

**TIDEWATER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.  
EMS PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Date:** January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023    **Meeting Location:** In-Person    **Chaired By:** Will Shackelford    **Begin Time:** 9:00 AM    **End Time:** 10:00 AM

**Minutes By:** Valerie Vagts    **Members Present:** Alan Perry, Brian Roland, James Reynolds, Michael O’Neill, Pat Edwards, Sheila DeYoung, Steve Henson, Will Shackelford, Valerie Vagts, David Long, Stephanie Adams, Karen Thurman

<b>Item (Project)</b>	<b>Discussion (Status)</b>	<b>Action Required</b>	<b>Barriers</b>	<b>By Whom/When</b>
Intro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Δ Intro</li> <li>Δ Minutes from July approved – Steve 1<sup>st</sup>, Alan 2<sup>nd</sup>, none opposed.</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A
Directors Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Δ NFA class for QA coming October 23-28 from Baltimore was a success, will continue to look for opportunities to enhance this committees’ knowledge</li> <li>Δ Looking into using continuum as a regional solution</li> <li>Δ Can use our hospital partners for care and discharge outcomes and use Sentara’s sepsis program to help guide EMS interaction</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Δ Approximately 60 protocols this committee is responsible for in addition to supporting Trauma, Stroke and STEMI committees</li> <li>Δ Can set standards</li> <li>Δ Currently reporting is developed from things heard, seen and read... mostly happenstance, would like to put organization to it and have them focus on existing protocols to help identify concerns or validate their validity. Develop protocols to “test” protocols</li> <li>Δ Visibility into outcomes – did EMS care help improve the outcomes</li> <li>Δ CARES – capture data and reporting with CPR/Defib status. When building data pull, have to account for providers not selecting cardiac arrest as their primary impression</li> </ul>			
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Δ Hospitals will only set up HDE, the state supported system for patient updates</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	PPS Committee/ next meeting
Follow-Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Δ Talk to E&amp;T about the etomidate shortage that may affect RSI kits</li> <li>Δ Will to meet with David Long to identify bite-size goals</li> </ul>			
Roundtable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Δ IOW: RSI rolled out 1/3/23</li> <li>Δ Portsmouth: be careful when ordering wheel coach ambulances that the M tank size has 2 sizes and the ambulances have been outfitted with the wrong size</li> <li>Δ Chesapeake: Handtevy is provided to all providers to use in cardiac arrests to increase</li> <li>Δ Bon Secours: moving all restock items to the closets in the EMS room; the ED director is now Jennifer Tuverson from Connecticut; Katie Collins is ED Manager</li> <li>Δ VB: Brian Roland is being onboarded to take Will’s spot</li> </ul>			
Next Meeting	The EMS PI Committee meeting is in-person on March 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 at 9:00 AM	N/A	N/A	N/A