health – Dr. Waffle

Dr. Waffle gave an update on the Wellfound Behavioral Health. There are still a couple of items left to finalize. We do need to establish a hard start date with Wellfound, so they are not surprised by any calls or transports. This has yet to be put into the protocols as we are waiting for the final decision. Once approved, we will add the protocol to the app as well. Norma mentioned that suggestions from this committee were taken back to Wellfound. They changed Blood Pressure perimeters. We had Systolic: 100-190 they would like Systolic to be 100-170. Note, under section 2-o, it is listed as "Patient QT >500, if ECG available by EMS." They do understand that is not always going to be available to us. This will be moved forward.

B. Rialto Fire-Wheel of Survival – Dr. Campbell

Bill Sawaya from PCFD 16 was going to get back with Dr. Campbell about a more formal protocol. We haven't seen one yet. There is no change from what we have seen previously. Sam Yount will reach out to Bill and see if they are still wanting to move forward with this and let Norma know so she will be able to add it to the next meeting agenda if needed.

C. Ketamine – Dr. Barnhart/Dr. Waffle

Dr. Waffle gave the update. Ketamine has become a controversial topic nationally because of certain negative outcomes of patients although we are not sure if the outcomes were because of underlying disease. The state of WA became concerned about excited delirium and how we treat it and they felt we needed to look at Ketamine. We have checked the information on Ketamine in our protocols and found the information correct. There are parts that do need improvement. We are lacking in a post administration monitoring. Dr. Waffle suggests that we improve the indication section and add a new section for post administration monitoring then it can be brought to this committee for approval. Dr. Friedrich mentioned that he sent an edited version of the agitated patient protocol to Norma and Dr. Waffle two (2) or three (3) weeks ago. The protocol was re-written with those changes. Dr. Waffle asked him to send the latest draft and he will review it. Ketamine will remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

D. Blood Products – Dr. Gates

Dr. Gates reviewed the updated protocol for the Blood Products.

- Cascade Blood Services has been super helpful in getting this moved forward.

- The protocol was changed throughout the document to list both low titer whole O blood and plasma (as LTOWB/Plasma) as the process is the same for both.
- They have had two (2) successful blood drives and collected 48 units of blood.
- CPFR stepped up as the designated lead agency. As other agencies step forward, they can be added. Tacoma FD is really interested as well.
- PCEMS will maintain copies of the logs, temperature records, packing slip and tracking numbers (s) for no less than two (2) years.
- "PCEMS blood units" was changed to "response vehicles".
- Daily checks will be done by 0900 to make sure blood remains in the temperature range.
- The brand name of the blood cooler was removed in case another manufacturer is created.
- This will be used only as an emergency, not as a transfusion service.
- "stand alone ED" was changed to "Off campus ED"
- (e.g. Cascade,...) was added after transfusion service in section 4D.
- Discussion was held about the statement "and if approved by MDP the use of voluntary auto transfusions to facilitate realism during transfusion training." This statement was deleted.
- A training program outlined has been created. We will need the training program so the State can review it with the package. Brent Martinson and Keith Wright will put that together and get it to the EMS office.
- Cascade has the app that is mentioned under section 6.
- No one had any objections to Sections one (1) through six (6) after above changes are made.

Kaylee Garrett asked if each participating agency would have to purchase a blood warmer or would it come with the unit? Also, the donor system that is started, is there a way that other agencies can help support it? Brent Martinson responded that it would be preferable that each agency have a blood warmer and filter tubing however the battalion chief will have one. The blood donor program will continue, and he will make sure to notify all agencies when they do a blood drive.

This document will be submitted with the Ketamine and all the other changes to the protocol as a package. We can have the training program can be reviewed by the ALS providers from the Training and Development committee as well as run it by Cascade. We can do that from the PC EMS end. Nor-epinephrine is in the package as well. There is no tentative date for submission.

Dr. Waffle made a motion to approve the Blood Products protocol written by Dr. Gates with the modifications made today and with the intent of having this move forward to the state once the training program has been fully vetted. Dr. Gates seconded the motion. The protocol was approved with no objections.

New Business: None

Unscheduled Business: None

Announcements: Next Meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2020.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned @9:09 AM.

Scribe: Donna Vitale