

North Carolina Chapter – NAEMSP – DRAFT MINUTES

NAEMSP MEETING – Jan 15, 2016- San Diego, California, 10AM EST

PRESENT: J March, M Chovaz, E Pendley, T Alabdrabalnabi, J Grover, D Swanson, K Baldino, K Woodward, M Quale, D Miller, S Crapo, S Hawkins, J Williams, T Jarrett, S Schreffler, J Stopyra, T Delbridge, M Bachman, J Zalkin, M Malloy, H Stewart, C Hall, D Thomson, J Adams, M Belfi, H Muthersbaugh, R Alson, T Winslow, B Myers

CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

PROVIDER SAFETY/VIOLENCE: Kitch, Jeffrey Myers, Portela, Nelson, Hawkins, Crapo, and March (Board representative), Jarrett (volunteered at current meeting)

AIRWAY EDUCATION/END-TIDAL CO2: J Zalkin (Board rep), M Malloy (Medtronic), H Stewart (Medtronic), Swanson, Nelson, Winslow, March, Kitch, Trowbridge, Underhill

KETAMINE EXPLORATION: March (board representative), Kitch, Stopyra, Mell, Crapo, Winslow

REP TO NCOEMS ADVISORY GROUP TO NCMB: pending

DRAFT MINUTES:

- 1) Welcome, introduction to the group from new chapter president Brent Myers, and outgoing chapter president Juan March
- 2) Approval of Minutes from October 2015 at EM Today– Motion Alson, Second Crapo, approved with no amendments
- 3) Old Business
 - a) Discussion was held regarding any 2015 NC Legislative updates. NCOEMS administrative rules are still under the revision process. Most recent rules revision is available for viewing. Per last NC EMS Advisory Council meeting, state office of ems wants EMS AC to take “one more look” and anticipate these will be voted on/approved by EMSAC at next meeting, with action taken next legislative session. With regard to violence against EMS providers, Dr. Williams reminded the group that HB 327 died in committee, but that violence against providers would continue to be an issue and we may consider as a state how to be prepared the next time data are requested. There are multiple efforts statewide to create reporting mechanisms and capture data. Dr. March also reminded that there was a statewide survey planned (ed. Sent?) to gather information from systems on this issue. Tom Jarrett volunteered to also serve on the provider safety committee, and wanted to address with the committee whether they might also address provider mental health/critical incident stress as a component of provider safety.

- b) Report from the End-Tidal CO2 education subcommittee. Mike Malloy and Holly Stewart from Medtronic (formerly Covidien) assisted Joseph Zalkin in reporting on the status of the material for the statewide capnography education. Material is being created on the “capno academy” website, and is almost ready for committee members to review and comment on. It was clarified that the education will pertain to all providers regardless of which brand cardiac monitor they use. There is a draft video that is specific to each major monitor brand. Creating the video has provided several items for learning and clarification. Next steps for this committee are to review the video and then to create a specific education module (e.g. learning objectives, pre and post-test, merge education with state protocols, etc) with the assistance of the state office and Dr. Winslow. Discussion was held about possibly sharing/broadening the education beyond the state if it is found to be helpful/successful.
- c) Report from the Ketamine subcommittee: Discussion was held regarding ongoing efforts to potentially bring Ketamine into wider use in NC, and how this group can assist Dr. Winslow in going to the medical board for this and other new medications and skills clarifications.
 - i) Discussion was held regarding the chapter choosing a representative to the “Office of EMS NC Medical Board Advisory Group.” This group is made up of a rep from NCCEP EMS committee, Committee on Trauma, EMS administrators group, our chapter, and a member at large. The inaugural meeting was held last quarter, with Jeff Williams being the interim representative from NCNAEMSP. Discussion was held about choosing a rep to serve on this group for a two year term, consistent with board/committee terms. Discussion was held that it may be good to have a non-officer representative given the large number of interested and dedicated chapter members we have. Alternatively, an officer may be more likely to be knowledgeable about issues and/or available. It was decided that a message would go out to the group seeking interested parties to serve in this position, and that the board would choose the representative.

4) New Business

- a) Group Communications: Jason Stopyra and Joseph Zalkin are interested in continuing to assist the group with communications to members and about the group.
- b) Open Forum: Discussed how systems in the state are dealing with treatments and transports to and from birthing centers. It was clarified that Nurse Midwives could not provide direct medical control orders as per state rule, however OB physicians “on scene” may or may not interact with providers on these calls.
- c) DEA: Brent Myers updated the group on the new EMS DEA Bill – HR4365, which has been recently introduced in the US House of Representatives. Bill sponsors include NC Reps Hudson and Butterfield. Individual EMS physicians, providers, and administrators should support the bill.

Roy Alson made a motion that the NCNAEMSP chapter should also write a letter of support from the group, March seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Outgoing secretary Jeff Williams and incoming secretary Jose Cabanas will initiate this effort. (ed: with help from UNC faculty member and chapter member Diane Miller, who expressed an interest in advocacy after the meeting.)

5) Future Meetings of the Membership:

a) EM Today in Greensboro in October, 2016- will confirm date, time, place

6) With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Williams, Secretary