



**Central Iowa EMS Directors Association**  
**Thursday, March 20, 2014**  
**STEMI Task Force - Meeting Notes**

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**In Attendance:**

Frank Prowant, Ankeny FD

Brian Helland, Clive FD

Nancy Turner, Mercy

Patricia Cavanaugh, Mercy

Elizabeth Brant, Mercy ER

Susan Brown, Mercy

Matt Klein, Mercy 1/WHFD

Crystal Glazebrook-Hurley, Unity Point

Katy Hill, Unity Point

David Keenan, Unity Point

Kate Ripperger, Unity Point

Jeanne Harmon, Unity Point

Steve House, Unity Point

Tony Sposeto, DMFD

Jim Fox, DMFD

1. Welcome, Announcements and Introductions – Frank Prowant, CIEMSD, STEMI Committee Chair
2. Review minutes from February 20, 2014
3. Case Study – Presented by Unity Point
4. STEMI TAG/CARD – David Edgar, CIEMSD Operations Committee Chair

a. Data Points were reviewed and confirmed

- \* Time of symptom onset
- \* Time of 1<sup>st</sup> medical contact
- \* Time of 1<sup>st</sup> ECG and copy provided
- \* Dispatch time from communications center
- \* Scene times

b. TAG Development

- i. 1,000 Prehospital tag currently in print. Will be distributed by CIEMSD. Need to develop a training tool/instruction sheet to distribute with the tag, (Katy Hill will work on this).
- ii. Hospitals will print their own tags to use in the ER and/or Cath lab. Similar training will be provided to these areas.
- iii. Feedback to services is essential. Consider automatic patient follow-up being sent out to services who complete the tags.
- iv. Goal for implementation of the Tag system is May 1, 2014.

5. Education Component

- a. EMS and Metro Hospitals
    - i. STEMI Tag and Activation Procedure
    - ii. Regular release of information (data/updates/etc...) to all areas involved
    - iii. Consider regularly reporting STEMI Task Force information at Metro ED Meetings
  - b. Clinics and rural hospitals – Discussion on developing education on STEMI Recognition, treatment, transport and communication with the receiving facility.
  - c. Public – Discussion on the need to educate the public on signs and symptoms of a cardiac emergency and to call 911 instead of going to their local clinic or urgent care center.
6. Data Collection Program Tabled to April Meeting
- a. Monthly reporting to Task Force?
  - b. Other?
7. Items/topics/assignments for April meeting
- a. Public and clinic education components
  - b. Training Tool/instructions for STEMI Tag Program (Katy Hill)
  - c. Finalize STEMI Alert Procedure (Frank Prowant)
  - d. April Case Study (Mercy)
8. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 17 , 2014, 8:00am, Polk County EMA