

Tidewater EMS Council
Trauma Triage Performance Improvement Committee
April 14, 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 Fitchett			
Chesapeake	Thom Schwalenberg		Forest Winslow	x
Franklin	Vince Holt			
Norfolk	Greg DeYoung	x		
Portsmouth	Jeff Myer	x	Amy Ward	x
Suffolk -Chair	Ray Willett			
Virginia Beach	Jason Sourbeer			
Isle of Wight	Amanda Pulley			
Isle of Wight (Volunteer)	Katrina Geoff			
Southampton	Annie Griffin			
Shore Memorial	Bonnie Enoch			
Portsmouth Naval	Frank DoSantos			
Chesapeake Regional	Chris Robertson			
Bon Secours	Monica Reed		Travis Mitchell	x
Depaul				
Harborview				
OBICI				
Maryview	Terrica Norman			
Sentara Systems	Shannon Ferguson		Jocelyn Danci	
Norfolk General	John Agola		Valeria Mitchell	X
Sentara Leigh	Amy Smith Peard	x		
Sentara Princess Anne	Tracy Flood			
Bell Harbor	Alicia Petrukas			
Beach General	Chris Roberts		Mark Day	
Commercial EMS (MTI)	Daniel Green	x		
Dispatch	Liz Beatty			
OMD	Joel Micheal	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			
Guests				
<u>Jurisdiction / Agency</u>	<u>Guest's Name</u>		<u>Guest's Name</u>	
VBEMS	Debbie Brennaman			
	Val Sommer			
Norfolk General	Jay Collins		Lisa Bono	
Norfolk General	Dr. Kunz			

- Welcome/Introductions /Adoption of February 2016 EMS PI Committee Minutes: Minutes approved as written.
- Dr. Collins, Pediatric Trauma Surgeon for Norfolk General discussed willingness to see patients although CHKD isn't a designated Trauma facility. The group discussed adding or rewriting PI guidelines. The group recommend starting July 1st to change the appendix Trauma Triage Plan criteria to reflect all trauma patients under 15 years of age will go directly to CHKD.

Long discussion from Dr. Collins Dr. Kunz and Allen Williamson surrounding all of the aspects of Pediatric Trauma Patients as well as how the upcoming changes will affect the current Trauma Triage Plan and when the changes will be made and put into the document. All realize that the EMS providers need the guidance and needs to be inserted in the document to help the region guide and direct the providers with CHKD becoming a Pediatric Trauma Center. It was also brought up that if CHKD was unable to handle the patient they would divert patient to Sentara Norfolk General anyway. Provided that CHKD becomes a trauma center prior to July 1, 2016. Motion seconded with

the wording to be when CHKD is able to accept Pediatric Trauma Patients they will be transported to CHKD as the Pediatric Trauma Center. All diversions of patients will be tracked and reviewed as well. Motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Dr. Collins expressed to the group as well that if there are any problems with CHKD accepting etc. then bring the patient to Sentara Norfolk General and the patient will be evaluated and treatment. Do not want to see the EMS get caught in the middle of choosing where the patient would ultimately be transported. After the call and patient is seen at the facility the case will be reviewed by the Trauma Team and CHKD to identify the potential issues.

- Case review of an esophageal intubation, difficult intubation from Portsmouth
- How much of heads up does the Trauma Team need to bringing in of trauma patients? Dr. Collins states that when Alpha Trauma is called everyone drops what they are doing and respond to the trauma. Stated that a 5 minute warning is enough of a warning to let them know. Discussion surrounded whether it was better for a heads up or just 5 minute warning, CHKD expressed they would like the more heads up approach and would like to be notified early on in the process to prepare and get ready.
- Chesapeake Fire advised the group that they are carrying the Quick Trach II device and this was new for them and that is what they are going to be using. Virginia Beach is going to use the Melchior kit for needed procedure which is a little harder to utilize.
- Individual case issues should go to the proper contact via phone first and not over e-mail which is discoverable and should not be sent non secure e-mail. Need to make sure that the process is secure and better than it currently in.
- Old Business
 - Group to Review Performance Indicators for Protocols
- New Business
 - Discussion about pulling of Data
 - Review of the current Trauma Triage Plan

Dates to remember located at www.tidewaterems.org

**The next meeting of the EMS Performance Improvement Committee will be June 9, 2016 @ 1630
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