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Education and Training Advisory Subcommittee

Wednesday, January 6, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Location:

405 W. Fifth Street, Conference Room 433
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Mission Statement: *"To advise and endorse efforts to implement quality initial educational programs, continuing education and ongoing updates for prehospital care personnel."*

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AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INTRODUCTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - November 4, 2015 (Attachment #1)
- IV. OCEMS REPORT
 - OCEMS Report
 - OC-MEDS Elite Report
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - BLS/EMT Preceptor Training Program
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - Scene Control and Patient Management
- VII. OTHER BUSINESS / ROUNDTABLE
 - Online NREMT Transition Course Information – Informational Item Only (Attachment #2)
- VIII. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING
 - March 2, 2016
- IX. ADJOURNMENT



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MINUTES

Committee Membership			
<u>ATTENDEES</u>		<u>ATTENDEES</u>	
Patrick Powers, EMT-P	Premier Medical Transport	Shadrach Smith, EMT-P	Paramedic Advantage
Laura Cross, RN	Mission Hospital	Trevor Stonum	MedCoast Ambulance Service
Patrick Dibb	Santa Ana College	Ron Taggart	Doctor's Ambulance Service
Walter Garcia	Premier Ambulance	Edmon Tangabekyan	American Med Ambulance
Patrick Hernandez	CalMed Ambulance	Robert Williams	Training Educational Services
Jim Karras	AmeriCare Ambulance Service	Dan Zimmerman	Coastline ROP
Bridget Mandt	Coastline ROP		
Jerry Melendrez	Care Ambulance Service	<u>OCEMS STAFF PRESENT</u>	
Paul Miller	First Med Ambulance	Mike Delaby	- EMS Systems and Standards Chief
Maryle Olivier, RN	UCI Medical Center	Vick Sweet, RN	- ALS/CQI Coordinator
Rikin Patel	Premier Medical Transport	Eileen Endo	- Office Specialist

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Patrick Powers, as an ad hoc meeting since insufficient notification was provided.

II. **INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Laura Cross, RN representing the base hospitals coordinators announced that the NO FEAR trauma conference has already sold out. In addition, the second MICN class for 2015 is almost complete with 11 candidates participating.

Paul Miller announced that the National Association of EMS Educators is expected to conduct an instructor course in Los Angeles County in January, 2016.

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the July 1, 2015 meeting were submitted for approval.

IV. **OCEMS REPORT**

- **New EMS Staff:** Orange County EMS is pleased to announce the addition of Jason Azuma who serves as the OC-MEDS Coordinator and Kirstin Wong who serves as an EMS Specialist who is assisting in the ambulance performance components of the ambulance contracts.
- **Orange County EMS Website Changes:** Changes have been made to the OCEMS website including the release of system reports such as the hospital diversion reports
- **OCEMS Policies and Procedures for Public Comment:** Orange County EMS will be releasing policies for 50-day public comment in the coming weeks.
- **Huntington Beach Hospital:** Huntington Beach Hospital has resumed duties as a base hospital effective 7:00 a.m., November 4, 2015.

- **Parking Validation Changes:** Due to Health Care Agency policy changes, parking validations will be handled differently. Meeting attendees are required to bring their parking tickets with them in order to obtain validation.

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- **AHA Electronic CPR Cards:** Attached to today's packets are samples of the eCard (Electronic Course completion card) from the American Heart Association. It is important to note that an eCard Code must be present to indicate that the candidate has successfully completed all components of the requirements to obtain CPR certification. The American Heart Association is promoting the use of the eCard due to the availability of security features that it may provide.
- **BLS Preceptors – Internships and New Hires:** Provider agencies find it difficult to pair students with the expectations of the training programs. Jim Karras reported that an EMT preceptor program had been established between the training programs and five of the ambulance service providers. The program was successful from the standpoint of the ambulance providers to determine future leaders of their company. Due to changes in management and training programs, the program was dissolved.

Committee members discussed the mutual understanding between the providers and training programs to develop standardize training of preceptors. Committee members shared their experiences on the value of becoming preceptors; the role of the preceptor; competency of current EMTs, and the use of a paid EMT internship program.
- **BLS Skills Sheets vs. NREMT EMT Test Sheets:** An inquiry was made on the use of BLS skills sheets and the National Registry EMT test sheets. For testing purposes, it is important to reinforce the National Registry EMT test sheets
- **Spinal Motion Restriction Instructions:** Committee members discussed the new spinal motion restriction procedures. From an educational standpoint, it is necessary to teach both National Registry standards and the new procedure.

VI. **OTHER BUSINESS/ROUNDTABLE**

- **Reorganization of Subcommittee by the Emergency Medical Care Committee:**
Any discussion on the reorganization of subcommittees, including the Education and Training Advisory Subcommittee, of the Emergency Medical Care Committee may be placed on the agenda at the next Emergency Medical Care Committee meeting.
- **2016 Education and Training Meeting Dates:** Attached to the agenda is a list of Education and Training Advisory Committee meetings for the coming year. Committee members were asked to think about what they would like to see accomplished in 2016.
- **In Memoriam: Phylcia Hassapis, RN:** Ms. Hassapis was the EMT Training Program Coordinator at Orange Coast College before her passing on September 2, 2015.
- **MICN Course:** Vicki Sweet commended the base hospital coordinators for their accomplishments in the success of the new MICN course being conducted.

VII. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room 433.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

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The State of California EMS Authority (EMSA) announces the approval of three (3) ONLINE NREMT Transition Courses:

1. Distance CME LLC <http://www.distancecme.com> – Paramedic & EMT transition
2. Code 3 CME LLC <http://www.code3cme.com> – Paramedic, AEMT & EMT transition
3. FISDAP – <http://fisdap.net> – Paramedic, AEMT & EMT transition

These transition courses are a requirement for continued registration with the National Registry of EMT's (NREMT) as part of NREMT's commitment to fully implement their transition to the current National EMS Scope of Practice Model, National Education Standards, and Instructional Guidelines, which is also the goal of the EMS Authority.

In 2009, the national standards and instruction guidelines for EMS providers were updated by the National Highway and Traffic Safety Agency. These changes were made to ensure that the EMS providers are being trained and knowledgeable in current medical practices, thus ensuring continued quality care for the general public.

The updates also created a gap between the prior standards and what is being taught today, which is addressed through approved transition courses. The suggested curriculum for the transition courses relies heavily on the work produced by the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) in their gap analysis of the differences between the prior National Standard Curricula and the new National Education Standards. In coordination with various stakeholders, including EMS educators, local EMS agencies and other interested parties the EMS Authority created a guideline to ensure this gap in education was addressed. All approved transition courses are in compliance with these guidelines.

Local transition courses are also still available and are approved by the Local EMS Agencies. A list of programs that provide these courses and more detailed information can be found on the EMT page of EMSA's website: <http://www.emsa.ca.gov/EMT>.

Completion of a transition course is **not** necessary to maintain California EMT certification or paramedic licensure.