

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago
Heliport Review Committee
Summary of January 25, 2018 Meeting

This report summarizes the issues discussed during the January 25, 2018 regular business meeting of the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago Heliport Review Committee. A full list of meeting participants appears at the conclusion of this report. Any questions or comments about the Lurie Children’s Heliport and its operations should be directed to LaDarius Curtis, Community Relations Manager, LCurtis@luriechildrens.org.

- 1. Welcome and Meeting Purpose:** Susan Hayes Gordon, Chair of the Helicopter Review Committee, opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m. by welcoming meeting participants and restating the purpose of the Committee.
 - a. The purpose of the Helicopter Review Committee is to provide community review of the Helicopter Emergency Medical Services (H.E.M.S.) at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago.
 - b. The Committee will meet quarterly to review H.E.M.S. operations at Lurie Children’s in accordance with the guidelines set forth in Institutional Planned Development Number 3.
 - c. It has been decided that the Committee meetings held in January and April will be conducted as a conference call, while meetings held in July and October will be in person at Lurie Children’s Hospital. The meetings to discuss the winter months (January & April) will be held as a conference call due to the small number of flights that historically take place during that time frame.

- 2. Introductions:** Susan Hayes Gordon facilitated introductions of participants and reviewed the Committee’s meeting materials.
 - a. Roll Call of Committee Members: Susan Hayes Gordon asked all participants to identify themselves. A full list of meeting participants appears at the conclusion of this report.
 - b. Introduction to Materials: Each Committee member was emailed the following prior to the meeting and provided with hard copies at the meeting:
 - i. Meeting agenda and supplementary materials; and,
 - ii. Heliport Usage Reports for the months of October, November and December 2017. Heliport Usage Reports are posted publicly and can be found online at: <https://www.luriechildrens.org/en-us/community/community-relations/Pages/lifesaving-heliport-operation.aspx>.

- 3. Patient Outcome Discussion:** Dr. Leah Harris, Interim Medical Director for Transport & Division Head, Pediatric Critical Care.
 - a. During our October meeting the question was asked if there is a way to quantify successful outcomes of the transport program.
 - b. Members of Lurie Children's External Affairs, Legal and Helicopter Emergency Medical Services Transport Team met to examine the request.
 - c. The role of the HRC is to provide community review of the H.E.M.S. transports to Lurie Children's. Committee member's participation ensures that our process is transparent and adheres to the safety commitments made to the community.
 - d. HIPPA compliant information is provided about the medical reason for each patient transport so the Committee can help us confirm the heliport was used appropriately.
 - e. The true metric for determining success of a helicopter transport is patient safety and the safety of the transport team.
 - f. Success is also about transporting the patient to a higher level of care quickly. Providing greater access to experts that can diagnose and treat the child, quickly and safely, supersedes all other factors.
- 4. Update on Lurie Children's H.E.M.S Operations:** Laura Westley, Director, Inter-Facility Transport:
 - a. There were no updates to report regarding the Helicopter Medical Service Operations for Lurie Children's Hospital.
- 5. Review of October through December 2017 Heliport Usage Reports:** Dr. Leah Harris, Intern Medical Director for Transport & LaDarius Curtis, Manager, Healthy Communities reviewed Heliport Usage Reports for the reporting period from October to December with the Committee:
 - a. Copies of the October, November and December 2017 Heliport Usage Reports are included as an attachment to this report.
 - b. All Lurie Children's Heliport Usage Reports are posted publicly and can be found at: <https://www.luriechildrens.org/en-us/community/community-relations/Pages/lifesaving-heliport-operation.aspx>
- 6. Committee Feedback:**
 - a. Committee members may submit additional questions to the Transport Team following the meeting.
- 7. Committee Meeting Schedule:** The Committee's next meeting will be April 19, 2018 and will be a conference call from 8:30-9:30 a.m.

8. Close: Susan Hayes Gordon concluded the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

9. Meeting Participants:

- a. Susan Hayes Gordon
- b. LaDarius Curtis
- c. Mary Kate Daly
- d. Laura Westley
- e. Dr. Leah Harris
- f. Christian Ficara
- g. Dave Kostelansky
- h. Michelle Stephenson
- i. Brian Stahulak
- j. Susan Axelrod
- k. Sharyl Mackey
- l. Willa Iglitzen Lang
- m. Mike Riordan
- n. John Wilhelm
- o. John Chikow
- p. Nancy Borders
- q. Ginger Evans
- r. Tom Coffey
- s. Gil Salinas
- t. Nick Polutnik