



## FACILITIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.

### MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP			
<b>MEMBERS</b>		<b>CATEGORY REPRESENTED</b>	<b>ORANGE COUNTY EMS STAFF PRESENT</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Peter Anderson, MD (exc)	–	OCMA (ED Physician)	Carl Schultz MD – EMS Medical Director
<input type="checkbox"/> Michael Lekawa, MD	–	Trauma Medical Directors	Gagandeep Grewal, MD – Associate EMS Medical Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert McCormick, MD	–	Managed Care Physicians	Vicki Sweet, RN – ALS/CQI Coordinator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Birkle, RN	–	Base Hospital Administration	David Johnson, RN – Facilities Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> Kenneth McFarland	–	ERC Hospital Administration	Jason Azuma, NRP – OC-MEDS Coordinator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ruth Clark, RN (Chair)	–	Base Hospital Coordinators	
<input type="checkbox"/> Troy Gideon, RN	–	OC Nursing Leadership	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Lush, RN	–	Trauma Program Coordinators	
<i>Represented by: Mary Slattery, RN</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Boswell, RN	–	Fire Chiefs EMS Coordinators	
GUESTS PRESENT			
<b>NAME</b>	<b>REPRESENTING</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>REPRESENTING</b>
Jordan Abushawish	– Providence/St. Joseph	Nicole Pluffe	– Children’s Hosp. of Orange County
Shelley Brukman, RN	– Fountain Valley Fire Department	Amanda Pringle, RN	– Mission Hospital
MacKenzie Ferguson	– Children’s Hosp. of Orange County	Sharon Richards	– Hospital Association of S. California
Chris Leo	– UCI Medical Center	Michael Tou	– Providence/St. Joseph
Julie Mackie, RN	– Mission Hospital	Robert Viera	– Care Ambulance Service

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Ruth Clark, RN who served as chair in Dr. Anderson’s absence.

II. **INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Robert McCormick, Kaiser Permanente Orange County, was introduced as the new representative for Managed Care Physicians.

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Minutes from the January 14, 2020 meeting were approved as submitted.*

IV. **OCEMS REPORT**

• **OCEMS Report**

The OCEMS report included a reminder to subscribe for EMS notifications such as for Committee meeting reminders, system-wide notifications (i.e, memos regarding policy/procedure changes, announcements), etc. This is especially important given the nature of the current environment when numerous notifications will be sent

out. Currently, Orange County has licensed 276 ambulance vehicles with inspections continuing. April 1, 2020 is the implementation date for updates to Orange County policies/procedures and standing orders.

**California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Notification – Prehospital Care Personnel Exposure to Communicable Disease or Condition:** David Johnson reported that two years ago, CDPH distributed a letter to all health care facilities. The letter indicated that facilities are to have notification procedures in place so that prehospital care personnel may contact the designated officer or infection control officer at a facility in the event of an exposure to communicable disease or medical condition. If a facility has a website, CDPH requires that contact information for either a designated officer or infection control officer be posted to the hospital's website. Given the current environment, it is especially important for this information to be made available. Vicki Sweet asked that facilities who have representatives present, to please ensure that Orange County EMS has the hospital's current contact information.

- **Health Emergency Management Report**

With the current monitoring of COVID-19 and the opening of the Emergency Operations Area and the Health Care Agency Operations Center, EMS staff have been fulfilling hospital resource requests and working with other programs with the Health Care Agency. Dr. Grewal reported that all Health Care Coalition meetings have been cancelled for this week as well as the spring disaster exercise.

- **Influenza Update**

Dr. Grewal reported that the most prominent virus at the present time is influenza with 34 million cases, 300,000 hospitalizations and approximately 30, 000 deaths. The seasonal pattern is lessening than it has in previous years.

- **Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT) Report**

Attached to the packet is the APOT report for the month of January, 2020. The February report is expected to be released soon.

## V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Trauma Collaborative (TPMs)**

Amanda Pringle reported that the Trauma Program Managers' Collaborative is planning a trauma conference scheduled for August 6, 2020. The conference is expected to be held at Care Ambulance Service in the City of Orange. Registration information will be forthcoming. The trauma program managers are planning to establish their own website but plan to use the base hospital coordinators' website in the meantime.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

- **Coronavirus (COVID-19) Report**

Dr. Schultz reported that there have been five cases of Coronavirus in Orange County. This is pending the receipt of patients from the cruise ship currently docked in Asia. Orange County EMS is monitoring the situation closely and are anticipating making changes to policies/procedures/standing orders in the event there is community spread of the illness. He reported on the limited supply of PPE that is currently available. Orange County EMS is planning to request additional supplies from the State of California in the near future. Expired N95 masks that are authorized by the Centers for Disease Control to use are those masks in which the integrity has not been compromised. Committee members shared information on what is being asked of them from the State level.

Vicki Sweet distributed a copy of the Orange County EMS website showing the instructions on how to go about submitting a resource request.

- **Emergency Receiving Center/Specialty Receiving Center Designation/Re-designation**

Mr. Johnson reported that changes have been made to criteria for each of the specialty receiving center designations made by Orange County EMS. Future hospital designations/re-designations will be made using the criteria in place at the time of designation/re-designation.

Attached to the agenda is the facility designation report for Mission Hospital's Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center for a period of one year with a six month review (to be performed in August).

*MSC: The Facilities Advisory Subcommittee recommended that Mission Hospital be designated as a Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center for a period of one year (March 2020 through March 2021).*

VII. **OTHER BUSINESS**

VIII. **NEXT MEETING**

- Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.