

**Medical Direction and Practice Board**  
**17-Jan-2007**  
**Minutes**

**In Attendance Members:** David Ettinger, Kevin Kendall, Matt Sholl, Steve Diaz, Jay Reynolds, Paul Liebow

**In Attendance Staff:** Jay Bradshaw, Dawn Kinney, Scott Smith, Alan Leo

**In Attendance:** Jonnathan Busko, Dan Palladino, Tim Beals, Ginny Brockway, Rick Petrie, Joe Lahood, Jeff Regis, David White, Kim McGraw, Kevin Bachi, Dan Batsie, Joanne LeBrun, Paul Marcolini

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action(s)</b>
1) Minutes from December 2006 and introductions.	No discussion	MOTION: First by and Second by to accept, unanimous approval
2) Legislative, Budget, EMSTAR updates	LDs are starting to come out. Public Hearing Next Thursday on Primary Seat Belt Legislation. MEMS and TAC supporting this. Two dept bills in reviser's office. Governor released the budget and EMS is flat funded. Any increase in health care costs or salaries negotiated via union will have to come out of existing budget. Commissioner Cantara unanimously approved by the House yesterday for District Court Judge—this goes to the Senate next. Colonel Poulin filling in and he is leaving end of February. Replacement to be determined. Nothing specific in EMSTAR and a lot of recommendations have been incorporated into the dept bill. If that passes, we then continue the work looking to rules changes if the LD passes.	No action
3) Hart Recommendations	See attached. Read and amended. Discussion of NEEMS program and their lessons learned. Services encouraged to turn on the interpretive software on 12 lead machines.	At Education and Operations committee
4) CPAP	Bar Harbor FD and Delta Ambulance would like to join the project	Consensus to do so.
5) Protocol updates: Yellow	See attached which is a running list of updates. Not reflected here is the following: A. How often is tetracaine used—to MEMS QI committee B. Petrie asked if CN antidote needed. This is in the popular media again, but is not overtly above baseline. No action C. Kendall asked about drafting language to have crews bypass hospitals to take patients to those with CABG capabilities. Discussion around delaying any type of active rewarming is probably not in the patient's best interest—closest ED	MOTION: No motion thus far, will have a composite at the end of all the protocol recommendations.

	for active rewarming initiation and then to specific specialty hospital if needed.	
6) NAEMSP Update from Busko (thank you Jonnathan for sending the notes)	<p>Current major issue is general Liability and civil liability. Med mal is a minimal piece.  <a href="http://www.nemsmdia.org">www.nemsmdia.org</a>: Medical Director education on liability, contracts, QI and protocol development New product available from:  <a href="http://www.thomasjamesinsurance.com">www.thomasjamesinsurance.com</a></p> <p>Need separate DEA license for your service narcotics so that you don't lose your professional DEA for work if there is an investigation. Make sure you are covered by the agency if you receive a DEA fine</p> <p>IOM report as guiding document Need for medical director to work within hospitals to solve throughput issues</p> <p>Disaster planning  <a href="http://www.dh.nhs.uk/emergencyplanning">www.dh.nhs.uk/emergencyplanning</a>  P-MEWS Pandemic physiologic scoring system Include repatriation of patients to local hospitals in your disaster planning</p> <p>NFPA 1584 Draft (fireground rehab)  Comments due by March 2</p> <p>Nova Scotia EHS evidenced based protocols:  <a href="http://www.gov.ns.ca/ehs/">http://www.gov.ns.ca/ehs/</a></p>	General Information
7) OLMC/Med Dir	Busko will send to Diaz who will distribute and test is almost done. To Maine ACEP for Web Production and NAEMSP interested in this as well	To next meeting
8) Blood Product Query Form	Issue of blood products as a component of PIFT. This can only be done with buy in of all hospitals. Reviewed letter which will serve as a query and Jay Reynolds shared that his hospital would have no issue with this. Diaz will attempt to get a list of blood bank or lab directors for hospitals in Maine. Azarra will get other protocols to Diaz so we can amend the letter to read "as others are doing."	Diaz to get list of addresses if possible to Bradshaw, then letter to go out.

9) Disaster Protocols	Is there an interest in this contingent to discuss the process of developing and integrating disaster protocols. Five persons interested—meet offline and discuss and bring recommendations to MDPB	Off line discussion to be scheduled.
10) TEMS	Busko would like to present this as a whole program for adoption. He will present this next month	To next month
11) Changes to PHTLS	Teaching new version of PHTLS and Petrie would like to present changes to the MDPB	To next month
12) February meeting	Discussion around this falling on school vacation week. Majority of MDPB members can be here.	No change
13) Recognition	The MDPB thanked Dan Palladino for all his work for many years. Dan is moving to Florida	Appreciation
Next Meeting	February , 2007, 0930 – 1230, at MEMS.	