

**TIDEWATER EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.
EMS STROKE PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting Date: October 8, 2020 **Meeting Location:** Virtual **Chaired By:** Dr. Joel Michael **Begin Time:** 2:30 PM **End Time:** 3:28 PM

Minutes By: Valerie Vagts **Members Present:** David Coulling, David Long, Joel Michael, Jason Sarver, Kathryn Funk, Matt Owens, Michael Whitehurst, Scott McClain, Robin McAlpin, Sarah Cullen, Sabrina Werner, Chief Reynolds, Valerie Vagts

Item (Project)	Discussion (Status)	Action Required	Barriers	By Whom/When
Intro / Approval of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Δ Appreciate the patience while finding a new PI Coordinator Δ Last meetings' minutes approval noted 	N/A	N/A	N/A
Review Quarterly Data reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Δ Valerie doesn't have access to the reports yet so Mike pulled the numbers Δ Stroke alert going to receiving centers at 79%, slight improvement over 2019 Δ LKW documentation at 85%, 2019 89% Δ Stroke with glucose reading 98%, 94% in 2019 Δ Stroke on-scene time 63%, 68% in 2019 Δ Numbers may have been impacted by COVID-19 	N/A	N/A	N/A
Medical Incident Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Δ Posterior circular ischemic stroke – Chesapeake Regional patient <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use BEFAST but also have patient touch finger to nose 	N/A	N/A	N/A
BEFAST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Δ Missing evaluation for posterior strokes – are 20-25% of all ischemic strokes 	N/A	N/A	N/A
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Δ Introduce new PI Coordinator – Valerie Vagts Δ Need triennial review of the Stroke Triage PI Plan 2021 by March Δ Revisit Committee membership changes / establish job description 	Yes	N/A	Stroke Committee/ next meeting
Roundtable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Δ Convey concern of stroke during turnover Δ Review the plan once you receive it and provide feedback Δ Need to define data points needed and what to analyze; consistent / durable Δ VB hospitals are all stroke receiving centers Δ Pre-notification is important – RACE scale and possible diversions data points Δ If data is not in green, find out why – verify data integrity Δ Unclear if COVID-19 is causing more strokes – initially people didn't seek help Δ LKW is a challenge in ED since visitors are restricted Δ Neuro imaging is being used more to determine who is eligible for treatment well outside the window – rapid transport is important in all stroke cases Δ Get back to our pre-COVID goals and mission Δ Kai Funk will present case during next meeting 	Yes	N/A	Stroke Committee/ next meeting
Next Meeting	The EMS PI Committee meeting will be held in-person and virtually on December 10, 2020 at 2:30 PM	N/A	N/A	N/A