

Southwest Virginia EMS Council, Inc.
Stroke Triage Committee
Southwest Va. EMS Council
October 19, 2016
3:00 pm

Members Present:

Bri Getta
 Ron Passmore
 Carla Guntter
 Delilah McFadden
 Susan Gill
 Anita Perry
 Claudia Corradino

Staff:

Maggie King

Others:

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Call to Order	Maggie King called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm.	
Welcome & Introductions	Maggie King thanked participants for their attendance at the meeting. Due to teleconference attendees, introductions were held and new members were introduced.	
Approval of draft minutes dated June 18, 2015	The last meeting March 31, 2016 meeting minutes were approved.	
Reports	<p>Claudia reported on Bristol Regional Medical Center. She reported they just had their joint commission review and met all the requirements, but had a few areas of improvement which they are working to improve. BRMC will hold a Stroke Symposium on Nov. 10 which will include a lecture on pre-hospital care called "Time is Brain," which will cover drug misuse and relation to stroke (lunch will be provided). BRMC also reported that they have had an increase in the amount of stroke codes and they are allowing EMS to call strokes in the field (they are educating EMS on this). The use of TPA has increased from 1/month to 8/month.</p> <p>Susan Gill reported for Johnston Memorial Hospital. Their next review will be March 17th. They are currently working with Johnson City Medical Center to determine criteria on who is appropriate to transfer. They are also going to start have meetings with EMS about Stroke codes and patient outcomes. They want to educate EMS on stroke care.</p> <p>Carla Gunter reported for Twin County. She reported they just had their 2nd recertification last month and had 2 opportunities for improvement with the neuro check flow sheets and monitors. They are working to improve those areas. They are allowing EMS to call a stroke code in the field. They have an online neurology network with Forsyth hospital where they have on-screen access to a neurologist. The</p>	

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	<p>door to drug goal is under 45 minutes. They have quarterly meetings with the stroke team and EMS. They want to educate local agencies on their progress.</p> <p>Bri Getta reported for Pikeville Medical Center. They had their recertification last month. They had some opportunities for improvement with their computer system, which they are working to improve. They held their stroke symposium in September, which was a success. They have monthly stroke team meetings and include EMS in those meetings. They are wanting to start a “lunch and learn” program for all of the EMS agencies and to help educate some of the smaller agencies on patient outcome.</p> <p>Anita stated the need for a transfer sheet that includes a timeline, medication dosages and onset of symptoms. A better transfer report allows for better reporting to the receiving hospital. Carla will email out a copy of the transfer sheet they use at Twin County.</p>	<p>Maggie will send out the transfer form from Twin County</p>
Unfinished Business	There was no unfinished business.	
Next Meeting & Work Session	The next meeting will be December 15, 2016 at 5:00 pm	
Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 3:43 pm.	

Respectfully submitted by:

Maggie King

2/6/2017

Approval Date