

City of Great Falls – City EMS System Advisory Board

MINUTES	MAY 20 TH , 2010	1400	GFFR TRAINING CENTER
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MEETING CALLED BY	EMS System Administrator
TYPE OF MEETING	EMS Advisory Committee Meeting
FACILITATOR	Chief McCamley
NOTE TAKER	Dirk Johnson
TIMEKEEPER	
ATTENDEES	Pam Johnstone Dispatch, Greg Doyan-City Manager, Dave Simpson-Medical Director, Randy McCamley-GFFR, Dirk Johnson- GFFR, Steve Hester- GFFR, Ron Scott- GFFR, Will Fleming-GFES, Justin Grohs-GFES, David Kuhn- GFES, Erin Madison-Tribune, Bill Bronson- City Commissioner, Justin Eyring- GFES, John Stowers- Medical Director

Agenda topics

	ACCEPT LAST MEETINGS MINUTES	CHIEF MCCAMLEY
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DISCUSSION	No discussion, minutes approved
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CONCLUSIONS	Motion to accept by Pam Johnstone motion 2 nd by Dr. Simpson and passed unanimously
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

	EMERGENCY MEDICAL DISPATCH	GROUP DISCUSSION
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DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMD overview and explanation provided to board members by member of Ad Hoc Committee 2. Further work needed to finalize EMD call questions and guides 3. The System Medical Director shall review EMD call cards once the Ad Hoc has drafted guides and questions. 4. Guides and EMD questions shall be easy and simple to understand terminology so that 911 callers can quickly answer questions
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CONCLUSIONS	The EMD Ad Hoc committee will schedule another meeting and create a draft EMD guide for review.
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Dr. Simpson will train dispatchers once call criteria and EMD cards are in the process of implementation.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Set up Ad Hoc meeting	Scott Schandelson	ASAP
Review of EMD guides	Dr. Simpson	

		LIFE SAVE RATIO	CHIEF MCCAMLEY
DISCUSSION			
1. The board has a long discussion over a project to clarify and define the system’s Life Save Ratio. Both medical directors could not find an clear defininition or acceptable national standard for “life saved” in regards to pre hospital care and treatment.			
2. The City’s EMS System must have some way to judge outcome and EMS system effectiveness. The board has some ideas but nothing was decided at this meeting			
3. Great Falls Fire Resuce has defined medical rescue as a means of collecting data.			
CONCLUSIONS	This topic was tabled until next meeting. All board members are to consider this issue and offer some ideas for next meeting.		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Bring back ideas to track positive interventions		All	Next meeting
		NON MEDICAL TRANSPORTED TO ER	
DISCUSSION	This issue was tabled indefinitely		
CONCLUSIONS			
Motion to table Dirk Johnson 2 nd Pam Johnstone Unanimously passed.			
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None			
		CLINICAL LETTER/VIAL OF LIFE	
		DIRK JOHNSON	
DISCUSSION	Great Falls Fire Rescue will implement “Vial of Life Project.” This is a National project to provide first responders with a standardized process of find information on patients when they can not speak for themselves.		
	The vial contains vital medical information about medical history, mediations, recent and past hospital visits, doctors, illnesses, DNR if appropriate, emergency contacts and anything else that can assist first responders in an emergency.		
CONCLUSIONS	Vial of Life will piggy back our clinical letter and reach residential patients that are not in a care facility. Kristal Kuhn City of Great Falls Emergency Management Planner will give a Vial of Life briefing to the Advisory Board at next meeting		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
The City Emergency Preparedness Office has begun the process of implementing this program in the City and adjoining communities			

		EFFECT OF BENEFIS/SPECTRUM NON EMERGENT TRANSPORTS	DAVE KUHN
DISCUSSION	Dave Kuhn, President of Great Falls Emergency Services presented to the board a short brief on the effect that other organizations providing non-emergent inter-facility transport may have on the EMS system.		
A meeting with the City Attorney, City Mangers, Fire Chief, Mr. Kuhn and Mr Grohs was held prior to the board meeting. Mr. Kuhn had offered changes to the current ordinance. City Manager Doyon has asked that he (Mr. Kuhn) offer his requests in a letter to his office.			
CONCLUSIONS	Table until later date. Mr. Kuhn will layout his plan to the City.		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None			
		REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT	CHIEF MCCAMLEY
DISCUSSION	Chief McCamley asked for any public comment. There was no public comment		
CONCLUSIONS	Motion to adjourn meeting Johnson 2 nd by Hester		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
OBSERVERS	Commissioner Bill Bronson, City Manager Greg Doyon, Tribune writer Erin Madison		
RESOURCE PERSONS			
SPECIAL NOTES			