



Brazos Valley Regional Advisory Council
Pre Hospital Committee Meeting
December 4th, 2008
St. Joseph Regional Health Center
Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1730 by Donna Gomez, Vice Chair.
Chairperson Kevin Deramus is absent from tonight's meeting.

2. Approval of Minutes

The October minutes were approved by a motion from Matt Rushing and a second by Andrew Davis.

3. Discussion of CQI Parameters

A copy of the Regional Trauma QI abstracting form was provided. This is the third draft and will be submitted for approval during general session. It was noticed that this form is not listed as an action item on tonight's general session agenda, so the form will be tabled until February general session meeting for approval.

4. Clinical Induced Hypothermia Update

No update provided

5. Update on EPR Committee Meeting

Discussion was made regarding PPE training for agencies. If any agency needs PPE training they need to contact Kevin Deramus. Agencies were reminded that they must have gone through the training in order to utilize the PPE provided to them.

6. Update of Regional CPAP Initiative

The CPAP units have been received and dispersed throughout the region with the exception of one service. Implementation is targeted for December 31st. Brad Blevins will be coordinating trainings for the hospitals. Andrew Davis discussed utilizing a split quick-connect for CPAP for wall use on the ambulances. Interested parties can contact Andrew Davis for more information.

7. Discussion of STEMI and Hypothermia Workgroups

Mrs. Gomez discussed developing workgroups for STEMI and Hypothermia to move forward with these projects outside of the hour pre-hospital meetings. Interested parties that would like to sit on these workgroups are encouraged to contact Kevin Deramus or Donna Gomez.

Ms. Poteet expressed her concern for hypothermia in regard to her service's protocol for transporting arrest patients to the closest facility, in her situation this facility would most likely be Farfield. Ms. Gomez recommended talking to the director of nursing about supporting this treatment. Andrew Davis also offered assistance in getting the facility on board

8. Open Forum

Andrew Davis expressed concerns of stand alone facilities being built in South College Station. Bypassing St. Joseph and CSMC because the patient requested being transferred to one of these stand alone facilities was discussed as an issue for patient care.