

**Northwest Community EMS System
PBPI Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 5, 2018**

Topic	Discussion	Actions/Follow-Up
Call To Order	Meeting called to order at 0904 hours.	
New Members & Guests	Pam Rosch was introduced; she is starting in the EMS office as one of the new secretaries.	
Minutes & Agenda	Added topic to New Business: ImageTrend conference. Motion to approve August minutes made by Joe, second by Steve. All in favor, motion approved, minutes passed.	
Old Business a. 2018 Sepsis Screen b. 2018 Fentanyl Screen	<p>a. 2018 Sepsis Screen - Discussion about the handful of calls that were singled out of the overall group because they had SBP < 90 and Norepi was not given. Some discussion that followed was how to get the medics to identify when an IV should be established and to take the initiative to proactively start one, before the pt. gets to the point where they are hypotensive. Additional discussion about how we get the main points from education to 'stick' on a more long-term basis. Dialogue about how we improve IV skills, as they have degraded over time due to less frequent use in the field. If anyone is interested in doing clinical time in the ER (to improve their skills), there is a process in the C-2 policy to go about doing that. Some discussion about refreshing the medics on conscious IO starts, as well as utilizing the proximal humerus as a site. Dr. Jordan said it is on the horizon to re-visit IOs.</p> <p>b. 2018 Fentanyl Screen - Jason handed out the results of the screen. Total number of 1019 calls. Much discussion about the difference in routes (IN vs. IV vs. IM) and the effectiveness. Additional discussion about how follow up doses are not being given as frequently as they should.</p>	
New Business a. 2018 Ketamine Screen b. ImageTrend Conference	<p>a. 2018 Ketamine Screen – Ketamine is this month's screen; which Jason will send out to the agencies for completion. Jason discussed some of the screen elements. Minimal discussion. Members should complete the screen by month's end and send the results back to Jason. Dr. Jordan mentioned how there is still resistance for this medication, in particular for excited delirium. There still remain a lot of dosing questions, how to give it, etc.</p> <p>b. ImageTrend Conference - A few members went to the ImageTrend conference this year. Palatine medic gave his debrief. ImageTrend university (online) is an invaluable resource for any questions related to the software program. Power tools were another big topic. You can take power tools and put them into 'situation tools,' which can simplify documentation immensely. Additionally, they are meant to be used in real time (bedside charting), to expedite documentation. Some discussion followed.</p>	Jason will send out to group once finished. Members should complete screen and send back to Jason by end of month.
System Updates	New paramedic class just started this past week. 29 students. Joe will be bringing PCRs to PBPI sometime in the next month or two for us to review their documentation. Anyone interested in helping out with labs should contact the system. EMT class is underway as well. 55 students this year. Susan voiced pleasure in the crop of system entry students that have been coming through the past handful of classes. It reflects on the agencies doing a good job preparing their medics to pass the skills lab.	

From the floor / Closing remarks	Joe informed members that we should have received something from the system regarding en route times. A handful of agencies have errant en route times, so please have their coordinators or other administrators, go in and update the times to reflect accurate numbers. Some members brought up that they are hearing a lot of complaints on the daily glucose monitor checklists. It is not based on the manufacturers guidelines, but following the requirements of (CLIA). The system's perspective is that since these are new monitors we want to put them through the testing to verify they are accurate and there are no significant issues with them.	
Adjournment	Next Meeting – Wednesday, Oct 3, 2018 Motion to adjourn by Steve, second by Jeremiah. Motion granted, meeting adjourned at 10:44am. Minutes respectfully submitted by: Nichole Junge, RN, EMT-P	