

# **EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE**



# **REGULAR MEETING**

Friday, January 10, 2020 – 9:00 am

Location: Hall of Administration: Commission Hearing Room 333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Santa Ana, California 92701

# MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE				
MEMBERS	CATEGORY REPRESENTED	HEALT	HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF	
□    □    □    □    □    □    □	<ul> <li>Board of Supervisors, First District</li> <li>Board of Supervisors, Second District</li> <li>Board of Supervisors, Third District</li> <li>Board of Supervisors, Fifth District</li> <li>Ambulance Association of Orange County</li> <li>American Red Cross</li> <li>City Selection Committee</li> <li>Hospital Association of Southern California</li> <li>Orange Coast Emergency Nurses Association</li> <li>Orange County City Managers Association</li> <li>Orange County Fire Chiefs Association</li> <li>Orange County Medical Association</li> <li>Society of Orange County Emergency Physicians</li> <li>Orange County Senior Citizens Advisory Council</li> <li>Board of Supervisors, Fourth District</li> <li>Orange County Business Council</li> <li>Orange County Police Chiefs/Sheriffs Association</li> </ul>	Gagandeep Grewal, MD Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN Samuel J. Stratton, MD, MPH Steve Thronson Cheryl Meronk Adrian Rodriguez	<ul> <li>Associate EMS Medical Director</li> <li>EMS Director</li> <li>EMS Physician Consultant</li> <li>Deputy Agency Director, Regulatory/MHS</li> <li>Chief of Operations, Regulatory/MHS</li> <li>EMS Performance Chief</li> </ul>	
GUESTS PRESENT				
NAME	REPRSENTING	NAME	REPRSENTING	
Ann Abe Greg Boswell, RN Chris Leo Kenneth McFarland	Orange County Global Medical Center     Orange County Fire Authority     UCI Medical Center     Fountain Valley Regional Hospital	Amanda Pringle, RN Scott Rifkin Humberto Sauri, MD Julia Schrofer, RN	- Mission Hospital - KPC Healthcare - Orange County Global Medical Center - Orange County Global Medical Center	

#### I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dr. Michael Ritter.

## II. <u>INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

- Dr. Ritter announced that Dr. Schultz will not be present due to the passing of his father.
- **Introduction of new members:** Dr. Ritter introduced three new members appointed by the Orange County Board of Supervisors.
  - o Timothy A. Munzing, MD., a family physician who leads the residency program for Kaiser who serves as the representative for the Third District.
  - o Ted Heyming, MD, the emergency department director for Children's Hospital of Orange County. Dr. Heyming serves as the representative for the Board of Supervisors for the Fifth District

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#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the October 11, 2019 Emergency Medical Care Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

#### IV. OCEMS REPORT / CORRESPONDENCE

• Medical Director's Report:

- Dr. Grewal reporting:

The Medical Director's Report included the implementation of the policy on using automated chest compression devices by all 911 ALS service providers; and the start of flu season

- Orange County Hospital Diversion Report: January 1 to December 31, 2019: Attached to the packet is the annual Orange County Hospital Diversion Report for the 2019 calendar year. Hospital diversion hours are typical with spikes noted during the summer and the end of the year.
- Ambulance Patient Off-load Times (APOT) Report: Ambulance Patient Off-load times as reported in the 2019 annual report. Ms. McConnell reported that the Emergency Medical Care Committee has not made a recommendation for a standard APOT time.
- Emergency Ambulance Transportation Contract Performance Report: Fiscal Year 19-20 First Quarter Report: Andrew Roberts presented the FY 2018-19 Mid-Year Report on the 9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation contract for the period of July 1 to December 31, 2018. This report contains the contractual response times for each of the five exclusive operating areas (Regions A E) as seen in attachment #4.
- **EMCC Correspondence:** Ms. McConnell reported the correspondence included in the agenda packet are memorandums and correspondence released by OCEMS since the last meeting.

#### V. <u>EMCC ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS</u>

Dr. Grewal reported on items discussed at the Facilities Advisory, County Paramedic Advisory and Transportation Advisory Committees. The Education and Training Advisory Committee will meet later this month.

#### VI. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

• American College of Surgeons (ACS): Trauma System Consultation Report:

Dr. Grewal presented the outcome of the Trauma System Consultation performed by the American College of Surgeons that had taken place in July of 2019. His presentation included the priorities, the goals, and recommendations including the expansion of the Regional Trauma Operations Committee to include other stakeholders. Karen Sharp asked if there is an opportunity to have a more inclusive system and have multiple levels of a trauma system. Ms. McConnell stated there was interest three years ago of facilities to be designated as a Level 3 trauma center. Dr. Stratton outlined that Level 3 trauma centers are mostly used in more rural areas. He indicated that the ACS team strongly urged more inclusion of the non-trauma hospitals in the Orange County trauma system. Dr. Stratton outlined the differences between the different levels of trauma centers.

Dr. David Gibbs, reported that the American College of Surgeons visited Children's Hospital of Orange County on a consultation for verification later in 2020 as a Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center. Currently there are three Level II pediatric trauma centers in Orange County.

Kenneth McFarland, CEO of Fountain Valley Regional Hospital: It is important to note that Fountain Valley Regional Hospital applied in 2018 to become a provisional trauma center. Asked that Orange County EMS include public input received; initiate input from prehospital care providers; and traffic patterns.

Scott Rifkin, KPC Health Encourages that Orange County EMS implement the recommendations outlined in the Trauma System Consultation Report.

Ann Abe, CEO of Orange County Global Medical Center: Encourages that Orange County EMS follow the recommendations as outlined in the American College of Surgeons Report.

Humberto Sauri, MD, Trauma Director of Orange County Global Medical Center: Encourages that Orange County EMS follow the recommendations as outlined in the American College of Surgeons Report. This is especially important to maintain the skills

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# VII. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

## A. 9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Contract FY 2020-2025

Tammi McConnell reported that the Orange County Board of Supervisors is expected to approve the 9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation contracts for FY 2020-2025 on January 28, 2020 for the period of June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2025.

## VIII. OTHER BUSINESS

# VIII. MEMBER COMMENTS

## IX. PUBLIC FORUM

## X. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

## XI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.