

## **Affiliate Meeting Minutes September 23, 2009 (4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of the month)**

There were 21 people in attendance with 11 agencies represented.

Thank you to EA Medical and Vidacare for sponsoring the meeting.

They demonstrated the EZ IO and discussed setting up some training. Greg said that the procedures should be approved mid Oct. with training towards the end of the month. The cost of the drill is \$295. Hospitals will restock for the ambulance if used. They also passed out some flyers on finger guards to use in your pulse oximeters and multipurpose splints.

### **Committee Reports**

**Communication** – Andy Stubblefield reported that by 2013 all agencies will need to be compliant with the narrow band. He reported that any radios bought after 2000 should be compliant. Some frequencies will change all together. They will soon be asking what kind of radios every agency has in order to make the changes in a coordinated effort.

**Strategic Planning** – met and made some slight revisions to the implementation plan.

**Education** – all classes are posted on the website

PEPP Renewal

AMTRAK Emergency Response Class

**EMS/Hospital Relations** – Linen seems to be an issue at OSF. The closet is locked and no one seems to have a key. Dr.'s don't seem to be meeting the ambulances like they used to.

**Data Collection** – Code Red already discussed. 7 agencies have not done the update

**Protocol/Policy/Procedures** – working on updating the FAST form, working on EZ IO procedures

**Equipment Evaluation** – looking at EZ IO to replace the Bone Injection Gun

**Quality Council/QI Program Update** – Chart reviews and working through documentation issues.

**Hospital Preparedness** – disaster exercises were held throughout McLean County during Sept. 17-19 Hospital drills went well. Judy Mowery reported that the Heyworth exercise went well with a few issues. Mark Doty reported that there were some issues at Leroy they are addressing.

### **Old Business**

Greg reminded everyone that Code Red issues should be reported to them immediately. If you are not getting a phone call back or the issues aren't getting addressed please notify the EMS office

### **New Business**

EMS Update

- Ryan White bill moving forward in Congress that will allow notifications for exposures to EMS providers
- H1N1 Q&A handout was passed out and will be placed on the website
  - Discussing setting up special vaccine clinics for EMS providers
  - If the Governor and IDPH approve an expanded scope of practice for EMT-Intermediates and Paramedics to be able to administer vaccinations, special training will be required before EMS providers will be able to assist at mass vaccination clinics
- AED Heartsaver grant information was already emailed to all agencies

Vote was held to postpone the next meeting to January 27, 2010 at 1830 (meal will be served) due to holiday season.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30