

**Rules and Regulations Sub-Committee
AMBULANCE SERVICE ADVISORY BOARD
c/o Rhode Island Department of Health
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Meeting Minutes May 2nd 2012 0900 Room 104

1. Establishment of a Quorum

a. The following members were present

i. Thomas Caito Randall Watt

ii. Robert Loyd Jason Rhodes

iii. Leo Kennedy John Potvin

iv. Raymond Medeiros Kenneth Williams

v. Michael DeMello John Pliakas

vi. Stephen Stokes

2. Call to order

a. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Caito at 0907hrs.

3. Appointment of New Recording Secretary

a. John Potvin was appointed the Recording Secretary

4. Correspondence

a. None

5. Old Business

1. QA/QI Toolkit status

The toolkit has been piloted and will be sent out electronically for comment and review prior to the ASAB meeting. Robert Loyd made a motion to send the QA/QI Toolkit to the full Board for approval; the motion was seconded by John Potvin. The motion carried. HEALTH will send Dr. Devin Tasi a thank you letter for his hard work and dedication to this project.

6. New Business

1. Interfacility transfer protocol review

This item was brought before the committee by Stephen Stokes. Mr. Stokes is looking to expand the Interfacility Transfer Protocol to include items such as: wound pumps, TPN, blood products, and classes of medications rather than specific medications. Dr. Williams states that the protocol breaks down into patients and technology. Items might need to be added, but the acuity of patients needs to be considered. It is also suggested that there would need to be more stringent medical control and oversight.

John Pliakas made a motion to establish a workgroup to look at the protocol and make recommendations as they pertain to the items

discussed as well atypical IV solutions and antibiotics. Stephen Stokes seconded the motion, which carried. The workgroup will be comprised of John Pliakas, Stephen Stokes, Michael DeMello, and Dr. Williams

2. Clinical Guidelines for EMT Students

This item pertains to R.I.G.L. 23-4.1-12 and 23-17.6 Michael DeMello will revise and bring this item back to the Rules and Regulations Committee, legislative support is already there for this item.

3. Central Line Optional

HEALTH will address this as an Advisory for now, awaiting revisions to the Interfacility Transfer Protocol.

4. First Responder program

After long discussion this item was tabled pending a review of the EMS Rules and Regulations. Jason Rhodes made a motion to review all of the Rules and Regulations pertaining to emergency medical services. The motion was seconded by Randal Watt, the motion carried.

5. No ALS without BLS provider Rule

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carried.

6. Potential changes due to 2010 AHA Guidelines

7. Discuss full review of Rules and Regulations

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7. Review of Action Items

8. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Robert Loyd and seconded by Randal Watt, the motion carried.

Respectfully,

John H. Potvin

Secretary