

Calhoun County Medical Control Authority

April 16, 2018

Kellogg Community College, EMS Conference Room
Battle Creek, MI

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

- I. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 9:01 by Dorothy Malcolm, Chair.

Board Members Present

Name	Represents	Position	Meeting Date: 4-16-2018			Attendance History
			Present	Excused	Absent	
Clark Imus	KCC	Sec/Treasurer	X			3/3
Mark Burke	Marshall FFA	At-Large Exe.	X			13/13
Rich Feole	911 Dispatch	Board Member	X			8/9
Betsey McDavid	Albion Comm. Amb	Board Member	X			1/1
Steve Frisbie	LifeCare Amb.	Board Member	X			13/13
Dorothy Malcolm	BBC ER Director	Chair	X			13/13
Martin Erskine	Urban MFR	Board Member	X			1/1
Kathy Cowles	BBC	Board Member	X			6/6
Kim Campbell	Oaklawn Hospital	Vice Chair	X			12/13
Daryl Cummins	Rural MFR	Board Member	X			1/2
Tyler Vaughn	CCMCA	Medical Director	X			4/4
Michael Chapman	CCMCA	Assoc Med		X		3/4
Theresa Dawson	Oaklawn Hospital	Board Member	X			3/3

Others Present-Karl Rock-ACA;

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda- None. Noted Daryl Cummins as the new Rural Representative for MFR.

Introductions

Approval of Minutes- Motion to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried.
(Erskine/Imus)

Public Forum: None

II. Committee/Officer Reports:

A. Medical Director Report/PSRO Committee –

Dr. Vaughn reported the PSRO meetings are going well. The committee continues to meet the third Friday of the month. They are working on protocols, case reviews; established QI data driven decision making and setting up an agenda for the upcoming year. They continue to look at Albuterol utilization, c-pap usage on pulmonary edema among other data. Also to include trauma scenes versus hospital usage. Dr. Vaughn reported that there is one paramedic working on rewriting some of our protocols. Looking forward to seeing the information. The PSRO Committee is committed to reporting firm data in the future.

Dr. Vaughn reported on several situations and the committee took disciplinary action on an individual provider. The agency had developed a remediation plan to remediate and the committee supported the plan. There have been several other issues but no discipline. The reporting structure seems to really help with data collection. Committee is recommending holding on implementation of protocols to coincide with the new drug bag roll out. Protocol seems very thorough and will effectively help with drug swaps especially during shortages. The preliminary date for roll out on the drug bags which should be the date the protocol is effective is June 1, 2018. There will be some training required once the protocol is approved. Discussion re: ketamine, D10 vs D50; epinephrine; NARCAN; replenishing MFR agencies; fees for restocking; where are new drug bags?. All the new equipment is at LifeCare and are almost ready to go. Note-EMS replenish MFR and hospitals replenish EMS-not permitted by law. Dr. Vaughn will get clarification on process. Protocol to cover replenishment?

Dr. Vaughn reported on RTN proposed some by law changes at the beginning of April regarding the new protocols. Dr. Vaughn voted no on behalf of our MCA based on the protocols as written, the lack of provider representation on the committee and timing. Dr. Vaughn posed the question-what do we want to see as representation on the regional PSRO Committee? EMS folks, trauma coordinators, ER physicians. We need several different types of Level 3 hospital representation.

Dr. Vaughn attended the Fire Chiefs meeting and they made a request of representation on the EMS Council. Work in progress.

Dorothy Malcolm commented on the busyness of the MCA right now and how we can clarify who is where, reporting structures, decision makers. Discussion re: prioritization, who serves where, a visual structure, recognition of the different "hat" folks may be wearing. Clark Imus, Dr. Vaughn and Dorothy Malcolm to meet before our next MCA meeting to work on this. They will send it out to this group and there will be discussion at the next meeting. State provided handbook to be emailed out as well.

Questions re: chest pain protocol as it pertains to the ages listed in the protocol and statistics supporting the protocol. Discussion followed.

Motion to accept the PSRO Committee report. Motion carries. (Imus/Burke)

- B. **Finance Committee (Clark Imus)** – Clark provided the written financial report and reviewed the information. On hand-70,025.24, 90,553.57 with Hilliard Lyons, 55,000.00 out on loan, total 214,105.12. Clark acknowledged the lateness of the statements for the annual dues. He also requested the call information in order to send out the dues statements for each organization. Questions re: where the budgeted funds originate. 75% comes from hospitals, 25% comes from providers. Funds were requested due to delay in the original WKKF Grant. It was decided to use the left over funding to provide funds to help with large expenditures interest free.

Motion approve Financial Report. Motion carries. (Erskine/ Cummins)

Clark made a motion to add an additional line item to provide funds for training purposes and remediation situations. Amount not to exceed \$5000.00. Discussion followed. (Imus/ Cummins)

Clark reported on the upcoming purchase of a protocol app for Calhoun County protocols. There are multiple options including a TextCom option which is free.

Discussion followed with more information to follow. Clark will email information when he gets it.

- C. **Regional MCA Network**-Dr. Vaughn reported that the group is focused on the drug bag protocol release and creating a critical care transport education program specific to Michigan. Meetings to help develop this program are the 4th Tuesday at AirCare or WMed at 1p.m. The state is also meeting and it seems that our region is ahead of the game. The goal is to have a state sponsored critical care program and bring all current paramedics to a common level. Questions re: costs, current medics, hospital personnel and training of both groups; oversight during the transition period. Discussion followed. More to follow.

Clark shared request from the Regional Medical Control regarding the use of distance learning. The region has some funding they will share with us for education use. KCC has tried this delivery in the past and been less than successful.

Discussion followed re: online learning vs distance learning; scholarships; effectiveness.

Old Business:

- A. **Alternate Destination Protocol**- Clark reported that this protocol has been rejected by the State of Michigan. Some of the feedback included a lack of oversight and too many unanswered questions.

New Business:

- A. **Diversion Log**-Nothing new to report. Discussion re: definition of diversion in Calhoun County; who gets the info and how. Rich Feole will send notification list to Jackie for distribution for updates, if needed.
- B. **MCA Training Event Report**-Dr. Vaughn reported work on planning an actual event that would provide training to integrate ongoing changes and expose medic students to different types of scenarios. Create some centralized county training. Tyler shared the creation of an MCA Facebook page to help with sharing

of information/events/education opportunities. Questions re: incentives for volunteers. More to follow.

- C. **Testing Funding for EMT and MFR**-Clark began a conversation regarding financial help for EMT's, MFR' and Medic's in taking the initial state exam to become certified/licensed. Background-many of our students report that they delay the test due to the cost-just coming out of school-and are not as successful as they might be if they took it right away. Discussion re: KCC Foundation has been less than supportive; Region 5 may have some funds; MCA funds? Commitment to draft a letter to the KCC Foundation from the MCA to encourage funding from the Faculty/Staff Grant process. Letter to include info re: community need, student need.

- D. **Tuition Reduction**-Clark requested assistance from the MCA in regards to the tuition reduction. AS EMS is now part of Public Safety Education versus an Allied Health program and tuition rates should follow. Discussion followed.

- E. **I-Gel**-Dr. Vaughn spoke about i-Gel training for the MFR level. He then made a motion that each participating agency submit training and continuing education plans prior to implementation and then to follow the procedure and submit the form for each use of i-Gel. Discussion re: training requirements, validation of training events, continuing ed. Motion carries. (Vaughn/Erskine)

What went well What Went Well and What Needs to Improve – Good discussion!

Next Board Meeting scheduled for October 15, 2018 9 am, at Kellogg Community College, Lane Thomas Building, EMS Conference Room

Announcements-None

VI. Adjournment-Meeting adjourned at 10:58 am. by Dorothy Malcolm.