East Regional Time Sensitive Emergency (TSE) Committee
Location: Eastern Idaho Public Health
Date: July 20, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Chair: Brian O’Byrne

Next meeting:
September 21, 2017

I. Welcome
- Meeting brought to order at 1005.
- Roll taken Facilities: Steele Memorial, Lost Rivers Medical Center, Teton Valley Hospital, Challis Regional Health Clinic, Madison Memorial, EIRMC
- Agencies: Life Flight Network, Idaho Falls Fire Department, Air Methods, Shelley/Firth QRU

II. PI Committee
- STEMI case presentation, DE identified.
- EMS 12 lead capabilities discussed.
  - At EIRMC the field EKG is printed at the HUC desk and immediately handed to the ED physician.
  - Madison Fire does a 12 lead and transmits after it has been read by the Madison medic
  - Challis EMS has 3 lead but is a BLS unit and they don’t transmit. 12 lead is done at the clinic or air medical.
- PI committee, change in trauma committee members. Can we develop a process where every agency and facility participates in case presentations?
- PI committee needs more members. We could do a break away after the bimonthly TSE meeting while all committee members are present.
- Each agency and facility should be identifying one case they are interested in presenting.

III. Council update:
- Sepsis is being recognized as a time sensitive emergency, and how it will be incorporated is yet to be seen.
- Trauma triage guidelines tweaked. Physician discretion defined further.
- Making sure all facilities that want to be designated have the opportunity.

- Pediatric subcommittee. Maybe pediatrics will be worked into the committees that we have.
How are we doing as compared to the state? 34 applications for designation to date in the state. 21 have been approved for designation. Current list is on the website. 5 surveys for different specialties being done this summer.

- Region 3 created a water safety ppt that is available to use.
- TSE committees are in the implementation phase with more of a focus on education.
- Emmett did 4 hour pediatric simulation training.
- Presentation at the hospital association? We work closely with IHA. Tony Lawson came to the last council meeting and provided valuable feedback.

Field EKG
- Is there progress to standardize the process in transmitting EKG from the field?
- This is hard to mandate due to different products that are being utilized in the field at this time. To standardize would be a huge financial obligation and the committee doesn’t have the budget to fund this.
- There may be opportunities to make this available to EMS rural agencies in need of this equipment. There are federal grants available for BLS 12 lead capability.
- There are still many challenges in standardizing the transmission. Cell coverage is one of the challenges.
- Montana did get standardized EKG transmission. Because the state paid for it they dictated and standardized the process. Christian will try to get someone from Montana to present how their EKG system is doing ..

IV. Outreach Committee
- Target off month for outreach to rural areas.

V. Eclipse
- Nicole Stoorer from EIRMC Emergency Department.
- 65 nurses to pull from, nurses need to plan for their family’s needs and bring supplies to stay at the hospital 72 hours.
- 8-9 nurses per shift. 5 nurses that can help if there is a need to go mobile. ED holds 24 beds and has plans to add 24 more.
- Coordination with Mountain View Ready Care will be open to take patients with extended hours.
- Madison: double staffed. They can use day surgery area as a fast track.
- Challis: Clinic will be open Sat and Sun 1000-1800 with double staff. 2 ambulances with surplus supplies, ice and water. They are not planning on cell coverage. Prepared jump bags for portable supplies. Steele Memorial to take extra traffic. St. Luke’s helicopter will be in Stanley.
- Arco: Clinic in Mackay will be open Saturday and Sunday. Triple EMS staff on call through Tues. Helicopter in Arco. They will have 3 ED providers and they have tripled supplies in facility.
- Dave Hanniman regional command will be at the Bonneville Courthouse.
- Air Idaho two additional aircraft Douglas, 17-22 at helipad at EIRMC.
- Life Flight 2 helicopters.

VI. Adjourn
• Meeting adjourned at 1133. Next meeting September 21, 2017.