



**Central Iowa EMS Directors Association  
STEMI Task Force - Meeting Notes  
Thursday, February 19, 2015, 8:00am**

**In attendance:**

Frank Prowant, CIEMSD/Ankeny FD

Chris Clement, DMFD

Brian Helland, CIEMSD/Clive FD

Maria Decker, Mercy

David Edgar, CIEMSD/Iowa EMS Alliance

Patricia Cavanaugh, Mercy

Matt Klein, CIEMSD/Mercy/WHFD

Crystal Glazebrook-Hurley, Unity Point

Katy Hill, CIEMSD/Unity Point

Heather Maier, AHA Mission Lifeline-Iowa

Tony Sposeto, DMFD

Gary Myers, AHA Mission Lifeline

**1. Mission Lifeline Iowa:** Heather Maier, Director-Iowa and Gary Myers, AHA Mission Lifeline were introduced to the group. Heather and Gary provided an overview of the Mission Lifeline program for Iowa and answered questions from the Task Force. Mission Lifeline will be regularly attending Task Force Meetings.

**2. Unity Point and Mercy to present data reports and elements:** Data Reports were compiled and posted to the CIEMSD Website by Katie Hill. Unity Point and Mercy provided an overview of their reports.

David Edgar questioned if we were tracking “false negatives” STEMI’s, or STEMI’s that were not recognized in the field. Both health systems agreed to look into this tracking.

Discussion on tracking “First Medical Contact to Device” with 90 minutes being the recommended time frame. Other states have defined “First Medical Contact as arrival at facility or EMS arrival with 12 lead capability. We may need to consider this as our definition and begin tracking these times.

**3. STEMI ALERT EDUCATION PROJECT** –Reviewed and discussed the “Draft” Des Moines Metro STEMI Protocol” as presented. Discussion:

- a. Make DNR a ‘consideration’ and not a “Top Priority”.
- b. Consider changing the Heparin IV Bolus to max 5,000 units.
- c. Consider removing “consult with cardiology/cardiologist” from the form. Theory is that waiting a consult may delay time to device or Fibrolytic therapy.

Task force members will review these changes with their facilities and present a final draft at the next meeting.

**4. Next Meeting:** We will cancel the March 2015 meeting in lieu of Spring Break and resume our meetings on Thursday, April 16, 2015, 8:00am, Polk County EMA