

# COGF EMS Advisory Committee

## MINUTES

14JUN2011

1400-1600

GFFR TRAINING CENTER

MEETING CALLED BY	EMS Administrator
TYPE OF MEETING	Quarterly
FACILITATOR	Dr. Dave Simpson
NOTE TAKER AND MINUTES	Dirk Johnson
TIMEKEEPER	Rolex
ATTENDEES	Dirk Johnson-GFFR, Scott Schandelson-Benefis, Lauri Jackson-Benefis, Justin Grohs- GFES, Bill Hunter-GFPD, Dr. Dave Simpson-MD, Steve Hester-GFFR

### Agenda topics

#### ACCEPT LAST MEETINGS MINUTES

DISCUSSION	Roll was taken and as noted above in attendees. Read and accepted last meetings minutes.		
CONCLUSIONS	Motion to accept minutes by Dirk Johnson and was seconded by Steve Hester. All in favor minutes accepted.		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None			

#### LIFE SAVE RATIO

ALL

DISCUSSION	Discussion took place on ways for the EMS system to establish parameters which show the efficiency of the COGF EMS system. With confusion on “Life Save Ratio” the committee established that the parameters should be named “Life Sustained Ratio”.		
CONCLUSIONS	Starting on a small scale, the Committee desires to discover if EMS intervention provided patients a sustainable or improved condition upon arrival to the ER. Review shall include the entire EMS system from dispatch time to patient arrival at the ER.		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Query cardiac arrest patients from Jan. – Jun 2011.		Lauri Jackson, Scott Schandelson	Next Meeting. Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2011

DISCUSSION	Dispatchers provide over the phone CPR instructions. Currently dispatchers use a CPR instruction book or computer program to provide CPR instructions. . With the inception of the EMD guide cards the CCCDC requested to place the CPR instruction within the EMD cards.	
CONCLUSIONS	Print and format the CPR guidelines that are currently on the computer and incorporate them into the EMD guide cards. This will increase the efficiency and effectiveness of dispatchers while providing EMD-CPR assistance.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Develop CPR Cards for EMD guide books	Bill Hunter, Dirk Johnson	ASAP

## RADIO CALL SIGNS

DIRK JOHNSON

DISCUSSION	Numerous emergency vehicles are designated as “1”, Eng. 1, Medic 1, Rescue 1 Utility 1; the radio operator needs to allow time for the repeater to kick in prior to speaking. This will alleviate confusion between call signs.	
CONCLUSIONS	Remind all personnel EMS/Fire/Dispatch to key the PTT button, wait a second and then begin the transmission. .	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Brief each organization on radio discipline	Managers	ASAP

OBSERVERS	ALS = Advanced Life Support, ASAP = As Soon As Possible, CCCDC = Cascade County Consolidated Dispatch Center, EMS = Emergency Medical Service, CC = Cascade County, DES = Disaster & Emergency Services, GFFR = Great Falls Fire Rescue, QA/QI = Quality Assurance & Quality Improvement. COGF=City of Great Falls, GFES= Great Falls Emergency Services, CCHD= Cascade County Health Department, GCS= Glascoe Coma Scale, ER Emergency Room	
RESOURCE PERSONS	Dirk Johnson	
SPECIAL NOTES	Public comment requested- no public comment given, motion to adjourn Dr. Simpson 2nd by Dirk Johnson	