

COUNTY OF ORANGE HEALTH CARE AGENCY REGULATORY / MEDICAL HEALTH SERVICES EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 405 W. Fifth Street, Suite 401A Santa Ana, CA 92701



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 23, 2019 – 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS			
<u>NAME</u>	CATEGORY REPRESENTED	ORANGE COUNTY EMS STAFF	
□ Ruth Clark, RN □ Jim Karras, Chair □ Olivia Cota, RN □ Chad Druten □ Aaron Oshima □ Rhonda Rosati, RN □ Jeff Lopez	 Base Hospital Coordinators Ambulance Service Provider non-9-1-1 Orange County Nursing Leadership Ambulance Service Provider 9-1-1 Air Transport Provider Fire Service Provider Fire Service Provider (with transport) 	Carl Schultz, MD Gagandeep Grewal, MD Adrian Rodriguez Adrian Rodriguez Vicki Sweet, RN Meng Chung, EMT-P David Johnson, RN Jason Azuma Justin Newton Eileen Endo	 EMS Medical Director Associate EMS Medical Director EMS Performance Chief EMS Performance Chief ALS/CQI Coordinator BLS Coordinator Facilities Coordinator OC-MEDS Coordinator EMS Specialist Office Specialist
GUESTS PRESENT			
<u>NAME</u>	REPRESENTING	<u>NAME</u>	REPRESENTING
Dave Barry Laura Cross, RN Josh Dean Robert Ower	 Anaheim Fire Department Mission Hospital Lifeline Ambulance Service Premier Ambulance Service 	Patrick Powers Eric Somens Aaron Sundstrom Robert Viera	 Powers Mobile Healthcare Lynch Ambulance Service Doctor's Ambulance Service Care Ambulance Service, Inc.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Jim Karras.

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Schultz announced that Symons Ambulance Service is no longer providing IFT-ALS services in Orange County effective immediately. However, they will continue to provide nonemergency BLS transport service.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

- OCEMS Report: Vicki Sweet presented the OCEMS report. This report included a reminder to sign-up
 for AlertOC; and the upcoming Statewide Medical and Health Exercise on November 20, 2019. Ms. Sweet
 asked Ruth Clark, RN, to provide a report on the Health Care Coalition and its advisory committees. Ms.
 Sweet encouraged committee members and its guests to attend these meetings.
- 9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Contract Performance: Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2018-19 (July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019): Adrian Rodriguez presented the annual report for FY 2018-19 for 9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Contract performance for the five regions. All ambulance service providers exceeded the 90th percentile standard set forth in the contract.
- Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT) Report: Attached to the agenda are APOT data for the period
 of January 1 through September 30, 2019. Questions were raised on whether APOT times were taken
 into consideration during the recent RFP process and what is being done to address the lengthy APOT

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times seen at some facilities. During the RFP process, APOT times were not taken into consideration as APOT data are hospital and not ambulance related.

In regards to addressing the lengthy APOT times, Dr. Schultz reported that this issue has been discussed at the Transportation and Facilities Advisory Committees. While both subcommittees recommended standards, the Emergency Medical Care Committee did not establish a standard. At this time, there is not a state established standard. As a result, it is difficult to establish a standard.

- **Sidewalk CPR Event:** Mr. Chung reported that the 2019 Sidewalk CPR event held in June, 2019 saw 3,323 members of the public trained in hands-on CPR at various locations throughout Orange County. This is significantly higher in comparison to June 2018.
- Bulk Processing of California EMT Certifications: Mr. Chung reported that effective immediately,
 Orange County EMS is no longer accepting a single payment for the bulk processing of EMT certifications
 by provider agencies. Effective January 1, 2020, this will also include the bulk processing of paramedic
 accreditations and MICN authorizations as well.

V. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- 2020 Ambulance Service Provider Inspections: Mr. Chung reported on the number of vehicle and service provider inspections performed. Those vehicles that did not pass an inspection or vehicles that still require annual inspection, service providers will need to contact Mr. Chung or Justin Newton to schedule these inspections during the pre-scheduled make-up inspection dates.
- Orange County EMS Updates to Standing Orders, ALS and BLS Procedures, Base Hospital Treatment Guidelines, and OCEMS Policies and Procedures

Dr. Schultz indicated that the majority of updates are directed to hospital and paramedic service providers. Currently, Orange County EMS is accepting public comments regarding the Stroke/Neurology Receiving Center criteria through October 30, 2019; the Cardiovascular Receiving Center criteria through October 24, 2019; and the Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center criteria through November 23, 2019.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

VIII. PUBLIC FORUM

IX. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. A copy of the 2020 meeting schedule is attached.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.