



FACILITIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE			
<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>		<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter Anderson, MD	- OCMA (ED Physician Directors	Ruth Clark, RN	- Orange County Global Med. Ctr.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gagangdeep Grewal, MD	- Base Hospital Physician Directors	Rachel Hopkins	- Doctor's Ambulance Service
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Lekawa, MD	- Trauma Center Directors	Chris Leo	- UCI Health
<input type="checkbox"/> Anu Singh, MD	- Managed Care Emergency Physicians	David Munoz	- Lifeline Ambulance Service
<input type="checkbox"/> Kenneth McFarland	- PRC Hospital Administration	Rochelle Silsbee	- Providence St. Joseph
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Birkle, RN	- Base Hospital Administration	Ron Taggart	- Doctor's Ambulance Service
<i>Represented by Laura Cross, RN</i>		Robert Viera	- Care Ambulance Service
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Troy Gideon, RN	- OC ED Nursing Leadership	Chris Waddell, RN	- Huntington Beach Hospital
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Lush, RN	- Trauma Nurse Coordinators		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maryle Olivier, RN	- Base Hospital Coordinators		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristin Thompson, RN	- Fire EMS Coordinators		
	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>	<u>OCEMS STAFF PRESENT</u>	
Whitney Ayers	- Hospital Association of S. Calif.	Samuel J. Stratton, MD	- EMS Medical Director
Kristin Christopherson	-- Fountain Valley Regional Hospital	Carl Schultz, MD	- Associate EMS Medical Director
		Mike Delaby, MSN, RN	- Assistant EMS Administrator
		Vicki Sweet, RN	- ALS/CQI Coordinator
		David Johnson, RN	- EMS Facilities Coordinator
		Eileen Endo	- Office Specialist

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

II. **INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Stratton announced that Orange County EMS is in receipt of a letter by Stephen Wontrobski regarding ambulance patient off-load times on the previous day (see Attachment #2). As neither Committee members nor EMS staff has had an opportunity to review the contents of the letter, it will be agendized for the next meeting.

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MSC: **Minutes from the January 16, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted.**

III. **OCEMS REPORT**

– *David Johnson reported:*

- **Public Parking:** Committee members are reminded that public parking is limited to the first level of the parking structure. If the lot is full, parking lot attendants are on hand to direct visitors to alternate parking locations.
- **Sidewalk CPR:** Planning has begun for Sidewalk CPR. Providers interested in hosting a site, may contact Meng Chung, OCEMS BLS Coordinator for additional information.
- **Ambulance Patient Off-Load (APOT) Times:** APOT times for the months of January and February are included as part of the OCEMS Report (please see Attachment #2).
- **Children's Hospital of Orange County Trauma Verification:** The American College of Surgeons has verified Children's Hospital of Orange County as a Level II pediatric trauma center for a period of three years.

- **Hospital Diversion Report (Comparison of Emergency Room Diversion Data for 2017 vs. 2018):**

Attached to the agenda packet is a comparison of ER diversion data on a weekly basis for the past three years (see Attachment #3).

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None presented.

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Emergency Receiving Center Designation**

Mr. Johnson presented the summary report for the designation of Foothill Regional Medical Center as an Emergency Receiving Center. In April 2017, the hospital received a conditional designation for 12 months with conditions. Foothill Regional Medical Center has satisfied all conditions and Orange County EMS is recommending that the hospital receive designation for the remaining two years of a 3-year designation cycle.

MSC: *The Facilities Advisory Subcommittee recommends to the Emergency Medical Care Committee that Foothill Regional Medical Center receive designation for an additional two years (remainder of a 3-year designation cycle).*

- **Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #310.20: Interfacility Transfer Between Acute Care Hospitals Using EMS Transport Providers**

Dr. Stratton reported that this policy describes the various types of resources available to hospitals for the interfacility transfer of patients using a licensed ambulance provider in Orange County. This policy emphasizes the use of Orange County's IFT-ALS program for the transport of patients between acute care facilities. Last year the IFT-ALS program transported over 10,000 patients. Ms. Sweet reported that Orange County EMS policy requires that IFT-ALS providers respond within 30 minutes.

- **Overview of Disaster Preparedness Plans**

Dr. Schultz provided a brief overview of Orange County's disaster preparedness plans. Among the components that he reviewed were the types of events; evacuation of vulnerable patients including those requiring specialized care (such as dialysis patients); enhancing stockpiles; alternative health care sites; loss of transportation for a period of time; etc. Dr. Stratton introduced Dr. Michelle Cheung who outlined how the Triage by Resource Allocations for Inpatients (TRAIN) model would be used in Orange County's evacuation plan. She reported that an OB directory is also being developed. In addition, patients could be transferred within their health care organization, allowing for the transfer of electronic medical records in a more efficient manner. Dr. Stratton reported that included in the handouts, is an article regarding health care facilities and community strategies for patient care surge capacity. He reported there are different components that could be implemented.

In addition, the Orange County Fire Chiefs' Association is revising their Multi-Casualty Incident Plan, which requires the revision of Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #900.00: "Mass Casualty Incident Response Plan." Kristin Thompson provided committee members with a report on the revisions being made to the fire plan. Dr. Schultz provided a report on the progress of the changes to the policy. He requested that Committee members review their patient care capacity inventory to ensure that hospitals are comfortable in accepting the number

of patients listed. Dr. Lekawa suggested the development of a tiered program and the importance of clear communications between the incident scene and the receiving facilities. Dr. Stratton stated that a formal request to the hospitals will be made to review their patient care capacities and that the policy would be released for 50-day review. He outlined the process that would take place in the event of a large incident, which would include notification of the EMS Duty Officer, the activation of the Health EOC, and request any assistance that may be necessary.

VII. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Laura Cross reported that Mission Hospital participated in a drill with the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.

VIII. **NEXT MEETING** – Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.