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Dr. Cauchi shared an idea he is going to try in the ER and recommended we have it on hand if the situation arises. See the attached picture where they were intubating a manikin in full PPE. The added idea is to drape a clear plastic sheet over the patient that you can perform compressions through and reach under to perform skills such as IV/IO and airway while looking through the plastic. This would add another barrier to reduce flying droplets and viruses from getting on equipment and personnel. Clear plastic drop-cloths are cheap and available. Let's get a few and try it out.

Otherwise, not much to report today other than I spent most of the day working on moving protocols online. Check them out here: <http://ozarksems.com/protocols.php>. Still have a way to go, but making a dent. Some protocols of importance completed today:

- Protocol 1-100 - Air Ambulance (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-1-100.php>)
- Protocol 1-200 - Ambulance Dispatching (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-1-200.php>)
- Protocol 1-700 - General Operations (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-1-700.php>)
- Protocol 1-850 - Rescue Task Force (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-1-850.php>)
- Protocol 2-154 - Bradycardia (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-2-154.php>)
- Protocol 2-220 - Chest Pain / Suspected Cardiac Event (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-2-220.php>)
- Protocol 2-770 - Respiratory Distress (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-2-770.php>)
- Protocol 8-190-01 - ECG Interpretation Guide (<http://ozarksems.com/protocol-8-190-01.php>)

Stay safe and don't forget to get out and do something physical. Be outside and active to maintain physical and mental health. I promise it will make you feel better.

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