

MAC Minutes – January 11, 2005

Attendance: Bruce Kenagy – EMS, Pam Dodson – EMS, Joe Barger – EMS, Ruth Burk – EMS, Lori Altabet – JMMC, Brian Lowry – Pinole Fire, Sam Bradley – AMR, Gary Tamkin – AMR, Dale Poppert – Kaiser WC, Greg Sekera – Pinole Fire, Leslie Jewell – MDMC, Scott Wallace – CALSTAR, Mark Figueira – El Cerrito Fire, Chris Jaksa – Kaiser WC, Andy Swartzell – SRVF, Dub Fields – AMR, Judy Smith – EMS, Dave Borghelli – AMR, Paul Freitas – JMMC, Nancy Daniel – MOF

1) **MAC/QI meeting reorganization** – transitioning from operations/medical format to stronger focus on medical discussion in MAC meetings. QI meetings will focus more on QI/operational issues. MAC meetings may be held quarterly – QI meetings held every other month. Schedule will be developed later this year.

2) **Trauma Intubations** – proposing modifications to intubation procedure to encourage BLS airway for trauma patients and decreasing emphasis on intubation. Other issues to address include training, use of pulse oximetry and better definition of intubation attempt and number of attempts to make prior to moving to an option other than intubation. Need identified to create basic airway management education. Dr. Barger will revise the draft procedure for next meeting.

3) **Bougie for intubation** – proposal to begin using bougie for intubations. Continue discussion of use and procedure for use – consider training and logistics for storage. Discussion about structure of intubation procedure and should it be abbreviated. Discussion about revision of prehospital care manual, to include separating some sections into different documents.

4) **Trauma triage changes** – EMS and John Muir working on policy changes for trauma, to include some changes to trauma triage process. Looking at removing CRAMS from process and create a set of triage guidelines for pediatric patients – higher overtriage rate of pediatric patients to CHO. Changes to the triage process to include moving some of the decision making from the base to the field.

5) **Adult Interosseous** – SRVF has made a request to be able to use IO on adult patients meeting specific criteria. Andy Swartzell to develop a proposal for use with San Ramon Fire – other agencies may adopt program if they choose to do so.

6) **Pain Management Protocol** – review of proposed treatment guideline for non-traumatic pain management. Discussion of upper limit of MS – 10mg or 20mg. Dr. Barger will develop training for implementation.

7) **Hyperkalemia/Dialysis Patients** – discussion of need for an education process related to treating hyperkalemia/dialysis patients. May present information at annual EMS conference.

8) **Stroke Treatment/video** – DVD available of stroke presentation and summary by Dr. Barger of issues in Contra Costa County. DVD is about 1 hour in length and will be distributed to field agencies – also available through the EMS Agency. Looking at developing some type of stroke assessment for use by field personnel to raise awareness of stroke or potential stroke patients.

9) **12-Lead Update** – Dr. Barger is completing discussions with local hospitals – hope to implement 12-lead program county-wide by end of year. Look at need to transmit data from field to receiving hospitals.

10) **PCM Corrections** – MS dose corrected in minor trauma treatment guideline – should have been 20mg.

11) **Newsletter** – EMS Agency is developing a newsletter – send “atta-boys” or other submissions to Ruth Burk at the EMS Agency – looking at publishing every other month.

12) **KCL treatment (CCT-P)** – looking at procedure modification for CCT-P units regarding transport of patients with higher concentrations of KCL infusion.

13) **Other** – Dr. Barger did a review of use of Lasix/Versed following changes in base contact criteria. Initial results show about 10% increase in administration, which does not appear to be significant based on total patient numbers.

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Date: 1/11/05

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