

**Northwest Community EMS System
Research and Development Committee Minutes
Wednesday, March 5, 2025**

Topic	Discussion	Actions/Follow-Up
Call to Order	The meeting is being held in a hybrid fashion, with an in-person option available at the 901 Building and an online option for those unable to attend in-person. Meeting called to order at 1030 hours by Scott.	
New Members & Guests	No new members or guests present.	
Minutes & Agenda	Motion to approve January minutes & March agenda made by T. Hayes, second by M. Sigler. All in favor. Motion granted; minutes/agenda approved. No changes or additions to made.	
Old Business a. OneDose (C. Mattera, NCH) b. Ultrasound (B. Bosco, PFD) c. Glucometer (M. Jordan, NCH) d. EMS World Expo (M. Jordan, NCH)	a. OneDose: Setup of the OneDose application is complete. Beta testing has started and will run through March 24 th . Looking for additional Beta testers, send login info to all EMSC's and committee members. Please send all feedback to Scott. b. Ultrasound: Dr. Jordan gave an update on the status of the trial program at Palatine. Scott thanked all the groups for providing info on their respective devices that they researched. Data from research will be compiled into a chart for comparison purposes and presented to Dr. Jordan for review. A list of criteria will be finalized and devices will be identified to be added to D&S lists after the trial is complete. c. Glucometer: Scott to follow up with Henry Schein to verify that they have enough meters for NCH agencies. Agencies will be able to start ordering new meters on 4/1, 5/1 will be the live date. Scott will create a reference guide on how to place orders. c. EMS World Expo: Discussion on how many members to send to the conference. Pricing has been released, early bird pricing ends on 5/9.	a. OneDose: Beta testing login info to be sent to all committee members. Kourtney/Bill working on roll out education. b. Ultrasound: Scott will pull data from group research into a chart for Dr. Jordan to review c. Glucometer: Scott will work on creating a reference guide for agencies to use when placing orders for the new meters d. EMS World Expo: Nothing needed at this time.

New Business a. OneDose Beta Testers (S. Renshaw, BGFD) b. Infusion Wish List (M. Jordan, NCH) c. TraumaGel (B. Bosco, PFD) d. Binder Transfer Sheet (S. Renshaw, BGFD) e. May Meeting Date (S. Renshaw, BGFD)	a. OneDose Beta Testers: Discussion on beta test process, beta testing will run through 3/24. Will share beta login info with EMSC's and committee members. b. Infusion Wish List: Dr. Jordan asked the committee to identify a wish list of uses for the Sapphire pump. Not all medications will be adopted, looking for ideas. Committee had a discussion on possible uses of the pump and identified several wish list medications; Fentanyl, Ketamine, Versed, Nitro, Epinephrine, Antibiotics, Blood, Verapamil, and Rocuronium. c. Trauma Gel: Tabled for May meeting d. Binder Transfer Sheet: Binder transfer sheet is a low friction sheet that is placed on the cot mattress, under the patient, and used to help slide the patient from the cot to the hospital bed. BGFD received a demo of the device and will be trialing it on A26. Discussion about limitations of the device as it can only be used from the cot to the bed, where there are times when crews transfer patients from their bed to the cot (ie. Nursing homes). A. Zambrano stated that Superior uses the Z-Slider, which is a low friction sheet that does not attach to the cot and can be used for both moving the patient from the bed to the cot and cot to bed. It is single use and comes in a box. Adam will bring a sample to the May meeting for demo. e. May Meeting Date: S. Renshaw will be out of town and unable to attend the May meeting on its regularly scheduled date of 5/7. Request to move the meeting to Wednesday, 5/14 at 10:30. Discussion about conflict with other scheduled meetings and accommodations to be made.	a. OneDose Beta Testers: Beta login info to be shared by Scott b. Infusion Wish List: Committee had discussion about wish list medication to be used with the Sapphire pump. List was shared with Dr. Jordan. c. TraumaGel: Tabled for May meeting d. Binder Transfer: No action needed at this time. A. Zambrano will bring a sample of the Z-Slider to the may meeting. e. May Meeting Date: May meeting will be moved to 5/14 at 10:30
Open Session	Reminder that there is an opening for the secretary position. If interested, please contact Scott. None	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting made by T. Hayes, second by E. Johnson. All in favor. Motion granted; meeting adjourned at 11:29 Minutes respectfully submitted by: S. Renshaw	