



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS			
<u>NAME</u>	<u>CATEGORY REPRESENTED</u>	<u>ORANGE COUNTY EMS STAFF</u>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Karras, Chair	- Ambulance Service Provider non-9-1-1	Sam Stratton, MD	-
<input type="checkbox"/> Ayman Alnems, RN	- Orange County Nursing Leadership	Adrian Rodriguez	- EMS Performance Chief
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chad Druten	- Ambulance Service Provider 9-1-1	Vicki Sweet, RN	- ALS/CQI Coordinator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aaron Oshima	- Air Transport Provider	Meng Chung, EMT-P	- BLS Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> Cyndie Strader, RN	- Base Hospital Coordinators (excused)	David Johnson, RN	- Facilities Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> Bryan Johnson, RN	- Fire Service Provider (with transport)	Jason Azuma	- OC-MEDS Coordinator
		Justin Newton	- EMS Specialist
		Andrew Roberts	- EMS Specialist
		Kirstin Wong	- EMS Specialist
		Eileen Endo	- Office Specialist
<u>GUESTS PRESENT</u>			
<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
William Casey	- Cal-Med Ambulance	Jeff Twycross	- Cal-Med Ambulance
Kay Kearney	- American Professional Ambulance	Rob Viera	- Care Ambulance Service
Brittney Oldham	- Lynch Ambulance Service	Jacob Wagoner	- Lynch Ambulance Service
Jamin Salazar	- Horizon Ambulance	Ian Wilson	- PRN
Edmon Tangabekyan	- American Med Ambulance		

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Jim Karras.

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the January 24, 2018 meeting was tabled for approval until the next meeting due to lack of quorum.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

- **OCEMS Report:** Vicki Sweet presented the OCEMS report which included the emergency preparedness program has now become a component of Orange County EMS. The program establishes points of dispensing sites which are used to distribute mass vaccinations or medications and oversees the Medical Reserve Corps which consists of a group of healthcare volunteers used at these sites. She reported on the number of cases where law enforcement personnel have administered Narcan. The American Heart Association’s “Stroke” features an article on the Orange County Stroke Neurology Receiving Center System.
- **9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Contract Performance: Mid-Year Report FY 2017-18 (July 1 to December 31, 2017):** Adrian Rodriguez presented the FY 2017-18 mid-year report. All ambulance service providers exceeded the 90th percentile standard set forth in the contract.
- **2018 Sidewalk CPR:** Attached to the agenda packet is a letter and application form for those provider agencies interested in participating in Sidewalk CPR which will be held from June 3 to June 9, 2018. Interested providers may contact Meng Chung at the information listed in letter. The deadline for registration is May 20, 2018.

- **2018 Quarter 2 Ambulance Count:** Attached to the agenda packet (see attachment #4) is the report for the second quarter indicating the number of licensed vehicles and provider agencies licensed to operate an ambulance service in Orange County. This report shows that 22 licensed ambulance service providers with a total of 436 ambulance vehicles licensed to operate in the County.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT):** Attached to the agenda packet is the report containing APOT data for the period of January 1 to March 31, 2018. Mr. Karras stated that APOT data indicates that times continue to improve.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- **OCEMS Policy/Procedure #300.40: OC-MEDS Confidentiality of Health Care Information:** This policy has been included on today's agenda as an informational item only (Attachment #6). Dr. Stratton reported that an incident occurred where a patient's health information was discussed at the hospital level. A forensic analysis of OC-MEDS was performed and EMS learned that no unauthorized access of the data had taken place. The only manner that a data breach could have occurred is after the data had already been downloaded at the hospital. This incident has proven to show that the OC-MEDS system is secure. This policy establishes the standards and procedures for the use and disclosure of health care information which may contain personal information.

Since the implementation of OC-MEDS, the data are now owned by the provider who completes the medical record. Any public records requests are now referred to the provider who owns the medical record.

Ms. Sweet stressed that while Orange County EMS has the ability to access the records, Orange County EMS does not own the medical records nor does it release the information. She stressed that providers have familiarity with the California Medical Information Act as it is stricter than federal laws.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- **Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC):** Dr. Stratton reported that David Johnson and Vicki Sweet are working with nurses from CHOC to provide online medical direction to field personnel as authorized registered nurses. This is a similar system that has been in place for several years in Maricopa County, Arizona. CHOC also has a helipad which allows them to accept patients from the region.
- **Autopulse Devices:** Dr. Stratton reported that Huntington Beach Fire will be conducting a pilot program on pit crew CPR and he was interested in feedback from educators.
- **OCEMS Policy/Procedure #900.00: Multi-Casualty Incident Plan:** Dr. Stratton reported that this policy has been revised and will be released for 50-day public comment.

VIII. PUBLIC FORUM

IX. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.