

Minutes

Pre-Hospital Care Operations Committee Meeting

January 25, 2018

American Heart Association

1. Introductions.

Larry Bennett, UC Fire Science
William Black, Forest Park Fire Department
Erik Blevins, Norwood Fire Department
Troy Bonfield, West Chester Fire Department
Mike Books, Loveland-Symmes Fire Department
Joshua Borkosky, UC College of Medicine
Jim Burks, VA Medical Center
Dustin Calhoun, MD, University of Cincinnati
Tom Charlton, MD, Mercy Health
Nancy Coomer, Academy of Medicine of Cincinnati
Kevin Cooper, Mercy Health Clermont
Tom Dietz, Mercy Health
Lauren Duffy, Mercy Rookwood/The Jewish Hospital
Pam Erpenbeck, Good Samaritan Hospital/Western Ridge, Green Township Fire & EMS
Dane Fienning, Norwood Fire Department
Amy Graham, American Heart Association
Craig Haehn, Hamilton County Public Health
Mike Hoh, Mercy Mt. Orab/Williamsburg EMS
Michelle Igo, Mercy Health Mt. Orab
Andy Ihle, Delhi Township Fire Department
Randy Johann, Bethesda North Hospital
Mark Johnston, The Christ Hospital
Debra Jump, University Air Care
Andy Kalb, Forest Park Fire Department
Curt Kercheval, Mercy Hospital Fairfield
Alexander Kuhn, American Heart Association
Jeremy Lane, Atrium Medical Center
Peter Landry, Physio-Control
Donald Locasto, MD, Cincinnati Fire Department
Dan Mack, Miami Township Fire & EMS
Jennifer MacRae, Mercy Anderson
Jennifer Mason, Ft. Hamilton Hospital
David Miller, Cheviot Fire Department
Darren Mooney, Green Township Fire & EMS
Edward Otten, MD
Todd Owens, Reading Fire Department
Shane Packer, Colerain Township Fire Department
Carter Pittman, UC Health
Kevin Richards, Springfield Township Fire Department
Kevin Scheuerman, Madeira/Indian Hill Fire Department
Joe Stoffolano, Central Joint Fire/EMS District
Tom Wagner, City of Fairfield Fire Department
Tom Wolf, Montgomery Fire Department
Bryan Young, St. Bernard Fire Department

Dr. Donald Locasto called the meeting to order.

2. Minutes.

Minutes from the November 16, 2017 meeting were approved.

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3. Old Business.

Dr. Locasto reported that the revised site visit form is close to being finalized. He said it was tested on the recent Montgomery Fire Department site visit and worked very well.

4. Presentations/Updates.

Todd Owens reminded everyone that drug license renewals are due March 31; he's available to help with the process if needed.

5. Protocol Subcommittee.

Dr. Calhoun reported on the recent Protocol Subcommittee meeting, indicating subcommittees will be used to work on different areas of the protocol. He said the following issues have been proposed, either for new protocols or revision of current ones: nitroglycerine usage, sepsis, crush injuries and spinal immobilization. Dr. Calhoun said the Protocol Subcommittee is open to any interested parties.

6. Hamilton County Fire Chiefs.

7. Greater Cincinnati EMS Coordinators.

Jim Burks reminded everyone that the winter EMS symposium is scheduled for February 1 at St. Elizabeth Training & Education Center in Northern Kentucky.

8. Regional Physicians Advisory Board (Region 6 RPAB).

9. Mission: Lifeline Regional STEMI System Update.

10. Continuing Education.

- EMS Coordinators Winter EMS Symposium, February 1.
- The Christ Hospital FETCH Conference, March 16
- Community Paramedicine panel discussion, March 12
- Greater Cincinnati Stroke Consortium outing at Greater Cincinnati Ballpark, May 4

All continuing education information emailed to Nancy Coomer at the Academy of Medicine, ncoomer@academyofmedicine, will be distributed to PHCOC members and put up on the EMS web page, academyofmedicine.org (click on Emergency Services, left side of home page).

11. Membership Concerns.

- Dr. Locasto reported that the ED capability study is in the process of being updated for 2018. He urged all EMS coordinators to make sure their emergency department medical directors respond.
- Todd Owens gave an update on a proposed legislative issue, HB 464, dealing with stroke care. A copy of the bill will be sent out and he asked that any comments, thoughts, etc. be sent to him by Wednesday, January 31.
- Mark Johnston reported that The Christ Hospital received designation as a primary stroke center, and that The Christ Hospital Medical Center/Liberty Township is now open.
- Pam Erpenbeck said there was an active shooter drill planned for Saturday, January 27, at Good Samaritan College of Nursing.
- Dr. Otten reported two updates from the Poison Control Center; paramedics will now have direct contact with the Center, and demographic questions will no longer be asked.

12. New Business.

-Dr. Locasto presented a plaque that will be given to Dr. Hamilton Lempert, who recently resigned as chair of the Protocol Subcommittee and member of the EDS and PHCOC.

13. Future Meetings.

Thursday, March 22, 2018 – Springfield Township (2:30 pm)

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Thursday, May 24, 2017 – Hamilton County Public Health (2:30 pm)

Thursday, July 26, 2018 – Green Township (2:30 pm)

Thursday, September 27, 2018 – Mercy Hospital Fairfield (2:30 pm)

Thursday, November 15, 2018 – need EMS location

Thursday, January 24, 2019 – need hospital location

Thursday, March 28, 2019 – need EMS location

Donald Locasto, MD