

Medical Advisory Committee – November 8, 2005

Attendance: Bruce Kenagy-EMS, Judy Smith-EMS, Ruth Burk-EMS, Sam Bradley-AMR, Dub Fields-AMR, Lori Altabet-JMMC, Chris Jaksa-KWC, Jody Munoz-AMR, Shara Ray-CFD, Randy Lyman-REACH, Scott Wallace-CALSTAR, Joe Barger-EMS, Anthony Simi-SRVF, Heather Richter-AMR, Darrel Lee-MOF, Nancy Daniel-MOF, Dale Poppert-KWC, Pam Dodson-EMS

1. Policy 13 – Trauma Patient Triage – JMMC is completing training – implementation scheduled for December 1, 2005.

Policy 33D – Air Transport – Field Operations – modified terminology to indicate that paramedic with patient care responsibility makes the decision about the use of a helicopter and advises the IC about whether the helicopter is needed or not. Scheduled for implementation December 1, 2005.

2. Field Treatment Guidelines –

- **T1/T2 Consolidation** – scheduled for implementation December 1, 2005. Combined two treatment guidelines and standardized the dosage of morphine for trauma patients. Change “Avoid use with patients...” to “Use with caution...”.

- **C2 – First Responder Defibrillation** – adding “patient 1 year of age or older” to criteria

- **P2 – Neonatal resuscitation** – issue as presented

- **P3 – Cardiac Arrest** – put Epi doses on separate lines in Asystole guideline and issue as presented

- **N3 – Stroke** – add “Consider fluid bolus” order to #6

3. Policy 16 – Transfer of Care in the Field – delete “prior to transfer of care” in #II.C. – to be issued December 1, 2005.

4. Policy 18 – First Responder/EMT AED – issue as presented – December 1, 2005

5. Further PCM Changes – New AHA Guidelines Pending – looking at some proposed AHA changes and corrections/clarifications to current Notes sections of Prehospital Care Manual. No specific changes planned at this point.

6. Policy Updates – policies still under review

- **Policy 2 – Paramedic Accreditation** – proposed changes to policy to clarify process for accreditation and reaccreditation

- **Policy 10 – Declining Emergency Medical Care and/or Transport** – moving information regarding documentation to policy 27. Modified definition of a patient.

- **Policy 27 – Patient Care Record** – questions about definition of a patient and how to deal with multiple persons incidents with no injuries – what level of documentation is needed for these patients and how are they defined?

7. Further Policy Changes -

- **Policies 2/7/8 – Accreditation, Paramedic Evaluators/Student Preceptors** – task force reviewing these policies as part of review of accreditation policies, looking at criteria for student preceptors and county evaluators. Recommendations to come back to subsequent meeting.

- **Policy 14 – Transfer of Trauma Patients** – policy being reviewed by EMS due to changes in terminology for defining trauma patients and processes for moving patients from non-trauma centers to trauma centers. Possibility of moving patients with paramedic transport, rather than waiting for CCT-RN.

- **Policy 17 – EMT/Paramedic or Non-Transport ALS Programs** – task force is looking at process for approving field personnel. Possible changes to accreditation process and developing a standardized process for provisional assignments between all provider agencies.

8. 12-lead ECG Update – process delayed until April 1, 2006.

9. CPAP Update (Moraga-Orinda and San Ramon) – programs ready and waiting for approval to start

10. EMS Data Set Update – final version ready around end of year

11. Other – fire agencies are looking at new PCR data systems
- parking changes at John Muir – contact Lori Altabet with questions or issues

Next Meeting – January 11, 2006