

COGF EMS Advisory Board

MINUTES

MARCH 22ND, 2011

1400-1600

GFFR TRAINING CENTER

MEETING CALLED BY	EMS Administrator
TYPE OF MEETING	Quarterly
FACILITATOR	Chief McCamley EMS Administrator
NOTE TAKER AND MINUTES	Dirk Johnson
TIMEKEEPER	Casio
ATTENDEES	Bill Bronson- City Commissioner, Jennifer Reichelt- COGF, Randy McCamley- GFFR, Steve Hester- GFFR, Patty Cadwell -Neighborhood Counsel, Lauri Jackson- Benefis, Dr. John Stowers- Benefis ER, Dirk Johnson- GFFR, Ron Scott- GFFR, Bill Hunter- PSAP Manager, Bryan Lockerby- GFFR, Kristal Kuhn-COGF EMP, Will Fleming- GFES, Don Whalen- GFES, Justin Eyring- GFES, Scott Schandelson- Benefis

Agenda topics

ACCEPT LAST MEETINGS MINUTES

[PRESENTER]

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

FIELD TRAUMA DECISION SCHEME

LAURI JACKSON

DISCUSSION	Handouts were given to committee that represent the national “Montana Field Triage Decision Scheme.” Also provided was a research document from the College of National Surgeons, which was accepted and published by the Center for Disease Control. The National field guide was more for urban areas and did not address the issues of rural Montana. By definition Montana does not have large urban areas. The State and Regional Trauma Committees from the national triage scheme crafted the Montana Field Trauma Scheme. This document “triages” who stays at a smaller medical facility and who gets transported to the highest level of care (level designated trauma center) medical facility within the trauma system. The state trauma committees would like to adopt the trauma
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	scheme by June for all state cities and counties.		
CONCLUSIONS	This field guide will have a greater affects on the smaller community hospitals and will have less affect on the COGF EMS System. Lauri Jackson would like the document reviewed and critical feedback provided.		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Review document and advise Lauri Jackson		Any	June 2011

EMD

CHIEF MCCAMLEY

DISCUSSION	Dispatcher training has been completed and EMD system has been implemented. Congrats to Captain Ron Scott for all his hard work in developing the COGF EMD system and Engineer Mike Loy for assisting him and training all the CCCDC dispatchers. The most significant impact of the EMD system has been the emphasis on community safety. National statistics have shown that public safety apparatus that respond with lights and sirens (Code III) significantly increase the risk to the community. By implementing the COGF EMD system Code III responses have been significantly lessened. The EMD cards are a tool used by dispatchers to dispatch emergency personnel on a two tiered system. Emergency vehicles are either dispatched to a “Medical Emergency” (emergent medical response with lights and sirens) or a “Request for Medical Service” (non emergent medical response without lights and sirens).	
CONCLUSIONS	Once EMD system has been implemented for a few months, data shall be queried to see how the system is working and how it is benefiting the community. Also through the QA/QI process close attention shall be paid to non-emergent response and patient care shall be observed.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Query EMD Data	Medical Directors/Dispatch/GFFR/GFES/Benefis	Ongoing

LIFE SAVE RATIO

CHIEF MCCAMLEY

DISCUSSION	A Brief discussion was held by the Committee on the Life Save Ratio, Scott Schandelson stated that Lauri Jackson will give the Medical Directors a written paragraph covering life save ratio for their approval.		
CONCLUSIONS	Tabled until next meeting. Motion to table by Dirk Johnson 2 nd by Scott Schandelson		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

Lauri Jackson provide Life Save Ration information to Medical Directors	Lauri Jackson/Dr. Simpson/Dr. Stowers	By next meeting June 14 th , 2011
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EXERCISE ON STRATEGIC NATIONAL
STOCKPILE

KRISTAL KUHN

DISCUSSION	Exercise is Wednesday May 4 th , 2011 from 8-12 at the Montana Expo Park.		
CONCLUSIONS	Cascade City/County Health Department is putting on the exercise that will cover emergency operations during a pandemic or mass casualty disaster in the community.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Each public safety entity shall examine their roles and responsibilities in the event of a real world medical disaster that will require the mobilization of the National Emergency Stockpile.	All	Ongoing	

ABBREVIATIONS	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 City/County Health Department
RESOURCE PERSONS	Dirk Johnson
SPECIAL NOTES	EMS Administrator asked for public comment- no public comment given. Motion to adjourn Steve Hester 2 nd by Dirk Johnson