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Interfacility Transport Task Force

Agenda

Tuesday

December 11th, 2018

0930-1130

DeChamplain

Call in

701-801-1211

ID 587-145-925

I. Call to Order 0930

Members present: Tim Beals, Judy Gerrish, Dr. Tilney, Dennis Russell, Sandra Parker, Joe Conley

Members Absent: Dr. Sholl, Open MDPB seat, Open Rural Sending Facility Rep

MEMS Staff: Don Sheets

Stakeholders: Rick Petrie, Jay Bradshaw, Ben Zetterman, Kevin Gurney

II. Introductions/Public Comments: None

III. Acceptance of Minutes – Dennis motioned to approve Joe Seconded Unanimous

IV. Additions to Agenda:

V. New Business:

- a. Recap of rules for new members – Don Gave a recap of the history of interfacility transport with Maine EMS. What efforts have been made to address issues in the past and the purpose of this group.
- b. MDPB/Maine EMS Whitepaper Draft –
- c. Data Review –
 - i. Determination of types of Interfacility Transfers (IFT)
 - 1. BLS (Basic Life Support) IFT
 - 2. ALS (Advanced Life Support) IFT
 - 3. ALS PIFT (Paramedic Interfacility Transfers)
 - 4. ALS SCT (Specialty Care Transports)
 - 5. ALS CCT (Critical Care Transport)

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- ii. Basic Life Support Transfers
 - 1. Level of Care
 - 2. Types of calls
 - 3. Sending (or referring hospitals) and receiving destinations
 - 4. Types of diagnoses
 - 5. Examples
 - a. Dialysis
 - b. Hospital to Home
 - c. Hospital to SNF/ Assisted Living Center/ Hospice/ rehab/ etc.
 - d. Psychiatric Transfers
- iii. Issues for BLS Transfers
 - 1. Definition of BLS Transfer
 - 2. Definition of Sending facility
 - 3. Medications approved for BLS IFT. Are there any?
- iv. Questions raised
 - 1. Types
 - 2. Time of day
 - 3. Distance
 - 4. Volume
- v. Special Case: Psychiatric Transfers
 - 1. Volume
 - 2. Can facilities and EMS work consistently to develop a plan of transfers that occur when there are no safety concerns (i.e. not in the middle of the night).

VI. Unfinished Business

- a. Hospital Survey – hold but keep placeholder
- b. Agency Survey – hold but keep placeholder

VII. Adjournment: 1118 Dennis Joe