



Central Iowa EMS Directors Association
STEMI Task Force – Meeting Notes
Thursday, October 16, 2014, 8:00am
Polk County Emergency Management Office
1907 Carpenter Ave, Des Moines

In attendance:

Frank Prowant, AFD/CIEMSD
Brian Helland, CFD/CIEMSD
David Edgar, WDM/CIEMSD
Tony Sposeto, DMFD/CIEMSD
Luke Groben, Iowa Clinic
Jeri Babb, Mercy

Susan Brown, Mercy
Gary Hemann, Mercy
Matt Klein, Mercy/WHFD/CIEMSD
Crystal Glazebrook-Hurley, Unity Point
Katy Hill, Unity Point
Steve House, Unity Point

1. Data Reports:

September 2014-Data	Mercy	Unity Point	System
# STEMI Alerts	28	15	43
# EMS STEMI Alerts	12	11	23
# Tags utilized	2	5	9
False Positives	0	0	0
Door to Balloon time	57"	66"	

August – September 2014-Data	Mercy	Unity Point	System
# STEMI Alerts	61	37	98
# EMS STEMI Alerts	14	19	33
# Tags utilized	3	8	11
False Positives	0	1	1

a. Discussion:

Services not providing tags – Hospitals will follow up directly with services not providing tags.

2. STEMI ALERT EDUCATION PROJECT/Rural - David Keenan, Unity Point / Susan Brown, Mercy

Goal is to improve the process in the rural emergency rooms on identifying the STEMI patient and initiating the alert through the applicable health system.

Discussion points:

- Joint effort between Mercy and Unity Point. Form and protocol will be the same for both systems.
- Developing a tiered system: Thrombolytic vs cath lab, problem is the community hospitals do not use Thrombolytic very often and often a time delay occurs preparing for an administration.
- Discussion on how we get the message out to the facilities utilizing classroom presentations, webinars and printed materials.
- CIEMSD Operations or Training committee's may be able to assist with implementation of this training.

The committee is continuing to work on:

- Finalize the protocol and form including the brands of both health systems and contact information (One call at both facilities)
- Develop teaching outline and talking points
- Develop implementation strategy

3. Public Education

Discussion:

- a. Goal is to increase the number of AMI's arriving by EMS and decrease the number of walk-in's to clinics and/or emergency departments
- b. Discussed methods of public education currently available at the facilities
- c. Develop strategies for future

4. Next Meeting: Thursday, November 20, 2014, 8:00am, Polk County EMA