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Quality Improvement Committee Minutes November 17, 2021

“The mission of Maine EMS is to promote and provide for a comprehensive and effective Emergency Medical Services system to ensure optimum patient care with standards for all clinicians. All members of this committee should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this committee, we commit to serve the respective clinicians, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”

1. Introductions / Roll Call
 - a. Chip did Roll call -
 - a. Guests
 - i. Jack Indritz, Chase Labbe, Dwight Corning, Oliver Mackenzie, Sally Taylor, Rob Sharkey
 - b. Maine EMS Staff
 - i. Melissa Adams, Sam Hurley, Darren Davis
0. Disclosure of any conflicts of interest
 - a. None Provided
1. Modifications to the agenda
 - a. None Provided
2. Public comments
 - a. None provided
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. September 2021
 - a. Motion to suspend the minutes
 - b. Bring all minutes to December meeting
4. Maine EMS Staff Reports

- a. Maine QI Plan Development
 - a. Sam gave an update on the two new positions - Systems of Care Coordinator, and a CP Program Coordinator
 - i. Positions close on the 25th
 - b. Board seats have expired, new positions have been appointed by the Governor
 - i. MEMS will work with the new members to complete an onboarding process, hope to do early in December
 - ii. Hope to have new members sworn in by the December board meeting
 - iii. Sam gave a rundown on the new Board Members
 - . Survey went out to service leaders on workforce issues
 - a. Jason gave his update
 - i. Chip wants to meet with Darren about Naloxone Newsletter
- 0. Medical Director Report
 - a. Matt gave a small update
- 1. Old Business
 - a. Chair Duties / Job Description
 - a. Need to get this updated,
 - b. Chair Elect Discussion
 - a. Need to have this discussion as well.
 - c. Regional QI Survey
 - a. Sally gave an update
 - i. It has gone out
 - ii. The board approved it as a board supported quality initiative
 - iii. Send Non-Traumatic Chest pain questions to Chip
- 0. New Business
 - a. Naloxone Newsletter
 - a. Darren is on vacation, no action has moved forward on this subject
 - b. Embracing the naloxone dispensation initiative
 - i. Training comes out in the next day or two
 - ii. Steve had a thought about wanting to know where the naloxone was coming from
 - iii. Chip was wondering about other public health initiatives that EMS could be involved in
 - 1. Sam provided some clarifications about the Safe Injections Program

2. Dr. Sholl provided information regarding the expansion of naloxone use for non-ems public safety individuals
 - a. To measure the impact of our naloxone distribution program, we are going to need to be different in our approach to this, we are going to have to be targeted and deliberate to add QI questions and values to the report.
 - . Future Newsletter Topics
 - a. Safety
 - b. Quality Improvement
 - a. Membership Vacancies
 - a. Region 3 - Oliver McKenzie
 - b. Hospital rep
1. Other
 - a. Items for next meeting agenda
 - a. 2021 quality improvement markers
 - b. Blood glucose for altered mental status patients
 - c. Bringing back older quality markers
 - d. Epic Study quality markers
2. Next meeting date
 - a. December 15, 2021

11. Adjourn

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