Northwest Community EMS System
Education Committee Meeting
MINUTES
October 4, 2011

Call to Order Previous Minutes Review of Agenda Introductions Education Committee Meeting •	Call to order at 09:04 September Minutes approved with corrections None C - 2 Policy - Discussion continued from last month on feedback from Agencies and Educators regarding the implementation and acceptance of the new guidelines. So far, feedback has been positive. Some have not noticed much if any change. It was noted that if a change in the format of how CE and testing occurs, it would be best if there was advanced notice before just "surprising" everyone (i.e. SOP test question). Video CE - J. Schneidwind reported that the shoot on September 26 took 4 ½ hours. This was longer than anticipated. Several retakes were required to get the details and accuracy correct. More involvement is still need from other agencies to make this a success. One of the doctors would like to do video of case reviews. The focus for now will be to complete the skills list and develop more era relevant videos. Although not a problem, some of the older videos available are just that old. The content is still applicable, it's just dated. C. Mattera had provided statements encouraging those who participate to prepare before the
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	shoot. This would eliminate restarts. EMT Knowledge Bridge – C. Dunn stated that there was no documentation available yet. Currently, he is working on a summary of Standards from the old guidelines to the new. He also provided a handout for all on the EMT Level Instructional Guidelines. Image Trend CE – System Educators had feedback regarding the simulations that were distributed after the January CE on Image Trend Documentation. Less-than 5% had completed the practice runs. It was reported that many of the Agencies did not even see the simulations distributed. Some received them and did not complete. Some did distribute, but never followed-up if it was completed. Disappointment was expressed that many did not take advantage of this education. Many Agencies had already implemented Image Trend software prior to the CE. There is currently a mix of those who are proficient with the program verses those who still take extended time to complete reports. Peer Educator - It was asked when would there be Peer 3 and 4 classes. Currently, the focus is to complete Peer I and 2 and once there are adequate numbers at the Agencies, move onto 3 and 4,
System and State Updates •	Dr. Ortinau reported that there are State public hearings on the future of EMS being conducted. The 1 st was at Oak Brook. Many active members of EMS were present as well as representation from the Fire Chief's Association. There will be 15 – 20 additional hearings around the State next year. LGH has been approved to be a resource hospital. How soon is still in questions. They would remain in Region 9 because of their geographical location. The Region 9 Stroke Committee met. There was representation from 5 EMS Systems and hospital-based personnel. Dr, Ortinau will be the representative. The group is looking an in-hospital cause of stroke, pre-hospital causes, and recommendations about stroke transportation. The Holiday Breakfast will be on December 8 th @ 08:30. It will be at Chandlers in Schaumburg.
Adjournment •	
Next Meeting •	With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 09:50 Next meeting November and December 2011 have been cancelled; next meeting January 3, 2012