



FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 – 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CATEGORY REPRESENTED</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter Anderson, MD, Chair	– OCMA (ED Physician Directors)	Sheryl Gradney, RN	St. Jude Medical Center
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Markie Cowley	– PRC Hospital Administrators	Patrick Powers, EMT-P	Premier Medical Transport
<i>Represented by Phyllis Robby, RN</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jana Kendall, RN,	– Base Hospital Coordinators		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Lekawa, MD	– Trauma Center Directors		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Lush, RN,	– Trauma Nurse Coordinators		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cathy Ord, RN	– Fire EMS Coordinators		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anu Singh, MD	– Managed Care Emerg. Physicians		
<input type="checkbox"/> Greg Super, MD (excused)	– Base Hospital Physician Directors		
<input type="checkbox"/> Denise Woolson, RN (excused)	– ED Nurse Supervisors		
		<u>OCEMS STAFF</u>	
		Samuel J. Stratton, MD	EMS Medical Director
		Michael Delaby, RN, EMT-P	EMS Systems and Standards Chief
		Vicki Sweet, RN	ALS/CQI Coordinator
		Eileen Endo	Office Specialist

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Peter Anderson, MD.

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MSC: Minutes from the July 8, 2014 meeting were approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

- **Medical Director’s Report:** Dr. Stratton reported that an outside consultant has been hired to review the EMS disaster plan; the adoption of national standards on spinal immobilization; the development of a pilot program in collaboration with law enforcement agencies on the administration of naloxone; and discussing the addition of AEDs on police units with law enforcement agencies.
- **Hospital Diversion:** Mike Delaby presented hospital diversion data for the calendar year 2014. Committee members discussed the type of format in which the data is presented. Committee members discussed the possibility of eliminating diversion and potentially redistributing specialty patients to other specialty facilities.
- **Community Paramedicine Program:** Three paramedics representing Fountain Valley, Huntington Beach, and Newport Beach Fire Department will be attending a full community paramedicine course to understand community paramedicine.
- **Anaheim Fire Department Community Care Response Unit Program:** The program is in the process of hiring a nurse practitioner who will be a Care Ambulance employee working in collaboration with Anaheim Fire Department and Kaiser Permanente Medical Center.
- **OC-MEDS Report:** Dr. Stratton reported on the status of OC-MEDS and that both cardiac and stroke data are expected to be added in the near future. There are plans to move towards a health information network.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Children’s Hospital of Orange County Pediatric Trauma Center Designation:** Orange County EMS has designated CHOC as a Level II pediatric trauma receiving center effective January 15, 2015. Pediatric trauma patients will be transported to the nearest trauma receiving center. Orange County EMS is in process of revising the trauma triage criteria to meet the American College of Surgeons guidelines.
- **IFT-ALS Program:** Dr. Stratton reported that four ambulance providers who have either become approved or in process of being approved as an IFT-ALS service provider. Patrick Powers reported on challenges faced by service providers. Many hospitals contract with specific providers to perform interfacility transports.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- **Ebola Response Plan:** Dr. Stratton reported that three ambulance service providers have the capabilities to transport a suspected Ebola patient and reported on two incidents that occurred. Epidemiology has developed a plan to respond to a potential Ebola patient.
- **Influenza:** Epidemiology is monitoring influenza cases and that Orange County has not seen a spike in the flu season as of yet. The current influenza cases are patients with H3N2 type influenza.
- **800 mHz Etiquette:** Vicki Sweet reported on conversations heard during the monitoring of the 800 mHz by Orange County EMS. She stressed the importance that the answering facility identify him/herself, that base hospitals should not give medical direction over the radio, and that personal health information not be given over the radio.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- **Saddleback Memorial Medical Center/San Clemente:** Dr. Stratton reported that formal notification has not been received from Memorial Medical Center to close Saddleback Memorial Medical Center/San Clemente. An impact report must be prepared with a public hearing to be held.

VIII. NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.