

**Northwest Community EMS System
Education Committee Meeting
MINUTES
September 4, 2018**

| Agenda item | Discussion |
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| Call to Order Previous Minutes Review of Agenda | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call to order at 09:01 • May 2018 minutes approved |
| Introductions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kimberly Gaeding – Palatine Rural FPD • Zack Lane – Palatine FD |
| Education Committee Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly CE Review - Just like Heart Attack and Stroke, there are efforts in place for Public Education on Sepsis recognition. There was discussion and it was stressed that I/O placement should be included as an alternate site placement. More training beyond discussion on establishing I/O's on conscious patients. More obstetrics CE is planned. • ECG Assessment – The results of the needs assessment from October 2017 were discussed. There were 100 that chose to remain anonymous on their personal results. The System mean average was 70.3%. There was a significant number of 50% and lower scores. Work will be done to improve the overall ability to identify rhythms. • November SOP's – The new SOP's will have new color coding, easier to read, and more user friendly. |
| System and State Updates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The State has scheduled additional meetings. • More Education Programs need to move to the National Registry level. Over one-half are accredited or are under a Letter of Review. Many programs are still sending students to the State Exam instead of the National Registry Exam. • Springfield – On-line data base now back operational for EMS licensing. • Scope of Practice – Updates and final draft was out in the spring. New National Scope of Practice will be in September 2018 • Education Rules were adopted in July. New Policies will be coming to the System. The Policies will reflect title changes. EMT-B will become <i>EMT</i>; EMT-P will become <i>Paramedic</i>. • There will be a Q & A secession on Illinois testing. State Medical Directors are on-board for NREMT. • There are Lead Instructor classes scheduled for November 2018 in Joilet and Belvidere. • Designated Infection Control Officer classes are scheduled for February 2019. • Classes - The original 65 EMT students is now 58 . Paramedic has 29 students. TNS has 33 students. • MIH – Contracts have been approved. Palatine FD has been approved; waiting for Palatine Rural and Rolling Meadows. Springfield has approved contractual agreements. • King Vision – System training completed in July 2018. There will be a new System video posted. Success rates prior were 83-84%; now 95%. The current Bougie fits a 6.0 tube; the small pediatric Bougie will fit a 4.0 tube; all will be looked into. • Rescue Airway Device - Averaging 88% success rate; findings will be looked into. A pediatric device is being researched. • Cardiac Arrest Committee - Now looking at the <i>Event</i> buttons and how they can aid with documentation. • CARES Registry - Cardiac Arrest docdumentation being looked at and how it compares to State and Nation-wide statistics. There are still some documentation discrepencies. Dispatchers have an integral role in the overall process. Length of pauses in CPR still a concern seen. Dr. Jordan always available for feedback issues. • Fentanyl shortages continue. IV solution shortages are improving. • It was noted that IV success rates are low. Sucessful starts where j-loops are used need to be capped with a Saline Lock. |
| Next Meeting Adjournment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting will be November 6, 2018. • January 2019's meeting will fall on January 1st. The suggestion is to move the meeting to the second Tuesday, January 8th. Reserving a room will be requested. • With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40. |