Wake County EMS System Peer Review Meeting Minutes 8/20/2020

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Called to order at 1833 by Jeff Williams

- 1. Welcome, Approval of Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve minutes from 2Q20 made by Christopher Colangelo
 - b. Second by Mike Bachman
 - c. Unanimously approved

2. Announcements

- a. ET3 The payment model we were chosen to be a participant in, has been delayed by CMS
- b. Billing Vendor RFP EMS Management and Consultants will take over our billing in September 2020
- **All usually presented metrics will be available on the website.
 - 3. Operations Report Presented by Seth Komansky
 - a. COVID/Volume Update
 - i. Dr. Jamie Jollis asks about the use of PPE

 Seth Komansky discusses how the system has been using it and the limited exposures thus far

b. CCT Transfers

- i. Dr. Bob Denton asks, "How will the transports from MD offices be monitored for appropriateness are these for bls or als both process to monitor?"
 - 1. Seth Komansky responds with "Dr. Denton In most cases, it would likely be a direct admit where there is continuity in care between the providers at the corporately aligned facilities. We do have 4 questions we would ask the transfer center and/or the facility to ensure we are not missing an ED appropriate patient which would remain a 911 response. Most of our requests so far from Rex during our test of this have been Rex facilities outside of the hospital to a direct admit to the floor."
- 4. Clinical Report Presented by Mike Bachman
- 5. Professional Development Report Presented by Don Garner
 - a. Dr. Williams discusses how EMS is still conducting continuing education online.
- Research Report Presented by Jeff Williams
 - a. Manuscripts are in the works
 - b. Stroke and Sepsis data
 - c. White Paper for literature on what it means to be an EMS medical director during a pandemic
 - i. System Response
 - ii. Public Health assistance
- 7. Any other business?
 - Joseph Zalkin asks to update the status of the fellows and their involvement
 - i. Jeff Williams 2 Fellows academically affiliated through UNC – Aiman Salah and Alex Crank – Salah is with Wake

County during the first quarter of the school year and is just now as of today released for online medical direction. In addition, last year's 2 fellows, had a huge presence in the EOC. They were on the news and had great exposure.

Next meeting November 19, 2020

Motion to adjourn by Don Garner at 1921 Second by Christopher Colangelo