

Perinatal committee
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Date 01/25/2018
Time 10:17-1110
Location: ETMC Pavilion

Sign In & Quorum Call

- Item 1. designation process- everyone seems to have vital signs issues after birth and time from delivery. check 8th edition perinatal guidelines for vital signs and how often they need to be taken. vital signs q 15 X 4, q 30 x 2. state was okay with newborn meds being later than 1 hour if doing skin to skin. AAP endorsing giving admit meds within the first 4 hours. ETMC smaller hospitals waiting to file for designation until Ardant purchase is complete.
- Item 2. Maternal rules for designation - state requiring policies for certain disease processes. Consider them being recommendations and not policies. biggest challenge for many hospitals is maternal/ fetal medicine with the level of care. Working with the state on the maternal guidelines and asked the state to not require 24./7 MFM coverage . Asking state to consider MFM contact by phone to assist with pt care by OB.
- Item 3. We are in the area that has the highest mortality in the state. 2 hospitals closing in the area and how to improve maternal care within our region and how to provide care to these patients in the area that the hospitals are closing.
- Item 4. Any changes in visitation with the outbreak of the flu? Some facilities have made some changes on visitation - taking a temperature of family members prior to entering the NICU.
Discussion concerning refusal of medications and funeral arrangements for products of conception and cost.

Improvements/ follow up: Working on getting a list of resources together from all facilities to give to the smaller rural hospitals so that they can provide to their patients so that the patients can make an educated decision.

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