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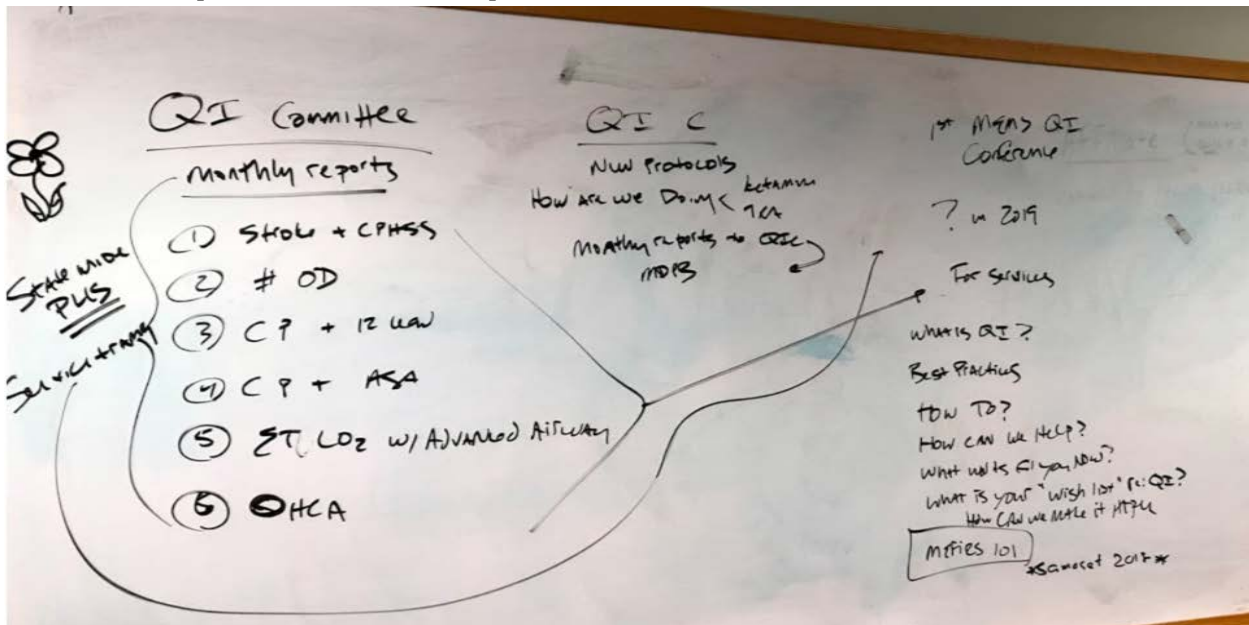
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Quality Assurance & Improvement Committee  
 Meeting Minutes  
 October 17, 2018

Meeting began at 13:33

1. Old business/Last Meeting Discussions

- a. The group continued the discussion regarding state QI Metrics from the previous month. See photo below:



- i. The QI Committee monthly reports would be as follows
  - 1. Stroke & CPHSS
  - 2. Number of opiate related overdoses
  - 3. Chest pain with 12 lead EKG
  - 4. Chest pain with Aspirin administration
  - 5. ETCO2 with an advanced airway
  - 6. Out of hospital cardiac arrest
- ii. Monthly reports regarding new protocol additions
  - 1. These reports intended for the QI committee and the MDPB
    - a. Ketamine
    - b. Tranexamic Acid (TXA)

- iii. Presenting a Maine EMS QI Conference
  - 1. Possibly in 2019
  - 2. Possible discussion topics
    - a. What is QI
    - b. Best Practices
    - c. How to do QA/QI
    - d. How we (QA/QI Committee, Maine EMS, Regional Staff) help you?
    - e. What works for you?
    - f. What is your "wish list: re: QI
      - i. How can we make it helpful?
    - g. MEFIRS 101
      - i. There is a course titled this being offered at the Samoset EMS Conference this year.
  - 3. Marc Minkler shared some statistics regarding EMS-C

2. New Business

- a. Tim Nangle spoke about a meeting he had with Matt Sholl
  - i. They spent four hours together and reviewed 6 QI Metrics from MEFIRS
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  - ii. Matt Sholl presented a review of that data
    - 1. Naloxone data
    - 2. Stroke data
    - 3. TXA Review
- b. We found a need to recreate the aspirin administration with chest pain report in MEFIRS
  - i. This should be looked at in conjunction with any EMD administration of aspirin
- c. Rick Petrie asked what are we measuring?
  - i. How can we use this information to turn around and help the mission of improving patient care?
- d. Matt Sholl agreed to
  - i. update the information that was presented today

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- ii. work on adding the next metrics
- 3. Open positions
  - a. There is an open seat for a Transporting Service Representative that was made when Maine EMS hired Marc Minkler
  - b. The option was presented to advertise the open position on the Maine EMS website, and our social media accounts, and for the group to share the announcement.
    - i. Jason Oko would collect the letters of interest and present them to the committee at the next meeting
  - c. For members that have not been in attendance we would send an email inquiring about their:
    - i. Continued interest
    - ii. Update on the committee
  - d. The discussion also brought up inconsistent start and end times of the meeting
    - i. It was decided that we would set the start time of the meeting to 1:30 P.M. with an end time of 3:00 P.M. (discussed and added after the meeting)