

**PC EMS COUNCIL
TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES
May 30, 2018 – 9:00**

Attendance:

Membership Attendance Roster on File.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Patsy Maloney. Introductions were made around the room. Previous meeting minutes were provided, voted on and accepted as written.

Unfinished Business:

Nothing on agenda.

New Business:

Nothing to report.

Unscheduled Business:

Norma provided a review of some new items coming down from the State:

1. For people who want to keep up their National Registry, Pierce College offers a Refresher. They must go through skills verification. The NREMT form doesn't have all the Washington skills, so DOH has created a new form (still in DRAFT format) which Norma went over, explaining various parts. Angie suggested clarifying the title to be "for NREMT only".

2. The State is taking to the MPD Meeting the proposal that SGA become a standard to be added to all initial WA EMT courses. There was much discussion on this subject.
 - Mike questioned how this would impact the EMT course in the addition of hours.
 - Angie responded that there are about 5 hours of instruction in her SGA course; but included in an EMT course, the SGA as an adjunct, wouldn't add much.

Norma also explained that the State is trying to streamline their processes, by making SGA a part of the EMT course, to save time and extra paperwork.

- Tim asked if all EMTs will have to take a new EMT course to become certified in SGA.
- Angie stated that all of their initial EMT courses now include SGA.
- Tim asked how we will maintain it and Angie replied that SGA will be a part of the OTEP program.
- Ryan Gerecht asked if the State's requirement will be general rather than specifying a certain brand. The answer: it will be general.

Norma requested opinions on including SGA in the future EMT courses.

- Ryan Gerecht said using SGA is the optimal treatment and most desired for long transports rather than simple BVM.
- Chris Rock said there will be issues with new EMTs who have SGA certification and old EMTs who do not.

Norma replied that hopefully, we can get it added into the OTEP plan to certify people who don't have it versus having to take a stand-alone initial SGA course.

3. The Travis Alert Act, Senate Bill 1258, is to help first responders (LE, Fire, EMS) become aware of persons with special needs or disabilities. A curriculum has been written and designed to be taught as a one-time training. Each section covers a different type of disability. The plan is to put it on video and have the course presented by experts. The curriculum should be ready for review by July.

4. In regard to OTEP, NREMT has new advanced level skill sheets, as of June 1, 2018.
 - Chris commented that he didn't see big changes to the skill portion, mostly typos fixed and clarification for evaluators.

Announcements:

1. Cynde announced the Mary Bridge Base Station at 9:00 am on June 13th. The subject will be window falls, since there have been a lot of kids falling from windows recently. Cynde will have window stops for EMS personnel to distribute to the community.
2. EPFR will be having an Initial PAM Course on June 26th.
3. Norma updated that TCC faculty are almost done with the PAM curriculum update. The update will be sent to the original PAM faculty and a few others to review and provide input. Hopefully the updates to the curriculum will be ready in July or August.

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned @ 9:55 am.