New Procedure—Product Trial Guidelines

Purpose: To provide an organized system approach to suggestions from EMS Agencies, Medical Directors or field personnel for new procedures and products in a timely fashion.

Suggestions for new procedures, product trials, or other requests not part of the current standing protocols must be made to the Medical Control Board in writing.
The proposal will include the following:
1. Request
2. Rationale
3. Service or specific group to be utilized
4. Written protocol for use of procedure or product
5. Time frame planned: start of project, duration
6. Training needs identified and training plan.
7. Cost-analysis information
8. Scientific evidence (bibliography) supporting proposal

The proposal will be prioritized and placed on the next available MCB agenda. The agency sponsoring the proposal should be represented at the meeting.

If accepted, the hospital and pre-hospital representatives will disseminate the appropriate information to their respective agencies.

A follow-up report will be made at the MCB meeting within three months of the actual implementation of the proposal. The report will include:
1. Incidence of use
2. Positive and negative outcomes associated with use
3. Recommended modifications

A written report will be submitted at the end of the project, or at 6 months, and will include the above information, as well as recommendations for future use.