

Quality Assurance & Improvement Committee Minutes for March 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 <u>excellence</u>, <u>support</u>, <u>collaboration</u>, and <u>integrity</u>. In serving on this committee, we commit to serve the respective clinicians, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent."

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Attendance
  - a. Committee
    - Dr. J. Matthew Sholl; Dr. Kate Zimmerman; Dr. Beth Collamore; Richard Petrie, Paramedic; Joanne Lebrun, Emergency Medical Technician; Arthur Getchell, Paramedic; Stephen Smith, Paramedic; Ashley Moody, Paramedic, RN
  - b. Guests
    - i. Dr. Kelly Meehan-Coussee; Cody Fenderson, Paramedic; Deborah Morgan, Evariste Bernier, Paramedic; Jack Indritz, Paramedic
  - c. Maine EMS Staff
    - i. Jason Oko, Paramedic; Melissa Adams, Paramedic; Marc Minkler, Paramedic
- 3. Public Comments
  - a. None
- 4. Old Business:
  - a. Behavioral Health Newsletter
    - i. Sam & Jason presented the behavioral health newsletter to the committee prior to the meeting
      - 1. The committee was asked to assist in editing the document for clarity
        - a. Several changes were made in regard to language



- b. The committee assisted in writing the takeaways component of the newsletter
- 2. The committee voted to approve the release of the newsletter

## 5. New Business

- a. Next newsletter topics
  - i. Next newsletter topics were discussed
    - 1. A repeat of the previous aspirin study was suggested
    - 2. An oral medication newsletter
    - 3. A cardiac emergencies newsletter
    - 4. A diabetic emergencies newsletter
    - 5. Refusals
      - a. include pediatric refusals
    - 6. A trauma newsletter
- b. Open positions will be advertised, the EMD position was accepted by the board and will also be advertised.
  - i. Interviews of candidates will be at the next meeting if we receive any interested applicants.
- 6. Agenda for next meeting
  - a. Meeting on April 21, 2021
- 7. Adjournment
  - a. Motion to adjourn at 1455 was unanimous