

**Tidewater Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc.**  
**Stroke Performance Improvement Committee**  
**October 8, 2015 at 16:00**  
**MINUTES**

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Member's Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Alternate's Name</u>	<u>Present</u>
Eastern Shore	Mary Fitchett			
Chesapeake	Thom Schwalenberg	X	Forest Winslow	X
Franklin	Vince Holt			
Norfolk	Greg DeYoung		Dan Norville	
Portsmouth	Jeff Myer		Amy Ward	
Suffolk -Chair	John Hoffer		Ray Willett	x
Virginia Beach	Jerry Sourbeer	X		
Isle of Wight	Amanda Pulley			
Isle of Wight (Volunteer)	Katrina Geoff			
Southampton	Annie Griffin			
Shore Memorial	Bonnie Enoch			
Portsmouth Naval	Jason Dougherty			
Chesapeake Regional	Sherwood Moore			
Bon Secours	Monica Reed		Travis Mitchell	X
Depaul				
Harborview				
OBICI				
Maryview	Terrica Norman			
Sentara Systems	Shannon Fergerson		Jocelyn Danci	
Norfolk General	John Agola			
Sentara Leigh	Amy Smith Peard	X		
Sentara Princess Anne	Tracy Flood			
Bell Harbor	Alicia Petrukas			
Beach General	Chris Roberts		Mark Day	
Commercial EMS (MTI)	Don Knox			
Dispatch	Liz Beatty			
OMD	Joel Micheal (Chair)	X		
Fed Fire/Navy EMS	Anthony Sickell			
Nightingale	Denise Baylous		Skip Hall	
CHKD Transport Team	Lisa Hawkins			
TEMS Staff	Jay Porter	X		
VA OEMS	Wayne Berry			
<b>Guests</b>				
<b>Jurisdiction / Agency</b>	<b>Guest's Name</b>		<b>Guest's Name</b>	

*Minutes prepared by Tonya Cook*

- Welcome and Introductions were made and the adoption of the August 13<sup>th</sup> minutes were approved as written with the two changes that were mentioned. John Agola and Kira Lanier were present and asked for any input they have - Nothing from them.
- Alex Grunsfield has been in contact with Dr. Michael about upcoming talks and presentations that he will be involved with and his interest in coming to the future PI meetings. Welcome to come and be part of the TEMS Stroke PI group and would be happy for his attendance and input in the future.
- Case Presentation – presented by Isle of Wight Amanda Pulley provided the group with the details of 74 YO F stroke call that was received. Group listened attentively to the presentation and discussion about the evolution of the patient presentation to the crew. Reviewed the need to have a good patient assessment on potential stroke patients and other reasons for patient passing out in the field. Ischemic stroke versus hemorrhagic stroke etc.
- One of the primary goals from the stroke patients that are treated is to obtain outcome data and being able to provide the feedback to the initial EMS crew that saw the patient and sharing of data surrounding the cases that would improve patient care in the future.
- Volunteer to bring a stroke case study to the next scheduled meeting – Amy Smith-Peard

- ASLS Stroke training- Jay Porter meet with EVMS and discussed the need to move forward with the program especially in the region so that the agency and provider can be trained to improve the identification and treatment of stroke patients.
- STEMI accelerator kick off meeting for the next steps of the STEMI care and with the grant received from Duke University that will help move STEMI care ahead and on the regions policy and procedures in the future.
- Discussion surrounding the TEMS Stroke Triage Plan and the wording that states the patient would be taken to a primary stroke receiving center versus the wording the patient would be preferentially transported to a primary stroke receiving center. The group would like to place the wording preferentially transported to a primary stroke receiving center back into the plan and send it back to the Virginia Office of EMS, which is what we actually are doing even though the Stroke Plan states otherwise.
- Jeff Myer addressed the group about benchmarking and obtaining the needed data for PI review.
- New Business
  - Mission Lifeline Accelerator:  
The first STEMI Accelerator meeting on November 27<sup>th</sup> at the Marriott on 725 Woodlake Drive in Chesapeake; to sign in for credit visit the CME site. National speakers will be coming into this event and four local case studies will be balancing against the current STEMI plan to see what works well and what doesn't. EMS providers will be given 4 BLS / 4 ALS topic credit hours, please remind folks to bring their certification card that has the bar code to be scanned. Lunch will also be provided.
- Co-Chair selection:  
Congratulatory, Amy Ward on being selected the new Stroke PI Co-Chair.
- Dates to remember located at [www.tidewaterems.org](http://www.tidewaterems.org)

**The next meeting of the Stroke Triage Performance Improvement Committee will be:**

**December 10, 2015 @ 1600**

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