American College of Emergency Physicians
Clinical Policies Committee Meeting
March 20, 2024
Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

Participants

Committee members participating in all or part of the meeting: Christopher R. Carpenter, MD, MSc, FACEP; John T. Finnell, MD, FACEP, FACMI, Board Liaison; Benjamin W. Hatten, MD, MPH, FACEP; Jason S. Haukoos, MD, MSc, FACEP, Methodologist; Amy Kaji, MD, MPH, FACEP; Heemun Kwok, MD, MS, FACEP; Bruce M. Lo, MD, MBA, RDMS, FACEP; Sharon E. Mace, MD, FACEP, FAAP; Susan B. Promes, MD, MBA, FACEP; Kausbal H. Shah, MD, FACEP; Richard D. Shih, MD, FACEP; Scott M. Silvers, MD, FACEP; Andrea Slivinski, RN, DNP (ENA Representative); Michael D. Smith, MD, MBA, FACEP; John T. Thompson, MD (EMRA Representative); Jonathan H. Valente, MD, FACEP; Lauren M. Westafer, DO, MPH, MS, FACEP; Yanling Yu, PhD, Advocate for Patient Safety.

Also present for all or part of the meeting: Ken Milne, MD, MSc, Writing Committee on Thrombolytics; Travis Schulz, MLS, AHIP, Staff Liaison; Kaeli Vandertulip, MSLS, MBA, AHIP, Staff Liaison.

Agenda

1. Disclosures
2. Critical question for headache clinical policy
3. Critical questions for VTE/PE clinical policy
4. Thrombolytics clinical policy

Major Points Discussed

1. No new disclosures pertinent to the agenda were declared.

2. Kaeli Vandertulip, ACEP staff liaison to the Writing Committee on Headache, presented the proposed headache critical question to the Committee on behalf of Dr. Diercks. Members of the committee provided feedback. The committee will vote online whether the question is ready for review by the ACEP Board of Directors and the Quality and Patient Safety Committee.

3. Dr. Silvers presented the seven proposed critical questions for the venous thromboembolism/pulmonary embolism clinical policy. Members of the committee provided feedback. The committee will vote online to determine which of the questions are of most interest to ACEP membership before being presented to the committee for further feedback.

4. Dr. Lo, with assistance from Dr. Milne, led the committee members in the discussion of the draft of the thrombolytics clinical policy. Much of the discussion focused on the wording of the recommendations. The writing committee will incorporate the committee’s suggestions to the wording of the recommendations, and the draft will be presented to the committee electronically for review.