

Paramedic Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2010

PRESENT

Chief Daryl McNutt
Rich Ellett
Chief Rick Helminski
Nicole Knight
Lt. Glenn Newman
Allison Armstrong
Jeff Nissen
Tony Santiago
Gregory May

REPRESENTING

Whitehouse Fire
Maumee Fire – LS 7
Springfield Fire
Toledo Fire – LS 1
Toledo Fire EMS Bureau
Toledo Fire
Oregon Fire – LS8
Toledo Fire
Springfield Fire – LS10

STAFF

Dennis Cole
Brent Parquette
Al Moenter

Director – Emergency Services
QA/QI
Annex Supervisor

ABSENT

Tracy Stanford
Keith Mooseman
Chief Charles Flack
Mark Briggs

Toledo Fire – LS2
Toledo Fire – LS 3
Toledo Fire – LS 4
Toledo Fire – LS 5
Washington Twp. Fire
Waterville Fire
Jerusalem Twp. Fire
Ottawa Hills

Call to Order

Chief McNutt called the meeting at 9:01 am.

Minute Approval

The minutes from September 13, 2010 meeting were available for review. With no corrections, Rich Ellett made a motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Nicki Knight. Minutes were approved as written.

Training

Brent reported CE comments for September CE were made available for review. Brent reported September's CE reviewed AMA issues, appropriate time to contact Medical Control and cardiac scenarios with skill stations.

October's CE is on 12-lead review and skills stations on pediatrics and OB. No CE in November and December. The CE schedule for 2011 is on the county web site.

Old Business

Budget Items – Nicki reported she wanted to add an item to the wish list. The item is called S.A.L.T. (Supraglottic Airway Laryngopharyngeal Tube). She said it is good for blind intubation and costs half the price of a King Airway. Brent reported he has some but has not talked to Dr. Lindstrom yet. Nicki passed a sample around reporting it is pre-packaged and currently in only adult size.

Speed Sheets – Rich Ellett reported he reviewed the speed sheets and found they only have a three month shelf life.

Chief Helminski asked about purchasing items for next year. Dennis Cole reported we are waiting on reviews of the monitors from Toledo Fire and we have only received pricing from Physio. Dennis also reported Physio has state term pricing and Phillips does not. It may have to go out to bid. A discussion ensued regarding monitors. Glenn Newman reported he has the evaluations from LS1 and 5 and there were pros and cons for the Phillips and Physio, but the paramedics are leaning towards the LP15. Glenn also reported they took a trip to Dayton where the department there was using Zoll. Their comments were “don’t use it” and they have a lot of problems and wish they had the LP back.

Dennis reported on the QA side for the Physio, Brent and Dave liked the LP15.

Dennis asked for recommendations that he can take back to the Policy Board next month. Rich Ellett recommended the county purchase the Physio LP15, which was seconded by Greg May. Motion carried.

Brent said he started a list from last month of items paramedics wanted on the wish list; Infusion pumps, Zofran, power cots, automated CPR devices, portable suction units, speed sheets, monitors/defibrillators and add the SALT airway and bariatric cots. Nicki asked about adding fluid warmers and Rich asked to have Ativan added.

Dennis Cole reported the new life squads will have the inverters put back on. Also the Policy Board approved the purchase of four more vehicles next year. Dennis reported we are looking at bariatric capability as well. There have been times when we have asked for assistance from the private ambulances to use their bariatric cot.

The discussion of when a private ambulance has a patient cotted and a life squad shows up and the concern of ownership of the patient and equipment involved with the transport of the patient. The issue of getting the equipment back to the private ambulance and the losing of time retrieving equipment. Allison recommended that transferring patient to other cot is the easiest way to resolve the issue.

The question was raised about billing of patient when a private ambulance company transports but a Lucas County paramedic rode with them. Brent reported when the patient is transported in the private ambulance, the private ambulance bills.

A discussion ensued regarding calling for assist within the county between different entities. Rick Helminski suggested changing the policy so that EMS dispatch can request mutual aid.

New Business

ePCR – Greg May asked about the ePCR computers, first the Panasonic and DELL and the problems with the DELL and is the County going to stay with the DELLs.

Dennis Cole reported they had a conference call with DELL returning the DELLs back for a refund. DELL asked to be given a couple of weeks to look at the equipment and make it right. They sent a technician who was here last week. Some issues were self generated. The technician addressed all of the know issues. They have been put back in the field to see if the modifications work. We would like to have them in the field for two weeks to trial.

Open Discussion

Trauma patients – Rich Ellett brought up the issue of transporting trauma patients. Rich said they were sent on an injury accident and UTMC closed and St. Luke's Hospital doesn't take trauma patients and why he isn't given the next closest trauma hospital to go to. Brent reported St. Luke's can take minor injury accidents. Paramedics need to declare if they have an adult major trauma or an intermediate adult trauma. A discussion ensued on this topic.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, **November 8th** at 9:00 a.m.

Lucas County EMS
Noncredit Course and Instructor Evaluation
Course: 12-Lead in the ACS, Pediatric & OB
Instructor: Brent Parquette
Course Dates: October 5,6,7,12,13,19,20,26,27, 2010

COMMENTS

October 5, 2010

- Good review on childbirth. Learned more on 12 Leads.
- Informative 12 Lead
- Happy to review 12 Lead interpretation, esp imposters. Great review & explanation; learn & retain more every time around.
- Good session. Informative. Excellent review.
- Great 12 lead portion – always learn something new.
- Brent teaches 12 lead EKG's like no other. Easy to understand & very knowledgeable.
- Excellent.
- Good C.E.
- Good to see aspirin dose changed. Would like to see more case studies that follow patient through d/c. It is helpful for learning. Info for ACS good, but Brent went through slides fast & didn't have time for notes.
- Brent awesome 12 lead class always learn/refresh on things!
- This was a great!! 12 lead review. One of the best CE's ever!

October 6, 2010

- 1) Zoll monitor would be a good choice. 2) Make CVA assessment an intervention more than the step in the "assessment" spot.
- It would be nice if Bill Montire wouldn't be talking in back of room during lecture.
- Thanks for 12-lead review. I always can use it.
- Great 12 lead refresher.
- Excellent lecture!
- Great 12-lead review.
- Great review of 12 leads.
- Good C.E. Good to refresh 12-lead ACS protocol.

October 7, 2010

- Good 12 lead refresher.
- I am glad we are all cardiologists now!
- Great refresher!!
- Great refresher on 12 Lead & Peds

October 12, 2010

- 12 Lead presentation!
- Excellent 12-lead refresher
- I needed the 12 L review. Great job!

October 13 , 2010

- *Put this info on-line as a continual training resource!! *Very good info. *Need to regularly reinforce that LP12 isn't a triage tool.
- Would like follow up on our ICE pt's as far as what the outcome was.
- What else can we jump on and trial?
- Skill stations were great review. Need C.E. on medicine protocol changes.
- Good review.
- Nice review of 12 leads.
- Great review. Wish we did more.
- Great 12-Lead review!! Back stations – A little overkill carrying in equipment. Makes walking through a pain.
- As always good CE
- Good donuts. Keep up scenarios.
- Great review.
- Great information.
- Good informative lecture.
- Good ACS review.

October 19, 2010

- Great review – even though I've been doing it for 14 years!
- Excellent follow-up form St. V's why not everybody to give follow-up
- Overloaded
- Would be great to be able to get presentation in class as part of downloaded articles online.
- Excellent 12-lead review!
- Like the shorter break-out sessions. Good review.

October 20, 2010

- Adding anterior view of heart to 12 Lead pages in corner to better see where block is located may be useful.
- The slides on cordance/discordance need to be added to the handout sheet.
- Peds scenarios are beneficial.
- Great CE! All breakouts were very informative.
- Great job!
- We have millions of dollars since we charge – snacks.
- Great review.

October 26 , 2010

- Good hands on.
- Very very helpful-we need to hit this regularly (as we have, thank you Brent) to stay up on it.
- 12 Lead review excellent.
- Great class.
- Best ACS/cardiac CE so far! Or it finally clicked (just kidding). Also like OB/delivery rooms.
- Good 12 Lead Review! Nice job.

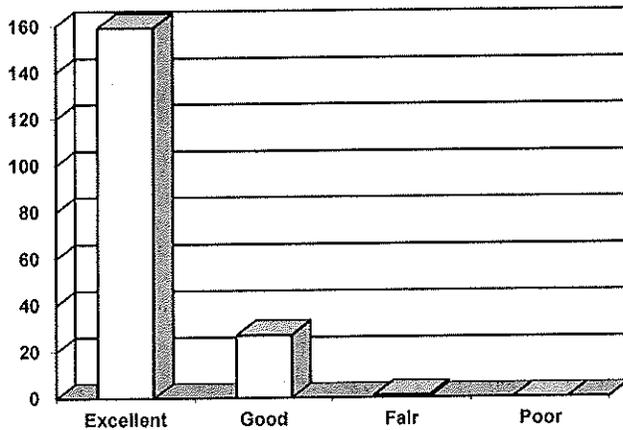
- Would like more info on concordance and discordance – covered it too fast should put together a packet of info on concordance & discordance.
- Would like copies of slides as well as 12-leads.

October 27 , 2010

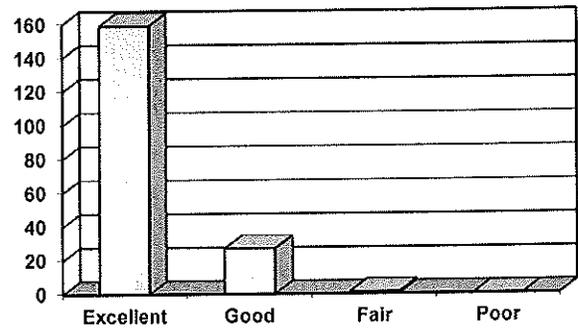
- When will LCEMS start providing snacks at CE again? Good 12-lead class. Does Dr. Lindstrom ever do CE's?
- 12-lead lecture was way too basic and moved very slowly. I know what a STEMI looks like we don't need to look at 10+STEMI strips.
- It's nice to come to C.E. for education not testing as it is written continuing education! Good review.
- Excellent review of 12 lead "over-reading" techniques – was not overdone. Nice to have a guest lecturer too. Sometimes the "usual" guy can be so predictable and mundane.
- Nice job! Personally could use more 12-lead review. Can't even have too much.
- Again fantastic info/review.
- Good review.
- Nice job Brian. The lecture was clearly spoken and professional, but could use a pee break every hour.
- Good 12-lead review.
- Good lecture.
- Good 12-lead refresher!
- Move manikins to tables for the old guys. Tuff to kneel down.
- Excellent and valuable information for our mandate use!
- Very good lecture.
- Great job on the lecture Brian! Scenarios were good.
- Good job Brian B. with cardiac & 12 lead stuff.

Noncredit Course and Instructor Evaluation 12-Lead ECG in the setting of ACS + Pediatric & OB

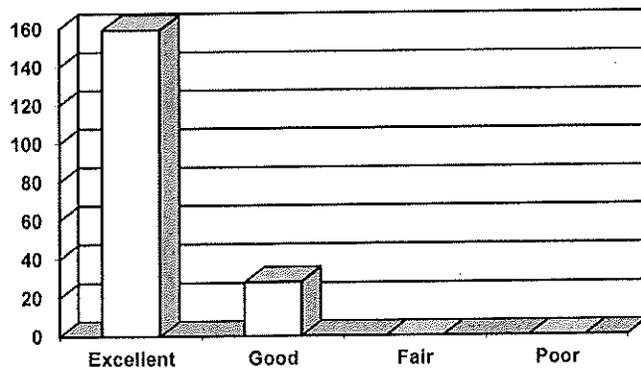
1. The course started on time



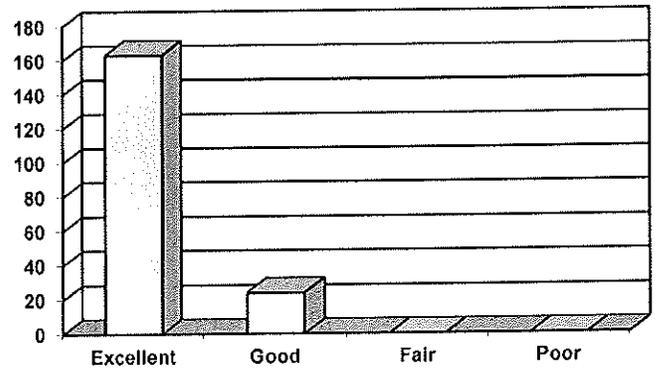
2. Course Objectives were clearly stated



3. Material was presented in an understandable manner



4. The instructor spoke clearly and loud enough to be heard



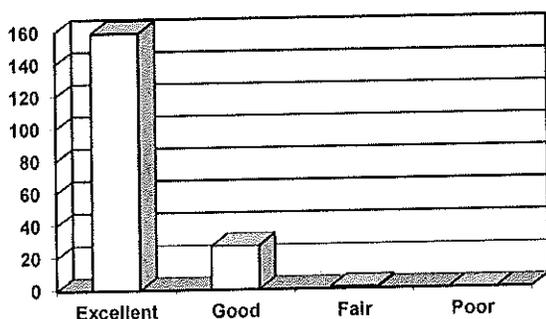
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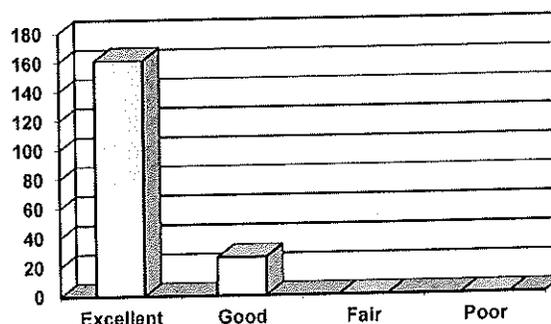
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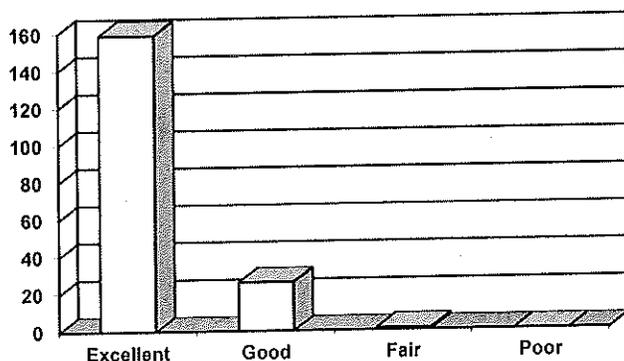
5. The instructor encouraged participation where appropriate



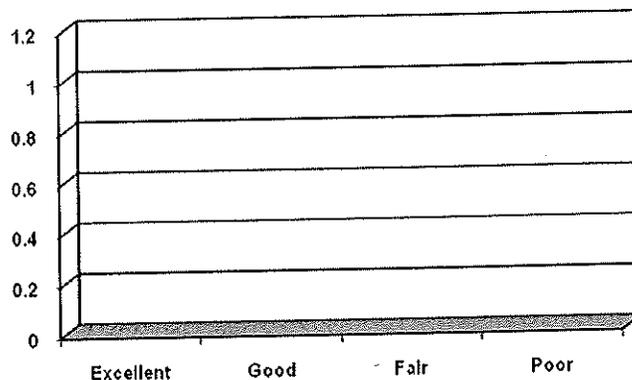
6. Handouts were easy to use and helpful
N/A



7. Rate your overall evaluation of the C.E. session



8. Did the written test reflect the objectives and course content? N/Ae



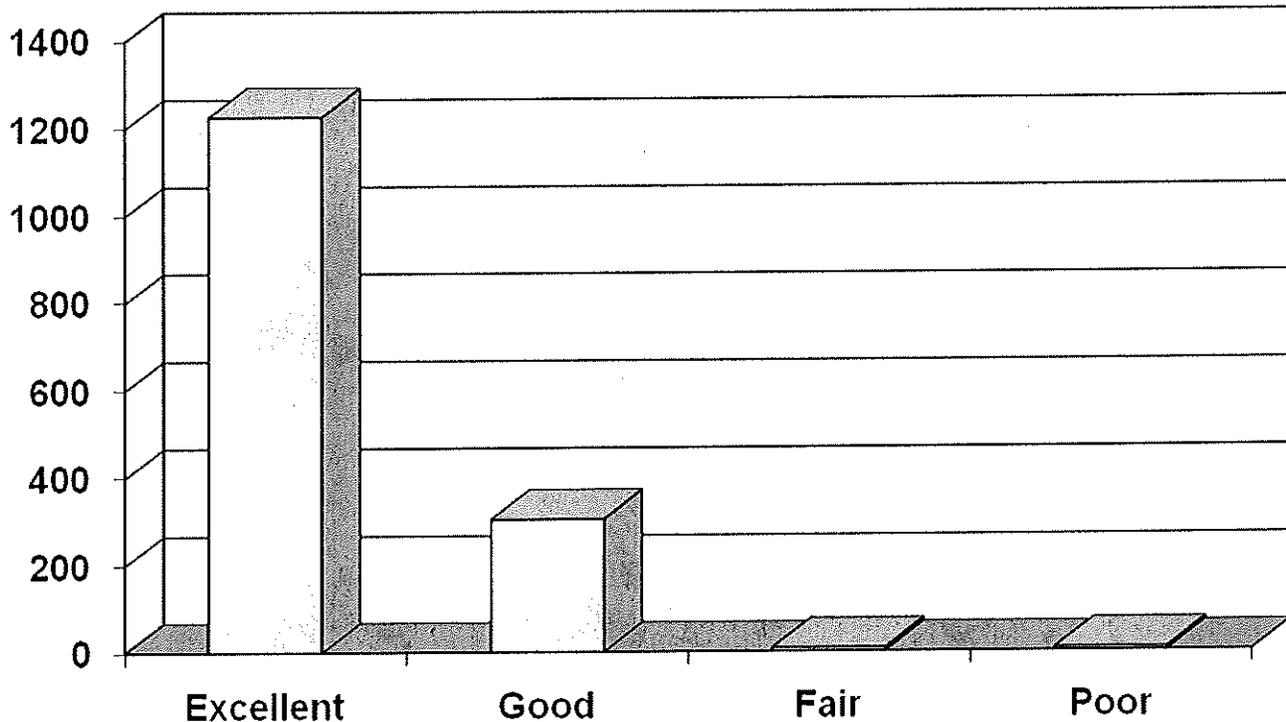
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Summary of All Responses to All Questions



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