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**Virginia Office of Emergency
Medical Services
Regulation and Policy Committee Meeting
Minutes**

05/05/2005 03:00 PM The Place, Innsbrook

EMS Contact

Mike Berg/OEMS

Attendance

Committee Members

Coan Agee
Gary Critzer
Art Lipscomb

Donald Barklage Jr
Robert Crowder III
Jim Chandler

Edward Brazle
David Hoback

Absent

Staff

Mike Berg

Warren Short

Melissa Doak

Others

Sam Dahl
Ed Rhodes

George Lankford

Jennie Collins

Topic/Subject

Discussion

Recommendations, Action/Follow-up, Responsible Person

Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order 2:59 PM.

Review & Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes for the February 3, 2005 meeting was approved as distributed. The March 25 work session minutes were approved as distributed.

Unfinished Business

1. Reference Documents

1. The Chair reviewed the historical aspect of this matter with the original reference to the proposed Medications and Procedures schedules proposed by the Medical Direction Committee. With the guidance of the Attorney General's Office, a document that carries the enforcement and weight of the Regulations must submit to the same NOIRA process as Regulations. Procedures without enforcement authority can be referenced as a Guidance Documents and not referenced within the Regulations.

1. No action required, information only.

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| 2. Quality Management | 2. Understanding that OEMS has complete access to any materials from any licensed EMS agency, a committee was formed to develop language regarding discoverability issues (individual and aggregate) for inclusion within the Regulations. | 2. A sub-committee was formed with Sam Dahl and Bob Crowder from the Regulation and Policy Committee and Jon Donnelly and Connie Purvis from the Executive Director's Group to craft proposed language. |
| 3. NOIRA Update | 3. Staff reported at the upcoming Board of Health meeting, the following items will be presented for their approval: removal of wheelchair regulations (Code of Virginia change), removal of AED registration (Code of Virginia change), remove Activated Charcoal as a required equipment, remove 12 VAC 5-31-700 (6)(a)(b), possession of a firearm and, add language to 12 VAC 5-31-1610 regarding the Nursing Pact (Code of Virginia change). Staff will also present the proposed regulations for the FARC/RSF and Regional Council Regulations for their approval. | 3. Once approved, dates and regional locations will be established for public hearings for final promulgation of the regulatory changes. Committee members are asked to avail themselves to those hearings near their home areas. |

New Business

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| 1. SB1146/HB2238, specifically Civil Penalties | 1. Areas of discussion include the assurance of due process, defining the collection process (individual versus agency and entities). | 1. Staff to review the Board of Pharmacy and other state agencies who impose civil penalties. Staff to draft language based on research for next committee meeting. |
| 2. 12 VAC 5-31-1630 Voluntary inactivation of certification | 2. A historical discussion outlined the implementation and the current challenges with this regulation. Several committee members felt this was a local issue and not one for the regulations. | 2. Committee members as asked to review and determine one of tow items, is this an issue? If the answer is yes, then review the proposed draft regulation submitted by Warren Short. If no, then the regulation will be removed. Comments should be forwarded to OEMS staff who will share with the Committee prior to the next scheduled meeting. |
| 3. Motor Medic Program | 3. At the last General Assembly, legislation was proposed to allow a pilot of a "motor medic program". It has been placed back into committee. Several challenges were identified to implement such a program and the "list" of other similar programs that may develop. | 3. The Committee has taken this subject under advisement. |
| 4. Medevac | 4. Staff reported on ongoing efforts of the Medevac committee to review and revise their regulations. There is a tight time line on their work with anticipation to submit a proposed product to the Advisory Board this fall. | |

Adjourn
Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM

Date: August 4,2005
Time: 3:00 PM
Location: The Place, Innsbrook