

**MEDICAL CONTROL BOARD
EASTERN AND WESTERN DIVISIONS
EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS FOUNDATION**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Medical Control Board was held, pursuant to Oklahoma Statute, Title 25 & 307.1 on Wednesday, November 8th 10:00 am at the following locations:

EMSA Eastern Division Headquarters in the Conference Room
1417 N. Lansing Avenue, Tulsa, OK

EMSA Western Division Headquarters in the Conference Room
1111 Classen Drive, Oklahoma City, OK

NOTICE AND AGENDA for the regularly scheduled meeting of the Medical Control Board of the Emergency Physicians Foundation, Eastern and Western Divisions, was posted in the Office of the Deputy City Clerk of Tulsa, Monday, November 6th 2017 and in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Oklahoma City on Monday, November 6th, 2017 more than 24 hours prior to the time set for the regularly scheduled meeting of the Medical Control Board.

1. **Roll Call** disclosed a quorum at 10:38 am and the meeting was called to order by Dr. Mike Smith.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Roxie Albrecht
Dr. Mark Blubaugh
Dr. Chad Borin
Dr. Jeffrey Dixon
Dr. David Smith
Dr. Mike Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT

Dr. Russell Anderson
Dr. Brandon Boke
Dr. Barrett Bradt
Dr. Keri Smith
Dr. John Nalagan (medical)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dr. Jeffrey Goodloe, OMD
Dr. Curtis Knoles, OMD
Jennifer Jones, OMD
David Howerton, OMD
Matt Cox, OMD
Jamil Rahman, OMD
Jim Winham, EMSA
Sonny Geary, AMR
Rick Ornelas, AMR
Health Wright, AMR
Russell Martin, AMR
Lara O'Leary, AMR
Bryan Jones, OUMC
Frank Zarones, OUMC

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2. Review and Approval of September 2017 MCB Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Dr. Borin

SECOND: Dr. David Smith

Aye:

Dr. Roxie Albrecht
Dr. Mark Blubaugh
Dr. Chad Borin
Dr. Jeffrey Dixon
Dr. David Smith
Dr. Mike Smith

ABSENT

Dr. Russell Anderson
Dr. Brandon Boke
Dr. Barrett Bradt
Dr. Keri Smith
Dr. John Nalagan

3. EMSA President Report

Mr. Winham gave compliance, late call graph, exclusion summary, and destination hospital reports for August 2017 and September 2017.

Mr. Winham has been working with AMR for compliance and staffing issues. Dr. David Smith asked if the Edmond substation is in compliance. Mr Winham stated AMR was being compliant. He explained that the Edmond substation is only a deployment station and also runs calls in North Oklahoma City. Dr. Borin asked if the concerns in staffing were the same in Tulsa. Mr Winham explained to some degree there is a national shortage of paramedics in large, urban systems. Mr. Geary with AMR spoke about the recent pay increase for the paramedics with a \$4/hour increase for full time employees and a \$.50/hour increase for full time EMT's.

Mr. Winham shared that Warr Acres and Bethany Fire Departments will both be moving to Samaritan EMS for ambulance transport services beginning January 1, 2018 at 0800.

4. Medical Director Report

Dr. Goodloe shared that the divert reports are posted for MCB physician review and asked that each MCB physician closely review the data for their represented hospital.

Dr Goodloe shared how excited he was about the recent change in EMSA leadership in the last few weeks and that he is enjoying working with Mr. Winham in the interim. He hopes that the EMSA BOT will make Mr. Winham the permanent CEO. He thanked Mr. Winham for the job well done as the COO and indicated he has great faith that Mr. Winham will do an outstanding job as CEO.

Dr. Goodloe and the entire OMD team attended a two day strategic planning meeting in Tulsa in September. The medical oversight teams from Wichita-Sedgwick County and Johnson County in Kansas joined us in a regional EMS medical oversight strategic planning meeting for the second day. He stated it was a very successful meeting

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discussing best practices, education and clinical treatment protocols between all three systems. There is already planning in process for a 2018 regional meeting to be held in Tulsa at the request of the Kansas teams and adding additional medical oversight teams.

Dr. Goodloe shared that he was very pleased that Dr. Knoles was recognized for work that he is doing with the Stop the Bleed Program in Oklahoma and was also pleased to see he spoke on this at the recent National Association of State EMS Officials in OKC.

Dr. Goodloe offered to help EMSA with their CPR training, reviewing facilities in Oklahoma City and Tulsa for effective AED placement, as well as donating \$1000 from the MCB/OMD budget for additional equipment such as AED's and hemorrhage control equipment, factoring OMD personnel work in these administrative buildings throughout the week.

Dr. Goodloe shared information about the multi-agency Airway Management Taskforce that is being formed. This group will begin by looking at all forms of airway management, including intubation, and make recommendations to improve upon present practices. This group will be looking at what we can do to improve procedural success, to achieve airway interventions quicker, to design supportive education, to review clinical equipment options, and to consider an airway database reporting program that includes all levels of clinical personnel.

Dr. Goodloe shared that Jamil Rahman just returned from film school in California and we are eager to utilize all that he learned to better in-house produced CE videos. He also shared that Duffy is in Dallas attending a mental health in public safety seminar and benchmarking with both Dallas and Ft. Worth EMS systems.

Assistant Medical Director Report

Dr. Knoles stated he is working with OKCFD on a program to remove AHA courses and replace with in-house equivalents. The costs associated with AHA courses continues to climb.

5. EMSA Patient Care Reports at Emergency Departments

Dr. David Smith stated that he is still not receiving patient care reports at Integris Baptist Hospital. Mr. Winham explained EMSA is looking to implement Right Fax to send reports to the hospitals. EMSA is also considering different software to expedite PCR's being included within hospital EMR platforms.

Dr. David Smith explained that the reports are needed in a timely manner due to language barriers, altered mental status patients, and for other similar clinical reasons. Dr. Albrecht also explained that OU was having the same issues with crews not leaving PCR's at the facility. She said the PCR's are very important for her to take to the operating room or

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send to the intensive care unit as these reports are to contain vital information only able to be described from being at the scene itself. Dr. Borin stated that this seems to be a system-wide problem, looking at the emails from Mr. Geary to Dr. Goodloe and the MCB officers. Dr. Borin stated that he is concerned about the medics not being appropriately responsible, as he has personally seen medics drop off patients and then either go out to their unit or sit in the breakroom without completing a PCR.

Dr. Goodloe stated that there is a behavior issue surrounding timely documentation in Oklahoma City that does not seem to be the same extent in Tulsa. Dr Goodloe questioned local AMR leadership about the employees that have received the training about completing the PCR's within the allowed policy. Mr. Geary stated that there were 86 full time paramedics and 22 part time paramedics that had presently been re-trained. Given those numbers, Dr. Goodloe questioned why only 30% have taken the training since October 1st, 2017. EMTs are also responsible to complete documentation training.

Dr. David Smith stated that the Medical Control Board writes protocols and policies for patient safety and believes that the protocols are not being followed. He feels like he is not being heard and AMR is not complying with the MCB/OMD policies. Dr. Goodloe reviewed that leaving a PCR by the Medical Control Board policy that stipulates a PCR is to be left at the receiving ED with patient delivery before the ambulance answers another call unless emergency calls are holding. Even in this circumstance, the PCR is to be completed within 2 hours of the patient arrival to the ED. Further, all PCRs must be completed prior to a paramedic going off duty/leaving their shift.

The MCB and OMD will continue to monitor this issue with expectation that AMR leadership address the issue effectively with their employees and that EMSA continue to provide appropriate resources for the policy requirements to be met.

6. Review and Approval of August 2017 and September 2017 MCB Financial Statements

MOTION: Dr. Borin

SECOND: Dr. David Smith

Aye:

Dr. Roxie Albrecht
Dr. Mark Blubaugh
Dr. Chad Borin
Dr. Jeffrey Dixon
Dr. David Smith
Dr. Mike Smith

ABSENT

Dr. Russell Anderson
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7. Next Meeting – January 3, 2018

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8. Adjournment

Upon Motion by Dr. Blubaugh and seconded by Dr. Borin, the Medical Control Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:22am

Approved By:
David Smith, MD
MCB Secretary

Date Approved: