

AEMS Functional Group

Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2021

Voting Members: Michelle Angle; Geoff Ballentine, RN; Shari Brand, MD; Sheila Bryant, RN; James Cunningham; Kendal Dold, RN; Joyce Dominski, RN; Franco Castro-Marin, Gabe Gabriel, RN; Garth Gemar, MD; Ryan Herold, RN; ; Dan Jarrett; Mickey Kovach, RN; Martin Murphy; Sandy Nygaard; Roy Ryals; Tomi St. Mars, RN; Alyson Welch;

Distinguished Guests: Ahmed Almaridi; Jamie Beauvais; Gail Bradley, MD; Alex Brothers; Suzanne Buchanan, RN; Tyler Call; MD; Kayla Cole; Nicola Crim; Katie Fey; Joe Gibson; Rebecca Haro; Joyce Hospodar; Andrew Johnston; Sushant Kale, MD; David Kean; Liz Littell, RN; Robert Londeree, MD; Rhonda Mason, RN; Tracy Moroney, RN; Marlene McCormick; Laurie Ray, RN; Barb Schaffer, RN; Casey Solem, MD; Ryan Southworth, DO; Valeria Weaver, RN; Julia Vinton; Steven Wolf; Lisa Ziomek

Education

A. Education: Lunch & Learn

Stroke and Advancement in Their Care

Mohamed Teleb, MD Neurologist-Abrazo & Banner Heath

Ahmed El-Gengaihy, DD-Msc Market Stroke Medical Director, Vice Chair, Neuroscience Service Line. Abrazo Health Lisa Ziamek, MSN/MHA, RN, CEN Stroke Program, Coordinator-Abrazo Central

B. Central Region Profile

Abrazo Arizona Heart Hospital, Tammy Querrey, RN Director, Cardiovascular Center of Excellence

C. Topical Focus

Roadmap for First Responder Encounters of Patients with Potential Substance Use Disorders

Joyce Hospodor, MBA, MPA Arizona Center for Rural Health

Administrative Business

A. General Report-Ryan Herold , RN NP

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes-Action APPROVED

2. AEMS Announcements:

a. Voting Membership: Peggy has sent out members who joined as voting members. Membership enrollment sent out every January.

b. Links on website for several events coming up

3. Old Business: none

4. New Business: none

5. State Report:

a. ADHS recruiting for vacant positions.

b. Surge Line only arranging non-urgent transfers. Covid numbers are down.

B. Planning & Outreach Report—Sandy Nygaard

1. 2021 EMS Odyssey Conference June 9, 2021 <https://aems.org/odyssey>

28 persons have already registered. Speakers include Tanya Glenn Psychologist & Lynn Brown Wagner who will present on Infectious Disease.

2. AEMS Membership Campaign in process. Invoices will be sent out as reminder. Individual Memberships are also available, please see AEMS Website. Potentially less funds available in 2021 from Az. DHS due to Covid-19.

3. Agency/Hospital/Fire Contact Updates-Transitions. Please send any updates to Peggy Baker, contacts change frequent and many people are missed.

4. Outreach: New software is being used for AEMS Campaign Membership. It will create a Directory of Personnel and maybe listed on AEMS website with primary contact at Agency.

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C. Patient Management Report-Ryan Herold RN NP

1. Categorization. Tomi St Mars. RN
 - a. Discussed Honor Health Thompson Peak Provisional Primary Stroke Center. Had been approved in earlier Cauterization meeting to take to Functional Group meeting for approval. ACTION: APPROVED
2. Transfer of Care: nothing new
3. Arizona Stroke: Had presentations earlier. Group will be meeting in April. Will be looking at potential guidelines for different Tiers of Stroke Centers, including: Tiers 1. Stroke Ready 2. Primary Stroke Center 3. Thrombectomy Capable 4. Comprehensive Stroke
4. RED Book-Dr Gemar, Dr. Southworth, Barb Schaffer, RN, Sandy Nygaard, Dr. Londeree, Peggy Baker working on updating RED book.
5. Pediatric-PACES meeting March 18, 2021. Safe Sleep Preventing Suffocation for First Responders Toolkit for EMS available on AzDHS website.
6. Trauma-nothing announced
7. Behavioral Health-nothing announced
8. AzCHER: Working with putting Course together. March 30-April 1, 2021 and will place info on meetings in chat.

Adjourn. 12:05 pm

Next Board Meeting is April 21, 2021 via Zoom

Next Functional Group Meeting is May 19, 2021 via Zoom.

Special Topical Focus Presenter: Lynn Browne Wagner, Covid-19

Respectfully Prepared and Submitted by:
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