



FACILITIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 21, 2017
 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE

<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>CATEGORY REPRESENTED</u>	<u>GUESTS PRESENT</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter Anderson, MD, Chair	- OCMA (ED Physician Directors)	Deborah Mastroli, RN	- Hoag Memorial Hospital
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Cross, RN	- Base Hospital Coordinators	Renee Mazeroll, RN	- Los Alamitos Medical Center
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gagandeep Grewal, MD	- Base Hospital Physician Directors	Virg Narbutas	- West Anaheim Medical Center
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Lekawa, MD	- Trauma Center Directors	Maryle Olivier, RN	- UCI Medical Center
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Lush, RN	- Trauma Nurse Coordinators	Sheila Porter	- Hoag Memorial Hospital
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Philip Puhek, EMT-P	- Fire EMS Coordinators	Patrick Powers	- Powers Mobile Health
<input type="checkbox"/> Phyllis Robby, RN	- PRC Hospital Administrators	Jana Swauger, RN	- Saddleback Memorial Med. Center
<input type="checkbox"/> Karen Sharp, RN	- OC ED Nursing Leadership	Diana Tai	- Mission Hospital
<input type="checkbox"/> Anu Signh, MD	- Managed Care Emerg. Physicians	Robert Viera	- Care Ambulance Service
		Deborah Webber	- Foothill Regional Medical Center
		Wengui Yu, MD	- UCI Medical Center
<u>GUESTS PRESENT</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>	<u>HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF</u>	
Mandie Anderson	- Mission Hospital	Samuel J. Stratton, MD	- EMS Medical Director
Whitney Ayers	- HASC	Denise Fennessey	- Regulatory/Medical Health Services
Larry Botorff	- Foothill Regional Medical Center	Philip Froman, MD	- EMS Physician Specialist
Michael Brout-Sawadzki, MD	- Hoag Memorial Hospital	Laurent Repass	- EMS Information System Chief
Ruth Clark, RN	- O.C. Global Medical Center	Vicki Sweet, RN	- ALS/CQI Coordinator
Philip Fagan, MD	- Foothill Regional Medical Center	David Johnson, RN	- EMS Facilities Coordinator
Jory Gee, MD	- Mission Hospital	Jason Azuma, NRP	- OC-MEDS Coordinator
Sheryl Gradney, RN	- St. Jude Medical Center	Eileen Endo	- Office Specialist
Stephanie Jones, RN	- Foothill Regional Medical Center		
Luis Manjarrez	- Emergency Ambulance Service		

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. INTRODUCTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the January 10, 2017 meeting were approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

- **Medical Director's Report:** Dr. Stratton distributed a schematic on the methods to evacuate pediatric patients in the event of a disaster. Dr. Stratton asked that any comments may be reported to either Dr. Stratton or to David Johnson, OCEMS Facilities Coordinator. Any recommendations will be reported to the EMS' Preparedness and Planning component for inclusion into the schematic. Currently, an adult schematic is being drafted.

- **OCEMS Report:** David Johnson reminded Committee members on how to subscribe to receive EMS announcements/committee agendas, etc; the merger of Health Disaster Managements into EMS; to please allow for sufficient time for parking due to building security and to parking structure construction; to please report any prolonged wall time seen at hospitals; and that Orange County EMS intends to streamline the designation/ re-designation process for emergency receiving and specialty centers. Changes to EMS Policies and Procedures to become effective April 1, 2017 are presently posted to the website. He also provided a brief report on OC-MEDS; the Health Information Exchange pilot project involving Newport Beach Fire and Hoag Memorial Hospital; and the stroke patient registry.

Vicki Sweet provided a brief report on which law enforcements agencies have been approved to administer naloxone in the field.

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Emergency Receiving Center Designation**

David Johnson reported that a site survey of Foothill Regional Medical Center was performed and found no criteria deficiencies. Orange County EMS staff has made a recommendation that the hospital be designated for a period of one year with conditions. He indicated that this type of recommendation is not unusual for a new facility.

MSC: *The Facilities Advisory Committee recommended that the Emergency Medical Care Committee support the designation of Foothill Regional Medical Center as an emergency receiving center with the conditions as stated in the Summary Report.*

- **Stroke System Changes**

Dr. Stratton reported that the attached memo and policy (see Attachment #6) is the announcement distributed on March 8, 2017 regarding the draft policy on Stroke Ready Hospitals. This new policy has been released for a 50-day public comment period (March 9, 2017 through 3:00 pm on April 28, 2017). Public comments may be submitted on the Orange County EMS website. Doctors Michael Brant-Sawadzki, Wengui Yu, and Michael Lekawa stressed the importance of maintaining the current system to ensure that patients receive quality care. Dr. Brant-Sawadzki shared his recent experience in the treatment of a 96-year old woman who was successfully treated using mechanical stroke clot removal who was able to return to her home after a three-day hospital stay. Dr. Yu stressed the importance in ensuring that patients are transported to the most qualified facility to care for the patient. Dr. Lekawa suggested that stroke triage criteria be changed to determine which patients should go to a comprehensive stroke center.

Deborah Mastrolia, a stroke coordinator from Hoag Memorial Hospital reported that she finds there is a great redundancy in the reporting of stroke patients seen at the hospitals as required under the OCEMS stroke registry and guidelines in place by the American Heart Association. She indicated that both Los Angeles and Ventura counties are able to pull data from the AHA data requirements. Dr. Stratton reported that the data requirements from the AHA are not the same since Orange County EMS also requires data from the field.

Renee Mazeroll, the Stroke Coordinator from Los Alamitos Medical Center, reported that her facility holds designations with both Orange and Los Angeles counties. She reported on the methodology used by Los Alamitos Medical Center in reporting patients. Dr. Stratton reported that he would discuss with

Dr. Gausche-Hill, the Los Angeles County EMS Medical Director. Ms. Mazeroll reported that Joint Commission and DNV are looking at to change their designation processes to include a third designation which would be in-between primary and comprehensive stroke designation. Diana Tai, representing Mission Hospital, also asked for a more streamlined process in data entry.

Patrick Powers asked if there is a method of being able to integrate the hospital data with the prehospital care electronic patient care data.

Dr. Stratton recommended that any comments be submitted through our website. Dr. Stratton stressed the importance of data be received from the stroke receiving centers so that we can make a determination of how stroke patients would be triaged. At this time, the plan is to substitute the draft policy to replace Orange County Emergency Medical Services Policy/Procedure #650.00 and OCEMS Policy/Procedure #650.05 with regard to the spoke hospitals effective June 1, 2017.

Dr. Stratton reported that once a list of interested primary stroke centers has been compiled, training will take place and be incorporated into the fall updates for prehospital care personnel. He reported that a meeting with the cardiovascular receiving centers have been scheduled for next Monday (March 27, 2017) to discuss the cardiovascular receiving center system.

- **Base Hospital Program**

Dr. Stratton reported the outcome of the February 14, 2017 Board of Supervisors meeting regarding the public hearing on the updated EMS Fees. Orange County EMS sent a memorandum to the CEOs for each of the base hospitals; Base Hospital Medical Directors, and Base Hospital Coordinators for an ongoing commitment from the base hospitals. At the present time, Orange County EMS has received commitments from four of the base hospitals. Two additional base hospitals also intend to make the commitment to remain as base hospitals. Dr. Stratton outlined the proposals made to decrease the costs to the base hospitals.

Stephanie Lush stressed that any cost savings should not be at the expense of quality patient care. Dr. Lekawa expressed concerns over a political battle occurring at the expense of quality patient care provided to patients in the field.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

VII. NEXT MEETING

Due to a scheduling conflict with a conference hosted by the EMS Administrators Association of California on May 9 and 10, the next Facilities Advisory Committee meeting has been changed to Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.