

**MEDICAL DIRECTION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES of the  
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
301 S. Park Ave. 4th Floor Conference Room A  
Helena, Montana  
9:00 a.m. to 10:05 a.m.  
June 16, 2015**

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**1. Call to Order - Establish Quorum - Introduction of Committee & Staff Members Present (00:06)**

Presiding Officer, Dr. James Upchurch, called the Medical Direction Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. It was determined that a quorum was present.

**Committee Members Present:**

Dr. James Upchurch (Committee Chair)  
Dr. Anne Williams  
Dr. Greg Moore  
Mr. Ron Solberg

**Staff Present:**

Mr. Ken Threet, State EMT Training Coordinator  
Dr. Harry Sibold, State EMS Medical Director  
Ms. Debra Tomaskie, DLI/BSD/BMU Administrative Specialist

**Guests Present:**

Ms. Mary Granger  
Ms. Shari Graham

**2. Approval and Tentative Modification of Agenda Order (00:17)**

a. Agenda for June 16, 2015

(00:35) Dr. Greg Moore requested "Discussion of protocol for a new pre-filled epinephrine syringe that is now available" to be placed on the next scheduled agenda.

Motion (02:00): Dr. Anne Williams moved to approve the agenda as written. Dr. Greg Moore seconded. Motion carried.

**3. Review and Approve Minutes (02:20)**

a. April 28, 2015 Minutes

Motion (02:28): Dr. Eric Lowe moved to approve the April 28, 2015 Medical Direction Committee Meeting minutes. Dr. Anne Williams seconded. Motion carried.

**4. Public Opportunity to Comment (04:03)**

Presiding Officer Statement) "Under this item, the Board will offer an opportunity to members of the public in attendance to comment on any public matter under the jurisdiction of the Board that is not on the agenda of this meeting. While the Board cannot take action on any issues presented, the board will listen to comments and may ask staff to place the issue on a

subsequent agenda. The presiding officer may limit the comment period in order to proceed with the board meeting.”

There were no public comments.

## **5. Committee Action (04:44)**

### **a. Review AEMT & Paramedic practical testing guidelines/stations (04:45)**

Motion (00:18:20): Mr. Ron Solberg moved to amend Page 5 of the Trauma Assessment & Treatment Sheet for AEMT as follows: “Assesses and assures adequate respiration and ventilation – the candidate assures patent airway and ventilation” and to recommend the AEMT and Paramedic exam to the Full Board. Dr. Anne Williams seconded. Motion carried.

### **b. Review draft for inclusion of Levophed in protocols as per request (21:00)**

Motion (00:28:47): Dr. Anne Williams moved to amend, in part, the SHOCK MEDICAL PROTOCOL - PARAMEDIC as follows: “NOREPINEPHRINE infusion (preferred); start at initial dose ~~0.5-1~~ 1 mcg/minute, titrate to effect. Max dose for refractory shock 20 mcg/minute. OR;

DOPAMINE infusion; start at 5 mcg/kg/minute and increase by 5 mcg/kg every 5 minutes to maintain systolic BP > 100, do not exceed 25 mcg/kg/minute. In notes: Be vigilant for extravasation when administering NOREPINEPHRINE. Large vein IV or IO ~~preferred~~ required” and forward the recommendations to the Full Board. Dr. Greg Moore seconded. Motion carried.

### **c. Review draft update in Diabetic-Hypoglycemia protocol (29:16)**

Motion (34:14): Mr. Ron Solberg moved to amend, in part, the DIABETIC EMERGENCY – CONSCIOUS AEMT PROTOCOL as follows: “administer 100cc DEXTROSE 10% IV. May repeat every 5 minutes to a max of 25g (~~500~~ 250cc) for persistent hypoglycemia” and submit the recommendations to the Full Board. Dr. Anne Williams seconded. Motion carried.

### **d. Discuss updating CCP Inter-facility Transport Protocol – Mechanical Ventilation (35:00)**

- a. Pharmacology-Formulary
- b. Initiation of pharm. paralysis (vs. initiation of paralytic)

Motion (44:10): Dr. James Upchurch moved to have staff develop research to support their position in a draft protocol to the Committee for their consideration at the next scheduled meeting. Mr. Ron Solberg seconded. Motion carried.

(54:10) The Committee will consider the Scoring Criteria at their next scheduled meeting.

## **6. Adjourn (55:47)**

Motion (55:47): Dr. Anne Williams moved to adjourn the meeting of the Medical Direction Committee at 10:05 a.m. on June 16, 2015. Mr. Ron Solberg seconded. Motion carried.