

Tidewater EMS Council
Trauma Triage Performance Improvement Committee
February 11, 2016 17:00

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

- Welcome/Introductions /Adoption of December 2015 EMS PI Committee Minutes:
Minutes approved as written.
- Case involving tourniquets in the field issued by police personnel should not be removed.
 - i. Norfolk Fire-Rescue reported cases where Norfolk PD applied tourniquets prior to the arrival of Norfolk Fire-Rescue units, multiple cases where it may have helped and several cases where it would not have made a difference in the treatment of the patients. .EMS providers usually would not remove unless there was a gross mis-application of the tourniquet.
- Dr. Collins and Dr. Ann Kunze were originally scheduled to discuss pediatric trauma in the Hampton roads area were not able to make it. Virginia Beach trauma center and CHKD met to speak about how they wanted to handle the care of the pediatric patient. If the patient has been already seen at a Trauma Center then the patient should be able to be transferred directly to CHKD for the continuum of trauma care of the patient. The Trauma Oversight committee is seeking direction from the state and encouraging CHKD to apply for their designation. This will be moved to the next agenda for the next Trauma Triage Performance Improvement committee meeting. Understanding is that by July 2016 that CHKD will have at least night trauma coverage and the call schedules will be in place to address the Trauma Care of pediatric trauma patients.
- 3' Needle Decompression in the field, there are concerns from the trauma physicians about the size of the needles that are being utilized for Needle decompression procedures currently. All of the literature shows that the 2.5 inch needles currently stocked in the IV boxes are not long enough to

perform the procedure and there is an ongoing thought process of what and how to obtain the proper length needles in place in the pre-hospital setting.

- Porter will add VBEMS 4 cases to the April agenda. Will send the cases to Virginia Beach EMS for them to pull and review the cases for the April meeting.
- Forrest Winslow presented to the group what information that Lisa Bono provided to the department; he had delved deeper into the data and investigated more about the patients and the data provided explaining and giving more about the initial data set. Presentation revolved around the over and under triage rates that was identified along with the obtained vitals versus what was reported by the State in their original Trauma report given to the regional councils. Addressed many of the problems that were identified with explanation and plan to address all that were identified. Trauma Facts sheet that was sent to the CFD supervisors.

Dates to remember located at www.tidewaterems.org

**The next meeting of the EMS Performance Improvement Committee will be April 9, 2015 @ 1630
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