

Vermont District #11

Minutes of Meeting

July 22, 2009

Meeting called to order at 1923hrs by Chairman Carl Matson. The following services were represented Springfield Fire, Ludlow Ambulance, Springfield Hospital, Golden Cross Ambulance, Stratton Mnt Rescue, Londonderry Rescuca, Chester Ambulance, Saxtons River Rescue. Special guests: Dan Manz VT EMS, Jeff Spencer CPCU/ Essex Rescue.

Secretary's Repot:

The minutes from the May 2009 meeting were read.

Motion by Judy Cobb, 2nd Josh Rosenblum to accept the minutes - Motion passed

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's reports for March 2009, May 2009, July 2009 were read.

Motion by Joel Long, 2nd Aaron Sylvester to accept the Treasurer's Report - Motion passed

Medical Director:

Nothing to report

Training:

*Londerry will be holding a First Responder Course beginning September 22 - November 4, Mon & Wed 1830-2030 cost \$150.

*Dist 11 is hoping to hold a Fall and Winter Refresher course.

Old Business:

State wide documentation may be up and running Fall 2009.

New Business:

*Dist 11 VAA dues are due - Motion by Travis Decamp, 2nd Eric Richardson to continue our membership, Motion passed.

*New Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center Radio procedures were presented.

* H1N1 - N95 mask fit testing is needed for all medical presonell. VT EMS will provide the equipment. There also should be a vacination avalible this fall.

*Dist 11 has adopted the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center STEMI protocols.

Dan Manz, VT EMS, to speak on the waiver for Standing Orders for I 03

VT EMS is in support of Dist 11's waiver. They are in hopes of using it as a pilot program to gather documentation for a State wide rule revision.

Dan first talked about the future of EMS education and certification Nationaly. EMS education will see a shift from cirriculum based to core content based. The core content will be broken up into Scopes of Practice (certification levels): 1-Emergency Responder, 2-EMT, 3-Advanced EMT, 3-

Paramedic. There will no longer be a national DOT curriculum. Instead the EMS educator or teaching facility will build their own curriculum that teaches the core content and skills. The student will then be verified by a national standardized exam. This is very similar to the teaching process for nursing and MD. Paramedic programs will be the only program that require a facility to be an accredited teaching facility.

They would like Dist 11 to become the State model of the "Advanced EMT". An Advanced EMT would be similar to the current EMTI-03, with the additional skills of : Suction of an inserted ETT, Pediatric IO access and Nitrous Oxide for pain management. The transition from I03 to Advanced EMT would take the place of ConEd for that recert cycle.

It was determined that Dist 11 would implement in two phases

Phase 1: Pilot program for standing orders for all Dist 11 squads at the EMT I-03 level

Phase 2: Pilot program for Advanced EMT

Phase 1 implementation, September 1.

State EMS will require limited documentation (QA form) It will have basic patient info; age,sex, weight, Indications, Drug, Dose, Route, effects. This will then be reviewed in the ER by MD/PA. This waiver is valid even if a service will transport outside of Dist 11. A training program will be developed and each squad will be responsible for the training of it's staff.

Phase 2, there was some concern over the addition of Nitrous. More info was requested. VT EMS would like implementation 6 months -year.

The addition of Bendryl was discussed. Dr Marassa is in support of the addition to the I03 medications and placing it on standing orders. VT EMS is not willing to add it at this time. They would like Dist 11 to write the Protocol for Bendryl PO.

Jeff Spencer CPCU

Jeff spoke on a service that he offers to EMS services in both the private and public sector. He has available training programs on Fraud/Abuse, HIPPA, Privacy and "Red Flag" rules. He also offers general council with either hourly or fixed fee.

Carl had Jeff's contact info.

Motion by Eric Richardson, 2nd Travis Decamp to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2150hrs

Next Meeting: September 23, 2009 Grafton