

**EMS COUNCIL  
MEETING**

CARY  
2/25/20

**Present:** A-TEC: Jeff Voigt; Roger Scott; CARY: Andy Veath; Beth Taylor; CRYSTAL LAKE: Heidi Olsen;  
**FFL: Absent;** FOX LAKE: Zina Opper; FOX RIVER GROVE: Sean Hurt; **MARENGO: Absent**  
**MCHENRY: Absent;** NUNDA: Raquel Schomer; SPRING GROVE: Michelle Krysiak;  
WONDER LAKE: Scott Mullis; WOODSTOCK: Jeff Lesniak HUNTLEY: Brian Harders  
FOXCOMM: Lyndsay Stroberg; SEECOM: Don Burr; GOOD.SHEPHERD: Beth Keane  
NM: Rebecca Hartman  
NM-EMS: Dr. Pacini, Cindy Amore, Cindy Tabert, Greg Fuchs, Brandy Weirich, Diane Klier  
GUEST SPEAKER: Scott LeFevre, Cambridge Sensors USA

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Call to Order	Meeting was called to order at 9:05am by Jeff Lesniak.			
Guest Speaker Scott LeFevre	Scott LeFevre from Cambridge Sensors USA demonstrated the Glucometers which are new to the system. He elaborated that the shelf life of the strips is 18months. Once the cap is removed, however, the strips need to be used within 90 days. He went on to explain how to disinfect the glucometers after each patient use. Greg Fuchs mentioned he will be handing out the Glucometers at the end of the meeting.			
Additions to Agenda	None stated.			
Approval of Minutes	Minutes from 11/26/19 meeting approved by all.			
Staff Reports- Cindy Amore	Cindy Amore discussed the items listed on her EMS Council Report (see attached report).			
NREMT Exam	Cindy reminded everyone that starting in April, 2020, Illinois will begin to use the NREMT exam; the state exam will no longer be available as of 3/1/20. Fall 2019 EMT students have done very well with the National Exam.			
IDPH Database Transition	During the month of June, IDPH will be rolling out their database system transition. Cindy encouraged all May/June renewals to complete the online process (Child Support/Felony statement and fees) as soon as EMS providers receive renewal notices.			
Controlled Substance/Drug Diversion Audit	Due to the controlled substance/drug division audit, EMS recommendations moving forward are to auto upload interface of Image Trend EMS records to the hospital patient care record EPIC. Also an update (Patrick Sennett) to the Image			

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<p>EPIC-Patient Medical Record System</p> <p>Pyxis</p> <p>Water Replenishment</p> <p>Cindy Tabert report</p> <p>Greg Fuchs report King Vision forms</p> <p>Brandy Weirich report</p> <p>CPR Instructor Course</p>	<p>Trend documentation to include a field for controlled substance disposal/waste, and ongoing periodic QI of controlled substance use/documentation.</p> <p>Implementation of the EPIC system (patient medical record) will occur Saturday morning, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>. From midnight till approximately 1:30am, there will be no pyxis access. If there is a critical need for a medication, the central pharmacy will be the sole point of distribution.</p> <p>Regarding the pyxis, Cindy again reiterated the importance of pressing the take button and put in the amount you are taking. If you take 3 and press 1, the inventory is not correct and the Pharmacy or Distribution Departments do not know there is a need to replace the missing inventory.</p> <p>Cindy added that water will be replenished in the fridge more often in the EMS Supply room.</p> <p>Cindy stated she had Narcan to hand out for BLS rigs (1 per rig).</p> <p>Cindy handed out the 2019 Annual Report and briefly discussed the information. She added it appears the system is keeping scene times down. Narcan and Ketamine information was included in the report.</p> <p>Greg reported that Quarterly King Vision Validation is underway. He reminded everyone to turn in the forms to Cindy Tabert at the end of the year. Also, if anyone is out on medical leave and then comes back, quarterly intubation form needs to be filled out and sent to Cindy. If anyone missed a date, please contact Greg Fuchs or Cindy Tabert.</p> <p>Discussion ensued regarding patients who may have experienced a sexual assault. Cindy Amore stated she would check with a legal resource to see if it is risky (liability-wise) to put a service defined question on Image Trend, to query possible sexual assault patients.</p> <p>Class finishing up Cardiac. Email went out regarding April 24 orientation for potential Paramedic students for 2020/21 class. Brandy asked departments to be diligent on who they are sending to test on May 4th.</p> <p>Email was sent out with the next CPR Instructor Course to be held April 25<sup>th</sup>. Spaces are filling up rapidly. Contact the office if interested asap.</p>	<p>Check w/legal re: addition of question on IT</p>	<p>Cindy Amore</p>	<p><b>OPEN</b></p>

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Dr. Pacini	Dr. Pacini reported the ED's are very busy; he added it's that time of the year. He thanked everyone for being patient.			
Beth Keane-Gd.Shepherd	Beth stated the ED is very busy there also. Same pyxis problem is occurring at Good Shepherd. Send email to her when planning to drop-off expired meds.			
FFL-AIR METHODS	Beth also stated the importance of putting the patient's initials and DOB on the 12 Leads being sent in to avoid errors.  Cindy stated Tammy sent out an email to all regarding changes FFL in relation to the McHenry base. FFL (McHenry) will transition over to Air Methods in April. There will be a 60 day turnaround; IDPH needs to approve the change and a contract with NM needs to be completed. Jeff Lesniak, who works part-time for FFL, stated the individuals currently at FFL McHenry will continue. It should be a smooth transition. Cindy Amore mentioned if McHenry is out on a call, the backup helicopter will be REACT. Cindy added that she will invite Lydia from Air Methods to come to the June meeting. Air Methods will not have a ground transport program in McHenry.			
Rebecca Hartman-Chest Pain Coordinator	Rebecca handed out the Cardiac Alert Dashboard and briefly discussed a concern regarding cancellations of Cardiac Alerts. There were 75% of cancellations for Sept.-Dec. 2019 at McHenry and 31.3% cancellations for Huntley. She added that a change is being made; Stemi's have to be confirmed by an ED Physician before activating the Cardiac Alert Team. It appears that EKG's are being done in the rigs which may be altering the 12 Lead leading to Stemi inaccuracies.  Rebecca stated Sarah Strzlka, Quality Improvement Coordinator could not attend, however, she will forward her stroke dashboard at a later date.			
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.			
Next Meeting	Next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 2, 9AM at Marengo.			