

**Northwest Community EMS System
Research and Development Committee
Approved MINUTES March 1, 2023**

Topic	Discussion	Actions/Follow-Up
Call To Order	The meeting is being held in a hybrid fashion, with an in-person option available at Buffalo Grove Fire Department Station 26 and an online option available which permits members to fully participate via their computers or using their phones. Meeting called to order at 11:08.	
New Members	N/A	
Guests	N/A	
Minutes & Agenda	Agenda & Minutes was sent out prior to meeting.	<p>Addition made to Agenda to add Galleri Cancer Test.</p> <p>No additions or revisions made to minutes.</p> <p>Motion made to approve January minutes & agenda by Z. Way. Seconded by B. Johnson. Minutes & agenda approved unanimously by R&D committee.</p>
<u>Old Business</u> <u>Vascular Doppler Probe (T. McIntyre, HEFD)</u> <u>Metered Flow Devices (S. Bagdade, MPFD)</u> <u>Ambu BVM with Integrated ETCO2 (C. Mattera, NCH)</u>	<p>Will be removed from future consideration. New options will be considered by the committee going forward.</p> <p>NWCEMSS will not be moving forward with metered flow devices. Technology bears watching to see if any new products are made available that are more accurate.</p> <p>Samples handed out to members in attendance. BVM is compliant with all cardiac monitors, would eliminate one part of the "tower of power", no issues with ResQpod and has integrated PEEP and HEPA filter. This is the adult only size. Aggressive pricing presented to system from Henry Schein, will need to work with all resource hospitals to have this adopted.</p>	<p>No action needed at this time.</p> <p>No action needed at this time.</p> <p>Motion made to by B. Johnson to add BVM to optional drug & supply list. Second by Z. Way. Motion approved unanimously by R&D committee.</p>
<u>New Business</u> <u>EMS World Expo Attendance (S. Renshaw, BGFD)</u>	Z. Way volunteered to attend the conference as the representative from the R&D committee.	Scott will work with Zach to make the necessary reservations.

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<p><u>Benchmarking Trip to St Charles (Missouri) Fire Department (S. Renshaw, BGFD)</u></p> <p><u>IV Nitro (C. Burnette, WFD)</u></p> <p><u>Galleri Cancer Test (C. Mattera, NCH)</u></p>	<p>Scott met the District Chief of EMS for the St. Charles (Missouri) Fire Department at the EMS World Expo in 2022. Members of the system were invited to travel to benchmark their operations. Aiming to travel for 1-2 days towards the end of May/early June. Will be looking for volunteers to make the trip once dates are finalized.</p> <p>Presentation made by Carson Burnette from Wauconda. Great presentation with lots of very good info. Discussion regarding the benefits of having IV Nitro. Dr Jordan is open to the idea of adding IV Nitro in the future but we have to look at a lot of things first, namely our compliance with the current CHF SOP.</p> <p>Brought to the committee by Connie. The test states that it can test for up to 50 different kinds of cancers with a simple blood draw. Not endorsed and outside the purview of the R&D committee but felt that the information was worth sharing with the system agencies.</p>	<p>No action needed at this time.</p> <p>Tabled for future consideration.</p> <p>Scott to forward information to all committee members.</p>
Open Session	<p>R&D members consensus was to encourage members to continue to bring products forward. This open atmosphere has shown to be welcoming to anyone to present an item for initial interest and evaluating if further investigation would be warranted.</p>	
Adjournment	<p>Next Meeting 5/3/2023 Motion to adjourn: B. Johnson Second: K. Harris - All in favor. Motion granted. Meeting adjourned at 12:37.</p> <p>Minutes respectfully submitted by: Zachary Way & Scott Renshaw</p>	