

Medical Director Liaison Committee Meeting

December 19th, 2022; ECC

Liaison Committee Members present: Dr. Ryan Jacobsen – Medical Director, Melody Morales-Medical Director Office, Bruce Hartig / Jake Ring Olathe FD, Darren Butler MED-ACT, Brian Schoenig Med-ACT, Mike Morgan CFD2, Stacy Jones-Medical Director Office, Adiel Garcia MED-ACT, Brian DeVader NWCDFD, Alan Long OPFD, Chris Pagano SFD, Colby Stanchfield JCFD1, Tom Miller / Matt Logue Lenexa FD, Scott Gilmore Leawood FD

Others in attendance: Jonathan Kaplan MED-ACT

Members absent:

TOPIC	PRESENT ER	PREVIOUS ACTION ITEMS	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Old Business:				
Credentialing	Dr. Jacobsen		<p>We had Verifier Summit and discussed the following during the summit:</p> <p>Cognitive Exam- We will discontinue the cognitive exam starting in 2023</p> <p>Protocol Exam- We will increase the number of questions to 100 for PM, 75 for AEMT, and 50 for EMT. We will eventually include additional scenario-based protocol questions in the exam, but this will not happen until 2024.</p> <p>Skill Changes- We discussed changes to the skills as well as plan to randomize the skills a provider will check-off on so they do not perform all skills.</p> <p>A document was sent out to this group, the Chiefs, the verifier group, and the Training Chiefs.</p>	

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			<p>Discussion around if we would continue to use EMSTesting. We could look into different platforms in the future if the system would like to look at this. However, we will not be changing the platform in 2023.</p>	
PSO	Dr. Jacobsen/ Melody		<p>Skin tear video was sent out by Dr. Jacobsen to the system. We want to make sure providers are aware that we are causing skin tears within our system due to electrode removal.</p> <p>There was also a question that came up around having multiple stickers on the patient and not being able to remove the stickers. This is not the case. Providers can remove electrodes if necessary. This will require provider judgment.</p> <p>There was also a question about MED-ACT not wanting fire departments to switch cables with MED-ACT if a patient is already attached. We have verified that MED-ACT is fine with swapping cables to avoid having to disconnect the cables on a patient that may already be hooked up to cables.</p> <p>Kaplan did mention that switching cables with Zoll monitors are a little more problematic than they were with the Phillips monitors.</p> <p>Just a reminder to send Melody your verge admin users' signed confidentiality agreements for PSO.</p> <p>Medication cross-check survey results discussed. We think best thing to do moving forward is to education crews on how to correctly do a medication cross-check.</p>	

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			Discussion around system engineering options to help physically prompt providers to do the medication cross-check. Morgan mentioned that he has the medication cross-check sheet laminated and on the inside lid of the medication box. Group encouraged to reach out to OMD if they have any ideas on this.	
EMS Education Committee	Adiel Garcia		Skills and Sim prep is Jan 11 th . Education Committee meeting is Jan. 17 th . Invites have been sent out for these.	.
Simulation	Mike Morgan		No update	
Logistics/Shortages	Darren Butler		<p>MED-ACT was able to get 300 vials of fentanyl from Lawrence Memorial Hospital. Dr. Jacobsen has sent out an expiration extension for fentanyl.</p> <p>Adenosine is still on back order for 30-60 days. Dr. Jacobsen has sent out an expiration extension for adenosine.</p> <p>Common inventory group will make changes to the current inventory list reflecting the new equipment items for 2023 protocols. This will be updated on the OMD Moodle site.</p>	
Video Laryngoscopy	Schoenig		<p>UEScope is what the group has agreed upon for purchasing.</p> <p>Each agency will purchase their own UEScopes through Bound Tree.</p> <p>Standard geometry blades are available now. We will see about having the rep come to show us at our next MDLC meeting.</p>	

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ECG Electrodes	Melody/K aplan		<p>MED-ACT will be piloting the Zoll electrodes on M1144, M1141, M1154, M1135.</p> <p>The feedback form was sent to this group for comments on questions in the survey. Melody has also created an info. sheet about the pilot that she will send out to group once details are solidified.</p> <p>KCFD uses Curaplex electrodes. These electrodes are on Bound Tree. We think it makes sense to pilot these electrodes as well while we are looking into different electrodes. We will need to look into purchasing these for the pilot.</p> <p>We will likely start piloting in January. Melody will work with Kaplan on figuring out start date.</p>	
New Business				
ETCO2 Filterline Pilot	Dr. Jacobsen/ Stacy/Kap lan		<p>Masimo rep. has been talking to OMD as well as some other departments about their new ETCO2 filterline. They may be easier to use and are supposed to be better with moisture wicking, etc. We were wondering if we should look into piloting these as we seem to be having a lot of issues with ETCO2 readings/waveforms.</p> <p>Discussion around if the issues are due to filterline or airway device. We would like to start here to see if this helps with ETCO2 readings/waveforms. Discussion around looking at old data to see if we were having issues before as well. Question also asked about if we have noticed any trends or correlations with device, pt population, etc. and</p>	

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			<p>ETC02 issues. OMD is tracking this info., and we have not had the opportunity to deep dive into the data as of yet.</p> <p>Group will check into the pricing of these devices before we look into exploring this any further. We believe the devices may be similar pricing to our current devices. If we do decide to pilot, Lenexa has offered to pilot.</p>	
Provider Numbers	Melody		Please send Melody your provider totals for each certification level. This is what will be used for OMD budget.	
OMD Website	Melody		We will be eventually switching our website to a county hosted website. External users will still be able to access the site. This is information only and more details will be coming when we get closer to going live.	
Next Meeting			January 23, 2023	
Adjournment			1446 hrs	