Evaluation of Early On-Scene Management of Pediatric Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrest







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Background

Banjeree et al. (2018) demonstrated a significant, sustained increased in survival to hospital discharge from 0% to 23% with a shift to on scene resuscitation in pediatric out of hospital cardiac arrest (POCHA)

Objective

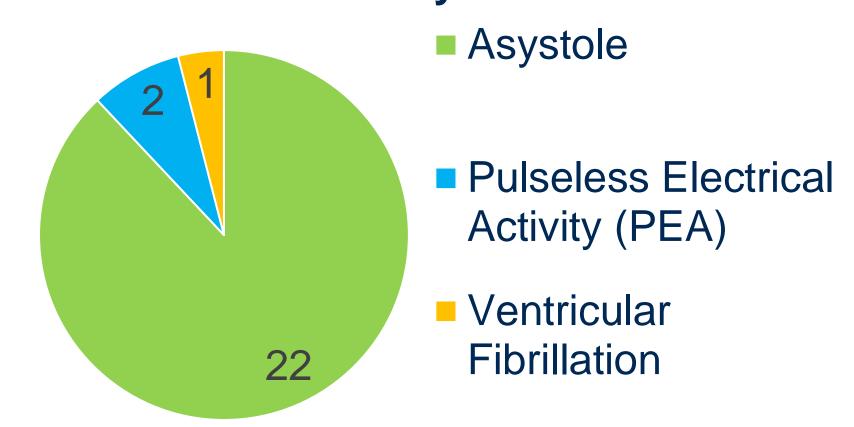
We evaluated and compared the frequency of ROSC and neurologically intact survival in POCHA patients in which resuscitation efforts were performed on scene to that of Polk County.

Methodology

- We conducted a retrospective cohort study of our three local Advanced Life Support transporting agencies that served Kent county in 2019 providing POHCA care after implementation of early resuscitation.
- We evaluated basic demographic information including age, sex, gender.
- We evaluated EMS parameters including time on scene, time to CPR, bystander CPR, and time to first dose of epinephrine with associated interquartile ranges (IQR).
- Our main outcome metrics were return of spontaneous circulation (ROSC), survival to admission, and survival to discharge.

Results

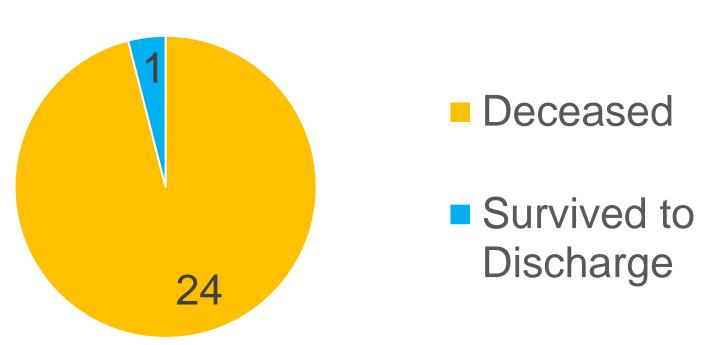
Cardiopulmonary Arrest Cases in Kent County 2019



Median Time to Resuscitative Interventions CPR EMS arrival Epinephrine 0 5 10 15 Time (min)

Results

Disposition of POCHA in Kent County 2019



Conclusion

- Implementation of immediate on-scene resuscitative efforts did not result in any measurable improvements in ROSC or neurologically intact survival in contrast to prior work showing a significant increase in neurologically intact survival.
- Future work should be directed towards a multi-county approach to decipher both regional trends and differences in survival with immediate on-scene resuscitative efforts.