

PRC Meeting

Wednesday July 14, 2021 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM **The Committee does not anticipate a need for a closed session during this meeting** **VIRTUAL ONLY**

Meeting called by:	Dr. Timothy Chizmar
Type of meeting:	Protocol Review Committee

PRC Agenda Items			
Call to order		Dr. Chizmar	
Approval of minutes	May minutes		
Announcements	New Protocol Submissions Pandemic Triage Protocol Direct to Triage	Dr. Chizmar	
Old Business	Extraglottic/Supraglottic Airway Crashing Patient	Dr. Anders Dr. Stone/Capt. Burns	
New Business	Induced Hypothermia	Dr. Chizmar	
Journal Club	Hypothermia vs. Normothermia for OHCA Tranexamic Acid Review	Dr. Chizmar	
Discussion(s)			
Adjournment		Dr. Chizmar	

Next Meeting	Wed, September 8 th 9:30-12:00pm	

Updated 7/8/2021 12:30pm

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Meeting Minutes Approved at September 8 PRC Meeting.

Physically Attended: Virtual only

Remotely Attended:

Timothy Chizmar, Michael Reynolds, Janelle Martin, Jeff Fillmore, Matthew Levy, Jennifer Guyther, Tom Chiccone, Roger Stone, Mary Alice Vanhoy, Mark Buchholtz, Rachel Itzoe, Christopher Biggs, Jennifer Anders, Mary Beachley, Patrick Carmody, Kathleen Grote, Melissa Meyers, Kevin Pearl

Guests: Tim Burns, Ben Lawner, Cyndy Wright Johnson, Jill Dannenfelser, Daniel Goltz, Kaytlin Hack, Ben Kaufman, Nadav Korman, Steve White, Michael Millin, Scott Legore, Mustafa Sidik, Kevin Turner, Jeffrey Uribe, Jonathan Wendell, Joe Cvach

Excused: Richard Schenning

Alternates:

Absent: Tyler Stroh, Melissa Fox, Marianne Warehime, Gary Rains

Meeting called to order by Dr. Chizmar at 9:32 AM.

Minutes May 2021 minutes were approved as written.

Announcements:

New Protocol Submissions: Please keep in mind that new protocol proposals should be submitted at least 2 weeks in advance of the upcoming meeting to allow for review. They may be submitted in word document format (new protocol format not required). The submission should contain, at minimum: Indications, BLS care, ALS care, Medical Consultation section. Clinical pearls section is optional.

Pandemic Triage Protocol: The protocol will remain available and documentation module within eMEDS will remain live for now. We will maintain the protocol in place for now, though it currently has low rate of documented usage.

Old Business:

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Direct to Triage: Montgomery County (T Burns and R Stone) and Anne Arundel County (J Cvach, K Turner, J Wendell) presented their data and experience with direct to triage protocols. Overall this has been positive. It was noted that some of the limiting factors were intoxicated patients and those who cannot sit in a chair. There was general consensus that the Direct to Triage protocol be made available on a statewide basis.

Crashing Patient: The protocol proposal will be tabled and re-visited at the September PRC meeting. There were questions regarding trauma vs. medical patients. Would trauma patients be included?

New Business:

Extraglottic/Supraglottic Airway: Dr. Anders (and PEMAC) proposed a modification to the current King LT standard protocol and laryngeal mask airway (LMA) optional protocol. She advocates for supraglottic/extraglottic airways being available in all sizes, including pediatric. There would be an option to use either a laryngeal tube or LMA device. There was general support from the committee for this modification. There was acknowledgement that sufficient time would need to be available for training on new devices. The device would benefit from approval by the jurisdictional medical director. Discussion was held regarding a list of approved devices.

Journal Club: Dr. Chizmar presented two articles. Discussion was held regarding potential future removal of the neuroprotective hypothermia protocol. There was secondary discussion and renewed interest regarding a second-look at TXA, given new data regarding its safety and efficacy for trauma patients in hemorrhagic shock. Both articles will likely form the basis for future protocol modifications.

- 1. Dankiewicz, J et al. "Hypothermia versus Normothermia after Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest." *New England J Med* 2021; 384: 2283-2294.
- 2. Stansfield, R et al. "The Use of Tranexamic Acid (TXA) for the Management of Hemorrhage in Trauma Patients in the Prehospital Environment: Literature Review and Descriptive Analysis of Principal Themes." *Shock* 2021; 53; 3: 277-283.

Next meeting is Wednesday September 8; 9:30am (Virtual).

Adjourned at 12:01 PM (acclamation).