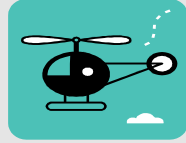


Aero Medical Transport Task Force



Group II Minutes September 12, 2007

Note: Refer to Main Task Force Minutes

Membership:

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EMSA Staff:

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Listing of Assigned Subjects (from Task Force)

- Medical Control to address accreditation, cross-jurisdiction medicine (includes out-of-state/country); Role of Provider/LEMSA Medical Directors
- Professional Roles to address Scope of Practice for Flight Nurse, EMT- Paramedic, EMT I; Board of Registered Nursing issues
- Quality Improvement
- Education

Cross-Jurisdictional Medicine

Discussion:

An example of how the private industry addresses cross-jurisdiction issues:

- Provider Medical Director is responsible for development/approval of protocols
- Protocols/Policy are discussed with LEMSAs Medical Director for agreement
- LEMSAs policies are followed based on point of origin of call
- Destination decision is based on location of facility's LEMSAs

Issues:

- Should there be a regional/state approach to care and treatment?
 - ✓ There are different crews working for the same provider that follow different policies based on crew location
 - ✓ How should accreditation of Paramedic be handled when they work in multiple LEMSAs areas
 - ✓ LEMSAs protocols and Scope of Practice varies from LEMSAs to LEMSAs
 - ✓ Should we develop a state/regional standard with oversight by medical panel with QI

- Should there be a Statewide Scope of Practice for an Air Medic/Flight Nurse? Should it be based on CAMTS standards?
- How should we handle destination policies?
- Oversight responsibility lies with LEMSA Medical Director; collaboration with provider Medical Director needs to exist
- Can mutual aid principles work?
- State needs to provide direction either as a state or regional aero medical transport system

Conclusions:

The majority of the group believe the CAMTS standards should be accepted statewide with further discussion needed for the following points:

- State/local flexibility
- State needs to have strong oversight role
- Do all standards need to be met?
- CAMTS accreditation when possible; CAMTS consultation for providers who cannot be accredited
- Don't dilute the use of Air Rescue in this process
- Careful not to exclude valuable resources
- Who is the assessment team?
- Concern with adopting standards from private entity
- Need to look at problems with CAMTS standards that have been identified

Action items:

- Invite CAMTS representative to next group meeting for Q&A - **Graham**
- Provide group with CAMTS materials (website access/link) – **EMSA**

Next Meetings

October 17, 2007 (10:00am – 3:00pm) at EMSA

Group meeting only

November 7, 2007 (10:00am – 3:00pm) in So. CA

Main Meeting with time for group meeting

January 16, 2007 (10:00am – 3:00pm) in Sacramento

Main Meeting with time for group meeting