Southwest Ohio Protocol Committee Minutes
July 20, 2018
0900-1030
Blue Ash Fire Department

Attendance

Woods Curry, Paul Gallo, Mary Ahlers, Michael Bilkasley, Todd Burwinkel, Tom Dietz, Brian Doering, Matt Gauthier, Michael Gleimer, Amy Graham, Randall Johan, Mark Johnston, William Kercheval, Darren Mooney, Matthew Neth, Edward Otten, Todd Owens, Shane Packer, Michael Ramsey, Beatrice Simeliunaite, Joe Stoffolano, Tom Wagner, Haki Zuberi

A. A100 Administrative Protocol
   Chief Owens- Progress, currently waiting on the matrix for site visits

B. NEW Sepsis Protocol/Sepsis Protocol CCHMC suggestions
   Dr. Curry- Added statement to not delay transport of these patients for IV/IO access. Considering expanding protocol for all ages. Approved and will add CCHMC suggestions for pediatrics to bring back for next meeting.

C. NEW Special Trauma Situations
   Brian Doering- Considerable amount of input from USAR and Ohio Task Force 1 on this protocol. A lot of information on PPE/Safety removed, PPE preferences added. Administration of bicarb cleaned up. Discussion of whether to keep in releasing of tourniquets. Decided to add note stating “only to release with direction from Medical Control”. Discussion on cardiac monitors and oxygen for these patients with collaboration from rescue team leaders.

D. SB 204 Cardiac Arrest, C300 Ventricular Fibrillation/Tachycardia Adult w/o Pulse, C301 Asystole- Pulseless Electrical Activity (PEA)
   Joe Stoffolano- Changes made to make one whole algorithm focusing on high quality CPR and quality ventilations. Discussion of CPR with advanced airways, either choose to train on 30:2 or continuous CPR. What you train on is what you should use as a department. Changes focus on BLS aspect for EMTS, including AED use. Added current 2017 medication changes for PALS and
ACLS. Also, removed values for ETCO2 monitoring and hypoglycemia from H’s and T’s. Joe encouraging people to review and compare to old protocol and to bring any concerns to the August meeting.

E. **S501 Head or Spinal Trauma**
Dr. Curry- Administration of Hypotonic Saline to reflect Air Care administration. Changes in ventilations to maintain current/baseline CO2 instead of ventilating for a target number. Discussion on EMS having trouble with not knowing a patient’s true baseline depending on presentation. Should the protocol contain a “normal value” or create a baseline of 20. Rational of shock patients not having a true baseline. Discussion of what exactly baseline means. Will ask Dr. McMullan to re-work language and bring back for next meeting.

F. **S505 Pain Management**
Dr. Curry and Chief Gallo- Protocol stated Morphine and Fentanyl as first line for pain management and Ketamine as second line. Discussion on why not put Ketamine as first line and let departments decide, leaving it as an option. To include note discussing conjunction with smaller dose opioid. Discussion of looking at IM dose of Ketamine to see if it is feasible for EMS to use. Revisit this next meeting with hope to finalize this protocol.

G. **P607 Pediatric Respiratory Distress (Wheezing or Asthma)**
Chief Gallo- Reformatted chart, color etc. Continuous Albuterol removed. This protocol is a twin of the other Respiratory “stridor” protocol, both start the same. We should format the other as a flow chart to mimic.

H. **T704 Spinal Immobilization**
Flow chart cleaned up. Discussion of helmet and shoulder pads, little league football vs. grade/high school. Discussion to include note about consulting with athletic trainers for removal vs. non-removal.

### New Business

#### Hospital Status Reporting Guidelines

Next meeting scheduled for 7/23. More information to come. Hoping to get draft protocol and including for EMS reference.

#### SB 214 Trauma Triage Decision Tree- review section on elderly patients and anti-coagulants

Discussed language change for “evidence of traumatic brain injury” to be allowed to be transported to any facility.

#### Dilution of Mag Sulfate in Torsades

To fix dosing and will circle back. Will check with Nicole (Pharmacist)

NEXT MEETING: August 31st AT 0900 – Blue Ash Fire Department