

Patient Management Functional Group  
John Gallagher, MD-Chair  
September 17, 2008  
Meeting Minutes-DRAFT

Voting Members: Jill Ellett, RN; John Gallagher, MD; Garth Gemar, MD; Rebecca Haro; Debbie Johnston; Mary Kopp, RN; Jaems Nelson; Roy Ryals; Faith Whipple, RN; and Laurie Wood, RN

Guest Members: Charlann Staab, RN; Jeannie Culver, RN; Mary White, RN; Mike Baros, RN; Vicki Bennett; Robin Anglin, RN; and Lori Moxon, RN

- I. Call to order @ 1100am by Dr Gallagher
- II. Introductions: None
- III. Approval of Previous Planning and Outreach Minutes-*unanimous approval*.
- IV. Task Force Updates
  - A. Transfer of Care (AKA Diversion): John Ford; Mary Kopp, RN; and Paul Nies
    1. Sector Updates. Next Transfer of Care meeting will be held October 10 at 9:30 am.
      - West Valley implementing a no-divert trial beginning on September 8 thru October 6. Upon completion of trial, all parties will be brought together to discuss results.
      - RED Book Chapter 8 Revisions. Mary Kopp presented the minor changes made to Chapter 8 which included updating the hospital list AND changing name throughout from Diversion to Transfer of Care.
    2. SE Sector Administrative Oversight: Garth Gemar, MD reported on the committee's activities. Next meeting will be held October 14, 9:00 am, at Mesa Fire Department.
      - Committee has been faced with a persistent problem securing committed participation from all hospitals. However, at the last meeting there was excellent representation and the Committee is hopeful the issue will resolve.
      - Good progress has made in offload times. Goal: 90% under 30 minutes. Tracking clear times – from the time rig rolls up and when they are back in service.
      - Discussion ensued about Code Black. Some facilities encountered flooding and were placed on Code Black and thus they prepared for mass evacuations (which never happened). Question about definition in RED Book. Clarification – if a hospital is placed on Code Black they are closed.
      - Eagerly awaiting status of Arizona Regional Medical Center.
  - B. Categorization: Robert Londeree, MD
    1. Categorization updates remain in progress. Follow-up will be continuing. Please report any technical difficulties experienced
  - C. Operation Stroke/Primary Stroke Centers: nothing new to report.
    - Roy Ryals addressed stroke triage criteria. Discussion ensued about stroke assessment, triage and role of stroke centers.
  - D. Pediatric: No report provided.
  - E. Maricopa County Hospital Disaster Preparedness Council Update: No new updates.
  - F. Red Book Update: Alyson Welch presented the revised RED Book guidelines. Alyson addressed changes recommended by various AEMS representatives. Question addressed use of a product name supporting a specific situation or for specific drug in RED Book guideline. It was recommended that we state describe the item without the brand name OR state the brand name with mention of the equivalent.
- V. Trauma: On behalf of Vicki Conditt, Ed Armijo reported the State's trauma activities.
- VI. Committee Update:
  - A. EMS Council: next meeting is September 19, 2008
  - B. STAB: next meeting is September 18, 2008
  - C. PACES: No report provided.
- VII. Old Business:
  - A. Rick Garner presented a RAZOR screen update. Rick proposed separating the trauma centers from the EDs on this screen. It will involve reprogramming information with Phoenix Fire Department and training with PMT and Southwest Ambulance. Discussion ensued. Motion made and approved.
- VIII. New Business:
- IX. Call to the Public: none
- X. Adjournment at 1145

Respectfully Submitted By: Peggy Baker, Arizona Emergency Medical Systems, Inc.