



Virginia Beach Department of Emergency Medical Services



MEDICAL DIRECTION

MEDICAL OVERSIGHT REVIEW BOARD POLICY

PURPOSE: The purpose of this policy is establish a Medical Oversight and Review Board to review and evaluate the pre-hospital delivery of medical care and services to the citizens; collect data; review and recommend protocols; review medical equipment; identify and recommend Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) objectives; and make recommendations concerning city-wide pre-hospital medical operations and training issues to the Emergency Medical Services Chief and Operational Medical Director.

APPLICABILITY: This policy shall apply to all members of the Virginia Beach Emergency Response System.

POLICY STATEMENT: The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Chief shall appoint a Medical Oversight and Review Board (MORB). The medical care administered to patients of the Virginia Beach Emergency Response System will be reviewed for appropriateness and patient outcome by the MORB. The MORB is an advisory committee to the EMS Chief and Operational Medical Director on issues related to pre-hospital equipment and medical care.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The Review Board will be composed of:

- The Deputy Chief of Operations, or his designee.
 - This officer will serve as the Chair of the committee and will schedule all meetings, maintain records, appoint related workgroups as necessary and report to the EMS Chief and Operational Medical Director as needed.

- The following Department of EMS staff:
 - Division Chief responsible for Regulations & Compliance or his designee
 - Representative from EMS Training
 - Continuous Quality Improvement Officer
 - Captain or Senior Paramedic assigned to the Operations Division
- Representative from each of the following Emergency Response System agencies:
 - Virginia Beach Fire Department
 - Virginia Beach Police Department
 - Primary receiving hospitals
- Representative of the Virginia Beach Volunteer Rescue Council
- One “at-large” Virginia Beach EMS active patient care provider to be appointed by the Deputy Chief of Operations

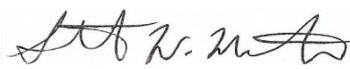
RECOMMENDATIONS

Feedback from the MORB shall be compiled by the chair and shared as appropriate with the EMS Chief, Operational Medical Director and/or other officers of the department in order to implement patient care improvements. Results will be integrated to the greatest extent feasible into training programs and updates to patient care providers in the field.

This policy shall become effective upon approval of the EMS Chief and the Operational Medical Director.

ORDERED:


 _____ 01/25/2017
 EMS Chief Date


 _____ 01/25/2017
 Stewart W. Martin, MD Date
 Operational Medical Director