



Emergency Medical Care Committee



Friday, January 13, 2023 - 9:00 a.m.

Location: Computer or Cell phone

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. YOU MAY SPEAK ON ANY AGENDA ITEM OR ON A MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA, BUT WHICH IS WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE COMMITTEE.

A G E N D A

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- New EMS Staff

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 14, 2022

(Attachment #1)

Recommended Action: Approve October 14, 2022 minutes.

4. OCEMS REPORT/CORRESPONDENCE

- Medical Director's Report
- Health Emergency Management Report
- Ambulance Patient Off-load Time (APOT) and Hospital Diversion Reports (Attachment #2)
- Bi-Directional Data Exchange Project
- EMCC Correspondence (Attachment #3)

5. EMCC ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS (*Hear Reports*)

- Facilities Advisory Committee (*January 10, 2023*)
- County Prehospital Advisory Committee (*January 11, 2023*)
- Transportation Advisory Committee (*January 4, 2023*)

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Informational Item Only:

- #4520 Ground Ambulance Rates Memo, Policy #714 & BOS resolution (Attachment #4)

7. NEW BUSINESS

Informational Items Only

- Refresher Memo EMS Interventions (#4477) (Attachment #5)
- NEMSIS v3.5 Implementation Plan 01.03.2023 (Letter #4522) (Attachment #6)
- Calling 911 for ICU transfers
- Refusing patients from the field/requiring Base Hospital Contact
- Facility Re-designation update
- ALS Paramedic Unit Changes – Orange County Fire Authority (Attachment #7)

Action Item:

- *Facility Re-designation*
(**Recommended action: Approve designation of Hoag Irvine Medical Center**) (Attachment #8)
- **Temporary Upgrade of a Paramedic Assessment Engine (Newport Beach Fire)** (Attachment #9)
(**Recommended action: Approval of temporary implement of PAU through Feb28, 2023**)
- Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Date Changes
(**Recommended action: Approval of meeting date change for TAC**)

8. MEMBER COMMENTS

9. PUBLIC FORUM

At this time, members of the public may address the Chairman regarding any items within the subject matter of this advisory committee's authority provided that NO action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments are limited to three minutes per person; unless different time limits are set by the Chairman; subject to the approval of the Committee.

10. NEXT MEETING - Friday, April 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., (*location to be determined*)

- EMCC Meeting Dates 2023 (Attachment #10)

11. ADJOURNMENT

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

Friday, October 14, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Location: Via Zoom

MINUTES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Health Care Agency Staff</u>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael S. Ritter, MD	– Orange County Medical Assn. (SOCEP)	Chi Rajalingham	– Assist. Dir., Health Care Agency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arturo Pedroza	– Board of Supervisors, First District	Carl Schultz, MD	– EMS Medical Director,
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larry Grihalva, MICP	– Board of Supervisors, Second District	Almaas Shaikh, MD	– Health Care Agency
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Timothy Munzing, MD	– Board of Supervisors, Third District	Gagandeep Grewal, MD	– Associate EMS Medical Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luis Estevez	– Board of Supervisors, Fourth District	Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN	– Director, EMS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ted Heyming, MD	– Board of Supervisors, Fifth District	Rommel Navarro	– Chief Pharmacist
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert M. Viera	– Ambulance Association of Orange County	Adrian Rodriguez	– EMS Performance Chief
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rebecca Firey	– American Red Cross	Laurent Repass	– EMS Information Systems Chief
<input type="checkbox"/> Anthony Kuo	– City Selection Committee	Danielle Ogaz	– EMS Systems & Standards Chief
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Killebrew	– Orange County City Managers Association	Wayne Tolosa	– HEM Chief
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chief Adam Loeser	– Orange County Fire Chief Association	Denamarie Baker	– Sr. Emergency Management Coord.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> David Gibbs, MD	– Orange County Medical Association	Jason Azuma, NRP	– OC-MEDS Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief Stu Greenberg	– Orange County Police Chiefs' & Sheriffs Assn.	Philip Grieve, EMT-P	– ALS Coordinator
		Meng Chung	– BLS Coordinator
		Erica Moojen	– EMS Office Supervisor
		Eileen Endo	– Office Specialist
		Lisa Wilson	– Information Processing Technician
GUESTS PRESENT			
Julia Afrasiabi, RN	– UCI Medical Center	Vishal Raj	– Falck Mobile Health Corp.
Colette Baeza, RN	– UCI Medical Center	Adrianna Nieto-Sayegh, RN	– Laguna Beach Comm. Clinic
Dave Barry	– Anaheim Fire Department	Alaine Schauer, RN	– Mission Hospital
Rob Capobianco	– Orange County Fire Authority	Genise Silva, RN	– Orange County Global Med. Ctr.
Laura Cross, RN	– Mission Hospital	Laurent Tarzjani	– Anaheim Fire Department
Beckie Gomez	– City of Tustin	Tetsuo Takeuchi, MD	– Mission Hospital
Ted Lavino	– One Heart	Kristin Thompson, RN	– Newport Beach Fire Department
John Maier	– Huntington Beach Hospital	Jacob Wagoner	– Lynch Ambulance Service
Brenda Mercado		Bill Weston	– Emergency Ambulance Service
Kimberly Nichols, RN	– Placentia Linda Hospital	Scott White	– Falck Mobile Health Corp.
Meghann Ord, RN	– Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian	Heidi Yttri, RN	– St. Jude Medical Center
Patrick Powers, EMT-P	– City of Placentia	Kim Zaky, RN	– CHOC Children's Hospital

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Dr. Michael Ritter, MD.

2. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the July 8, 2022, meeting were approved.

4. OCEMS REPORT

- **Medical Director's Report**

- **Health Emergency Management Report**

Dr. Grewal reported that APOT greater than 60 minutes in effect over 1 month. Mike Killebrew asked about APOT regarding arrival on scene. Tammi McConnell answered that the County in response to EOA January report taken down. May bring this up at the end of the agenda. We have APOT & Diversion dashboards. We had information internal - reluctant to share it. Asked by hospitals to put it up so they could see their own APOT by day and compare themselves to other hospitals.

Dr. Grewal reported that the COVID-19 case rates are decreasing to under seven per gradual decline. Swapped variant for another one. Hospital admissions declined. Flu season is significant in Australia. Still mild in California. Everyone is encouraged to get the flu vaccine. Omicron variant is substantial. Ebola reared its ugly head of 70 cases with 39 deaths. Virus spread to capitol. It might spread across us. Dr. Schultz is monitoring communication with local health department and will advise prehospital if things change.

AOC is winding down, still supporting vaccine mobile pods. The AOC has excess surplus. Hospitals can place an order, if any surplus items are needed. Training on Radiation is November 17. Mobile field shelter training is October 25, 26 & 27. National HCC conference is October 29 through November 1. Virtual 27-28, EMSA conference is November 3.

- **Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT) Report and Diversion Report: July to December 2022**

APOT & Diversion times in July through December were higher than normal. We are monitoring closely. 36 minutes last 3 months. Greatest amount of transport we have ever seen in the last 3 months. This correlates to diversion. Data display busier out there indicators of Stress. The numbers are updated every day.

- **Bi-Directional Exchange Project**

Laurent Repass Bi-Directional countywide project funded by CDC. Quality Assurance, System Surveillance due date by end of next year. Two-thirds of hospitals signed contract. Working with several hospitals. UCI is leader of the pack. Memorial Care and Kaiser engaged with them. Laurent will continue to give updates about the project.

- **EMCC Correspondence**

Tammi McConnell Correspondence - Medical changes of policy

Laurent Repass Several documents reflect on what has been going on since October 1. Every 6 months April New policies – updates or deleted. Most are optional for 6 months then mandatory after 6 months. Synopsis of what was done for each policy document has been around for a while.

- **FY 2021-22 EMCC Report**

V. EMCC ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE AND ADVISORY GROUP REPORTS by Carl Schultz

- **Facilities Advisory Committee (September 12, 2022) by Carl Schultz**

Facilities Advisory Committee meeting discussed the major topics that were mentioned today. The next Facilities Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for November 8, 2022.

- **County Prehospital Advisory Committee (September 14, 2022) by Carl Schultz**

This Committee discussed policy #300.30, which went into effect in April 2022, but remained optional until October 2022. The next CPAC meeting is scheduled for November 9, 2022.

- **Transportation Advisory Committee (October 5, 2022) by Rob Viera**

Annual inspection time. One Hundred Thirty Seven ambulances were inspected with only one failure. OC MEDS system align. Supply chain issues delay. Ambulance rate adjustment. The next TAC meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2023.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **Proposed Ambulance Rate Adjustment by Tammi McConnell**

Recommended Action: *Endorse Recommendation*

Agenda items and what is done for the year is sent to the state and filed. No action needed on that part.

Endorsement of proposal at bottom of page 25 EMCC representative on phone. Call if any more questions.

- Mike Killebrew Public comments from Fire Authority question. Steve Capobianco meeting with Fire next week outstanding issue – *understand position, should not wait regarding BLS Rate holding up in County could help in cities. City relies on methodology increase in county rates.*
- Mike Killebrew Medical supply rate issue between OCFA and County – *still working on it.*
- Mike Killebrew Cities members of contract – *County Contracts covers 19 cities. Historically County Fire Dept and County transportation. OCFA 24 cities. Not all equal rates. Did not start on the same plane. County \$200. Anaheim \$300. Part of the dispute that we have now with medical supplies rate costs payback to OCFA. Years of Medicare billing and kickback of bill Medicare no longer allowed for indirect costs in cost of medical supply – drive car to station, ambulance companies that bill Medicare at risk regarding anti-trust program. They have to start paying.*
- Kristin Thompson from Newport Beach Fire department Public agencies that transport do not look at county rates for fee studies. All internal fee studies for rates.
- Dave Barry from Anaheim Fire department Standby Hospital Rate starts the minute of arrival at hospital to standby. We aligned timing to be the same as LA County.
- Robert Viera made motion to approve – Art Pedroza 1st – David Gibbs 2nd

VII. NEW BUSINESS
None

VIII. MEMBER COMMENTS
None

IX. PUBLIC FORUM
None made.

X. NEXT MEETING
The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 13, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (location to be determined)

XI. ADJOURNMENT
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Ambulance Patient Offload Time (APOT-1) Report
October 2022

Hospital	2022 Totals			October 2022				
	Transports	90th Percentile APOT (Min:Sec)	Diversion Hours	Transports	90th Percentile APOT (Min:Sec)	Mean APOT (Min:Sec)	Median APOT (Min:Sec)	Diversion Hours
Anaheim Global Medical Center	3,139	37:33	96	346	34:12	15:46	11:48	2
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	4,996	38:18	407	452	36:18	17:37	14:00	110
Chapman Global Medical Center	798	9:40	16	126	10:49	5:36	3:59	0
Children's Hospital of Orange County	3,856	15:30	4	467	18:20	9:12	6:46	4
Foothill Regional Medical Center	906	34:20	31	69	33:05	13:21	8:14	0
Fountain Valley Reg Hosp and MC	6,342	41:54	666	698	44:42	20:07	13:28	31
Garden Grove Hosp and MC	4,589	40:00	212	469	35:26	17:48	12:51	18
Hoag Hospital Irvine	6,529	23:32	968	680	21:35	12:12	10:00	40
Hoag Memorial Hosp Presbyterian	17,215	16:22	280	1,734	15:22	9:19	8:43	40
Huntington Beach Hospital	4,518	39:56	225	447	34:51	17:53	11:42	28
Kaiser Permanente - Anaheim MC	4,515	46:59	325	455	47:46	24:18	18:13	44
Kaiser Permanente - Irvine MC	4,601	37:52	68	453	36:15	18:30	13:47	0
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	2,864	43:50	18	305	65:29	24:21	13:51	4
Los Alamitos Medical Center	5,744	61:33	687	548	61:44	28:14	19:24	124
Mission Hospital - Laguna Beach	3,143	39:30	141	212	34:31	17:12	13:05	0
Mission Hospital Regional MC	13,168	36:05	733	1,368	33:57	16:58	13:19	14
Orange Coast Memorial MC	4,922	31:00	1022	490	27:07	14:57	12:00	162
Orange County Global MC	7,234	27:55	502	776	28:11	13:19	8:29	37
Placentia Linda Hospital	4,336	23:11	30	424	18:01	10:52	7:39	2
Saddleback Memorial MC	8,081	24:30	525	793	21:05	12:03	10:28	33
South Coast Global Medical Center	2,199	22:42	15	253	23:05	12:07	8:59	0
St. Joseph Hospital	10,622	27:27	550	1,075	26:42	12:56	9:09	50
St. Jude Medical Center	12,627	38:13	287	1,283	37:07	17:43	13:14	41
UCI Medical Center	9,052	31:21	2217	924	31:58	13:22	6:48	197
West Anaheim Medical Center	7,669	57:49	297	826	50:46	23:18	17:00	66

Median Hospital 90th Percentile APOT Time 36:05
InterQuartile Range 26:43, 39:57

33:57
23:05, 36:18

OC EMS System Total (Aggregate)	153,665	33:49
OCEMS System Mean APOT Time		16:13
Standard Deviation	+/-	18:05
OCEMS System Median APOT Time		10:58
InterQuartile Range		6:20, 19:00

15,673	32:36
	15:36
+/-	16:27
	10:47
	6:11, 18:41

Diversion Hours 1048
Diversion Days 31 of 31
Hospitals/Day Range 3-15/day
Transports w/ APOT 30-60min 1367
Transports w/ APOT >60min 397



Ambulance Patient Offload Time (APOT-1) Report
November 2022

Hospital	2022 Totals			November 2022				
	Transports	90th Percentile APOT (Min:Sec)	Diversion Hours	Transports	90th Percentile APOT (Min:Sec)	Mean APOT (Min:Sec)	Median APOT (Min:Sec)	Diversion Hours
Anaheim Global Medical Center	3,533	38:57	101	394	41:57	19:39	12:10	5
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	5,527	38:02	512	531	37:16	17:40	14:00	105
Chapman Global Medical Center	950	9:53	21	152	12:37	5:44	4:00	4
Children's Hospital of Orange County	4,355	15:36	4	499	15:55	8:42	7:18	0
Foothill Regional Medical Center	1,019	35:35	35	113	39:14	18:27	10:17	4
Fountain Valley Reg Hosp and MC	7,091	42:35	779	749	48:15	21:28	14:37	113
Garden Grove Hosp and MC	5,083	41:01	274	494	49:45	23:29	16:01	62
Hoag Hospital Irvine	7,145	23:25	1102	616	22:11	12:13	10:00	134
Hoag Memorial Hosp Presbyterian	18,810	16:18	354	1,595	15:47	9:34	8:43	74
Huntington Beach Hospital	4,963	38:53	318	445	27:42	15:15	10:37	93
Kaiser Permanente - Anaheim MC	4,972	47:50	394	457	53:33	26:27	20:21	69
Kaiser Permanente - Irvine MC	5,148	38:43	97	547	49:30	22:51	16:28	29
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	3,211	48:46	33	347	75:45	29:53	18:22	15
Los Alamitos Medical Center	6,211	62:11	959	467	74:04	31:46	22:29	272
Mission Hospital - Laguna Beach	3,416	39:00	149	273	32:56	17:31	13:21	8
Mission Hospital Regional MC	14,603	36:12	791	1,435	37:22	19:05	14:53	58
Orange Coast Memorial MC	5,456	31:00	1216	534	31:04	16:39	13:17	194
Orange County Global MC	7,988	28:02	594	754	30:58	14:35	8:26	92
Placentia Linda Hospital	4,872	23:52	50	536	33:09	14:31	9:02	20
Saddleback Memorial MC	8,950	24:25	595	869	23:34	13:19	11:11	70
South Coast Global Medical Center	2,481	24:08	19	282	34:10	15:44	10:14	4
St. Joseph Hospital	11,646	27:33	668	1,024	28:34	13:52	9:32	119
St. Jude Medical Center	13,881	38:17	377	1,254	38:55	19:11	14:37	90
UCI Medical Center	9,964	31:39	2462	912	33:37	13:59	7:16	245
West Anaheim Medical Center	8,501	59:14	367	832	71:43	30:09	19:15	69

Median Hospital 90th Percentile APOT Time 36:12
InterQuartile Range 26:46, 39:30

34:10
28:34, 48:15

OC EMS System Total (Aggregate)	169,776	34:07
OCEMS System Mean APOT Time	16:20	
Standard Deviation	+/- 18:10	
OCEMS System Median APOT Time	11:00	
InterQuartile Range	6:22, 19:07	

16,111	37:29
17:28	
+/- 18:55	
11:32	
6:40, 20:32	

Diversion Hours 1949
Diversion Days 30 of 30
Hospitals/Day Range 1-20/day
Transports w/ APOT 30-60min 1657
Transports w/ APOT >60min 622



Ambulance Patient Offload Time (APOT-1) Report
December 2022

Hospital	2022 Totals			December 2022				
	Transports	90th Percentile APOT (Min:Sec)	Diversion Hours	Transports	90th Percentile APOT (Min:Sec)	Mean APOT (Min:Sec)	Median APOT (Min:Sec)	Diversion Hours
Anaheim Global Medical Center	3,885	38:35	104	352	37:55	16:36	10:57	3
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	6,089	38:17	626	562	39:20	19:26	15:09	114
Chapman Global Medical Center	1,104	10:18	33	154	10:29	6:51	4:58	12
Children's Hospital of Orange County	4,808	15:36	4	453	15:40	7:56	6:11	0
Foothill Regional Medical Center	1,141	34:36	39	122	29:37	16:08	10:43	3
Fountain Valley Reg Hosp and MC	7,631	42:57	1039	540	47:04	20:51	12:58	260
Garden Grove Hosp and MC	5,503	42:42	434	420	65:32	28:11	17:27	161
Hoag Hospital Irvine	7,716	23:39	1366	571	25:01	13:23	10:19	265
Hoag Memorial Hosp Presbyterian	20,600	16:21	484	1,790	17:09	10:07	9:03	130
Huntington Beach Hospital	5,469	38:46	464	506	37:45	17:39	10:18	146
Kaiser Permanente - Anaheim MC	5,439	48:40	442	467	56:39	26:32	17:47	48
Kaiser Permanente - Irvine MC	5,802	38:46	123	654	39:08	20:55	15:00	26
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	3,556	55:06	87	345	79:20	32:14	17:26	54
Los Alamitos Medical Center	6,723	62:16	1230	512	63:01	28:40	20:00	270
Mission Hospital - Laguna Beach	3,777	39:02	189	361	42:12	21:49	16:05	40
Mission Hospital Regional MC	16,129	36:16	912	1,526	36:44	18:25	14:28	121
Orange Coast Memorial MC	5,924	31:25	1549	468	33:22	17:29	14:04	333
Orange County Global MC	8,678	28:34	739	690	34:08	15:19	9:27	145
Placentia Linda Hospital	5,402	24:51	56	530	32:13	14:04	9:26	6
Saddleback Memorial MC	9,892	24:20	738	942	23:28	13:27	11:17	143
South Coast Global Medical Center	2,826	24:46	23	345	30:10	15:18	10:32	4
St. Joseph Hospital	12,792	27:41	770	1,146	30:00	14:09	9:57	102
St. Jude Medical Center	15,281	38:34	437	1,400	40:41	19:23	14:24	60
UCI Medical Center	11,030	32:35	2663	1,066	43:18	16:51	7:20	200
West Anaheim Medical Center	9,280	61:07	563	779	80:50	31:43	18:45	197

Median Hospital 90th Percentile APOT Time 36:16
InterQuartile Range 26:59, 39:57

37:45
30:00, 43:18

OC EMS System Total (Aggregate)	186,477	34:28
OCEMS System Mean APOT Time		16:28
Standard Deviation		+/- 18:24
OCEMS System Median APOT Time		11:01
InterQuartile Range		6:23, 19:17

16,701	37:40
	17:47
	+/- 20:34
	11:47
	6:41, 20:52

Diversion Hours 2844
Diversion Days 31 of 31
Hospitals/Day Range 4-20/day
Transports w/ APOT 30-60min 1674
Transports w/ APOT >60min 667

County of Orange
Health Care Agency
Emergency Medical Services



Emergency Receiving Center Diversion Report
October 2022

Hospital	2022 Totals							October 2022						
	Volume	APOT 90th%	ED Hrs (%)	CT Hrs (%)	Cardiac Hrs (%)	Neuro Hrs (%)	Trauma Hrs (%)	Volume	APOT 90th%	ED Hrs (%)	CT Hrs (%)	Cardiac Hrs (%)	Neuro Hrs (%)	Trauma Hrs (%)
North Region	29,613	37:11	1145 (3.6%)	159 (0.4%)	24 (0.2%)	29 (0.4%)	NA	2,960	36:55	199 (5.3%)	29 (0.8%)	7 (0.5%)	12 (1.6%)	NA
Anaheim Global Medical Center	3,139	37:33	96 (1.5%)	53 (0.7%)	NA	NA	NA	346	34:12	2 (0.2%)	1 (0.1%)	NA	NA	NA
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	4,996	38:18	407 (6.4%)	92 (1.3%)	7 (0.1%)	NA	NA	452	36:18	110 (14.8%)	19 (2.6%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA
Kaiser Permanente - Anaheim MC	4,515	46:59	325 (5.1%)	15 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA	455	47:46	44 (5.9%)	9 (1.3%)	NA	NA	NA
Placentia Linda Hospital	4,336	23:11	30 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	424	18:01	2 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
St. Jude Medical Center	12,627	38:13	287 (4.5%)	0 (0.0%)	17 (0.2%)	29 (0.4%)	NA	1,283	37:07	41 (5.5%)	0 (0.0%)	7 (0.9%)	12 (1.6%)	NA
South Region	35,522	31:28	2435 (7.7%)	94 (0.3%)	133 (0.6%)	424 (2.9%)	0 (0.0%)	3,506	28:56	88 (2.4%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (0.3%)	71 (4.8%)	0 (0.0%)
Hoag Hospital Irvine	6,529	23:32	968 (15.2%)	0 (0.0%)	77 (1.1%)	NA	NA	680	21:35	40 (5.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA
Kaiser Permanente - Irvine MC	4,601	37:52	68 (1.1%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	453	36:15	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Mission Hospital - Laguna Beach	3,143	39:30	141 (2.2%)	93 (1.3%)	NA	NA	NA	212	34:31	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Mission Hospital Regional MC	13,168	36:05	733 (11.5%)	0 (0.0%)	51 (0.7%)	117 (1.6%)	0 (0.0%)	1,368	33:57	14 (1.9%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (0.9%)	71 (9.5%)	0 (0.0%)
Saddleback Memorial MC	8,081	24:30	525 (8.3%)	1 (0.0%)	5 (0.1%)	307 (4.2%)	NA	793	21:05	33 (4.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA
West Region	16,277	54:50	1003 (5.3%)	9 (0.0%)	790 (5.4%)	362 (5.0%)	NA	1,679	51:37	195 (8.7%)	0 (0.0%)	7 (0.5%)	7 (1.0%)	NA
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	2,864	43:50	18 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	305	65:29	4 (0.6%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Los Alamitos Medical Center	5,744	01:33	687 (10.8%)	2 (0.0%)	361 (5.0%)	362 (5.0%)	NA	548	61:44	124 (16.7%)	0 (0.0%)	7 (0.9%)	7 (1.0%)	NA
West Anaheim Medical Center	7,669	57:49	297 (4.7%)	7 (0.1%)	429 (5.9%)	NA	NA	826	50:46	66 (8.9%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA
Central Region	42,493	30:30	4167 (9.4%)	128 (1.7%)	1459 (5.0%)	1343 (4.6%)	323 (1.5%)	4,535	30:23	336 (6.5%)	12 (0.2%)	265 (8.9%)	286 (9.6%)	13 (0.6%)
Chapman Global Medical Center	798	09:40	16 (0.3%)	35 (0.5%)	NA	NA	NA	126	10:49	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Children's Hospital of OC	3,856	15:30	4 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	0 (0.0%)	467	18:20	4 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	0 (0.0%)
Fountain Valley Reg Hosp and MC	6,342	41:54	666 (10.5%)	44 (0.6%)	1165 (16.0%)	1050 (14.4%)	NA	698	44:42	31 (4.1%)	0 (0.0%)	139 (18.7%)	142 (19.1%)	NA
Garden Grove Hosp and MC	4,589	40:00	212 (3.3%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	469	35:26	18 (2.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange County Global MC	7,234	27:55	502 (7.9%)	8 (0.1%)	177 (2.4%)	135 (1.8%)	243 (3.3%)	776	28:11	37 (5.0%)	0 (0.0%)	17 (2.3%)	16 (2.1%)	10 (1.4%)
St. Joseph Hospital	10,622	27:27	550 (8.6%)	41 (0.6%)	20 (0.3%)	55 (0.8%)	NA	1,075	26:42	50 (6.7%)	12 (1.6%)	13 (1.7%)	25 (3.3%)	NA
UCI Medical Center	9,052	31:21	2217 (34.9%)	0 (0.0%)	96 (1.3%)	104 (1.4%)	79 (1.1%)	924	31:58	197 (26.4%)	0 (0.0%)	96 (12.9%)	104 (13.9%)	3 (0.4%)
Coastal Region	29,760	21:44	1573 (4.9%)	209 (2.9%)	5 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	2,993	20:13	230 (6.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA
Foothill Regional Medical Center	906	34:20	31 (0.5%)	26 (0.4%)	NA	NA	NA	69	33:05	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Hoag Memorial Hosp Presbyterian	17,215	16:22	280 (4.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	1,734	15:22	40 (5.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA
Huntington Beach Hospital	4,518	39:56	225 (3.5%)	15 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA	447	34:51	28 (3.8%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange Coast Memorial MC	4,922	31:00	1022 (16.1%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (0.1%)	NA	NA	490	27:07	162 (21.7%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA
South Coast Global MC	2,199	22:42	15 (0.2%)	168 (2.3%)	NA	NA	NA	253	23:05	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange County EMS System	153,665	33:49	10323 (6.5%)	599 (0.3%)	2411 (2.4%)	2159 (3.3%)	323 (1.1%)	15,673	32:36	1048 (5.6%)	41 (0.2%)	285 (2.7%)	376 (5.6%)	13 (0.4%)

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North Region	32,785	37:34	1434 (4.0%)	185 (0.5%)	219 (1.4%)	119 (1.5%)	NA	3,172	40:24	289 (7.8%)	26 (0.7%)	195 (13.1%)	90 (12.1%)	NA
Anaheim Global Medical Center	3,533	38:57	101 (1.4%)	53 (0.7%)	NA	NA	NA	394	41:57	5 (0.7%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	5,527	38:02	512 (7.2%)	118 (1.5%)	111 (1.4%)	NA	NA	531	37:16	105 (14.1%)	26 (3.4%)	105 (14.1%)	NA	NA
Kaiser Permanente - Anaheim MC	4,972	47:50	394 (5.6%)	15 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA	457	53:33	69 (9.3%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Placentia Linda Hospital	4,872	23:52	50 (0.7%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	536	33:09	20 (2.7%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
St. Jude Medical Center	13,881	38:17	377 (5.3%)	0 (0.0%)	108 (1.3%)	119 (1.5%)	NA	1,254	38:55	90 (12.1%)	0 (0.0%)	90 (12.1%)	90 (12.1%)	NA
South Region	39,262	31:42	2734 (7.7%)	94 (0.2%)	394 (1.6%)	551 (3.4%)	0 (0.0%)	3,740	33:12	299 (8.0%)	0 (0.0%)	261 (11.7%)	127 (8.5%)	0 (0.0%)
Hoag Hospital Irvine	7,145	23:25	1102 (15.6%)	0 (0.0%)	211 (2.6%)	NA	NA	616	22:11	134 (18.0%)	0 (0.0%)	135 (18.1%)	NA	NA
Kaiser Permanente - Irvine MC	5,148	38:43	97 (1.4%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	547	49:30	29 (3.9%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Mission Hospital - Laguna Beach	3,416	39:00	149 (2.1%)	93 (1.2%)	NA	NA	NA	273	32:56	8 (1.1%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Mission Hospital Regional MC	14,603	36:12	791 (11.2%)	0 (0.0%)	109 (1.4%)	175 (2.2%)	0 (0.0%)	1,435	37:22	58 (7.8%)	0 (0.0%)	58 (7.8%)	58 (7.9%)	0 (0.0%)
Saddleback Memorial MC	8,950	24:25	595 (8.4%)	1 (0.0%)	74 (0.9%)	376 (4.7%)	NA	869	23:34	70 (9.4%)	0 (0.0%)	69 (9.2%)	69 (9.2%)	NA
West Region	17,923	56:21	1359 (6.4%)	9 (0.0%)	1132 (7.1%)	633 (7.9%)	NA	1,646	08:20	356 (16.0%)	0 (0.0%)	342 (23.0%)	271 (36.4%)	NA
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	3,211	48:46	33 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	347	75:45	15 (2.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Los Alamitos Medical Center	6,211	02:11	959 (13.5%)	2 (0.0%)	634 (7.9%)	633 (7.9%)	NA	467	74:04	272 (36.6%)	0 (0.0%)	273 (36.7%)	271 (36.4%)	NA
West Anaheim Medical Center	8,501	59:14	367 (5.2%)	7 (0.1%)	498 (6.2%)	NA	NA	832	71:43	69 (9.3%)	0 (0.0%)	69 (9.3%)	NA	NA
Central Region	47,077	30:51	4802 (9.7%)	156 (2.0%)	2074 (6.5%)	1950 (6.1%)	352 (1.5%)	4,584	34:13	636 (12.2%)	29 (0.6%)	615 (20.7%)	607 (20.4%)	30 (1.3%)
Chapman Global Medical Center	950	09:53	21 (0.3%)	43 (0.5%)	NA	NA	NA	152	12:37	4 (0.6%)	7 (1.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Children's Hospital of OC	4,355	15:36	4 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	0 (0.0%)	499	15:55	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	0 (0.0%)
Fountain Valley Reg Hosp and MC	7,091	42:35	779 (11.0%)	44 (0.5%)	1313 (16.4%)	1198 (14.9%)	NA	749	48:15	113 (15.2%)	0 (0.0%)	148 (19.9%)	148 (19.9%)	NA
Garden Grove Hosp and MC	5,083	41:01	274 (3.9%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	494	49:45	62 (8.3%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange County Global MC	7,988	28:02	594 (8.4%)	8 (0.1%)	277 (3.5%)	227 (2.8%)	265 (3.3%)	754	30:58	92 (12.3%)	0 (0.0%)	100 (13.5%)	92 (12.4%)	22 (2.9%)
St. Joseph Hospital	11,646	27:33	668 (9.4%)	62 (0.8%)	139 (1.7%)	175 (2.2%)	NA	1,024	28:34	119 (16.0%)	21 (2.9%)	119 (16.0%)	121 (16.2%)	NA
UCI Medical Center	9,964	31:39	2462 (34.8%)	0 (0.0%)	344 (4.3%)	350 (4.4%)	87 (1.1%)	912	33:37	245 (33.0%)	0 (0.0%)	248 (33.3%)	246 (33.1%)	8 (1.1%)
Coastal Region	32,729	21:42	1943 (5.5%)	211 (2.6%)	265 (1.7%)	74 (0.9%)	NA	2,969	21:08	369 (9.9%)	2 (0.0%)	259 (17.4%)	74 (10.0%)	NA
Foothill Regional Medical Center	1,019	35:35	35 (0.5%)	28 (0.3%)	NA	NA	NA	113	39:14	4 (0.5%)	2 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA
Hoag Memorial Hosp Presbyterian	18,810	16:18	354 (5.0%)	0 (0.0%)	74 (1.0%)	74 (1.1%)	NA	1,595	15:47	74 (9.9%)	0 (0.0%)	74 (10.0%)	74 (10.0%)	NA
Huntington Beach Hospital	4,963	38:53	318 (4.5%)	15 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA	445	27:42	93 (12.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange Coast Memorial MC	5,456	31:00	1216 (17.2%)	0 (0.0%)	190 (2.7%)	NA	NA	534	31:04	194 (26.1%)	0 (0.0%)	185 (24.9%)	NA	NA
South Coast Global MC	2,481	24:08	19 (0.3%)	168 (2.1%)	NA	NA	NA	282	34:10	4 (0.6%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange County EMS System	169,776	34:07	12272 (6.9%)	655 (0.3%)	4084 (3.6%)	3328 (4.6%)	352 (1.1%)	16,111	37:29	1949 (10.5%)	56 (0.3%)	1673 (16.1%)	1170 (17.5%)	30 (1.0%)

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North Region	36,096	37:50	1665 (4.3%)	189 (0.4%)	396 (2.3%)	180 (2.0%)	NA	3,311	39:51	231 (6.2%)	4 (0.1%)	177 (11.9%)	60 (8.1%)	NA
Anaheim Global Medical Center	3,885	38:35	104 (1.3%)	54 (0.6%)	NA	NA	NA	352	37:55	3 (0.4%)	1 (0.1%)	NA	NA	NA
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	6,089	38:17	626 (8.0%)	120 (1.4%)	226 (2.6%)	NA	NA	562	39:20	114 (15.3%)	3 (0.4%)	115 (15.4%)	NA	NA
Kaiser Permanente - Anaheim MC	5,439	48:40	442 (5.6%)	15 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA	467	56:39	48 (6.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Placentia Linda Hospital	5,402	24:51	56 (0.7%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	530	32:13	6 (0.8%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
St. Jude Medical Center	15,281	38:34	437 (5.6%)	0 (0.0%)	170 (1.9%)	180 (2.0%)	NA	1,400	40:41	60 (8.1%)	0 (0.0%)	62 (8.3%)	60 (8.1%)	NA
South Region	43,316	31:50	3329 (8.5%)	101 (0.2%)	925 (3.5%)	827 (4.7%)	0 (0.0%)	4,054	32:59	595 (16.0%)	7 (0.2%)	531 (23.8%)	276 (18.5%)	0 (0.0%)
Hoag Hospital Irvine	7,716	23:39	1366 (17.5%)	0 (0.0%)	477 (5.4%)	NA	NA	571	25:01	265 (35.6%)	0 (0.0%)	266 (35.7%)	NA	NA
Kaiser Permanente - Irvine MC	5,802	38:44	123 (1.6%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	654	38:49	26 (3.5%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Mission Hospital - Laguna Beach	3,777	39:02	189 (2.4%)	100 (1.1%)	NA	NA	NA	361	42:12	40 (5.4%)	7 (0.9%)	NA	NA	NA
Mission Hospital Regional MC	16,129	36:16	912 (11.7%)	0 (0.0%)	230 (2.6%)	307 (3.5%)	0 (0.0%)	1,526	36:44	121 (16.2%)	0 (0.0%)	121 (16.3%)	132 (17.7%)	0 (0.0%)
Saddleback Memorial MC	9,892	24:20	738 (9.4%)	1 (0.0%)	218 (2.5%)	520 (5.9%)	NA	942	23:28	143 (19.3%)	0 (0.0%)	144 (19.4%)	144 (19.4%)	NA
West Region	19,559	57:21	1880 (8.0%)	9 (0.0%)	1607 (9.2%)	923 (10.5%)	NA	1,636	11:03	521 (23.3%)	0 (0.0%)	475 (31.9%)	290 (39.0%)	NA
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	3,556	55:17	87 (1.1%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	345	83:18	54 (7.2%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Los Alamitos Medical Center	6,723	02:16	1230 (15.7%)	2 (0.0%)	906 (10.3%)	923 (10.5%)	NA	512	63:01	270 (36.3%)	0 (0.0%)	271 (36.5%)	290 (39.0%)	NA
West Anaheim Medical Center	9,280	01:07	563 (7.2%)	7 (0.1%)	702 (8.0%)	NA	NA	779	80:50	197 (26.4%)	0 (0.0%)	204 (27.4%)	NA	NA
Central Region	51,546	31:18	5683 (10.4%)	157 (1.8%)	2958 (8.4%)	2825 (8.1%)	406 (1.5%)	4,469	36:26	880 (16.9%)	1 (0.0%)	884 (29.7%)	874 (29.4%)	54 (2.4%)
Chapman Global Medical Center	1,104	10:18	33 (0.4%)	43 (0.5%)	NA	NA	NA	154	10:29	12 (1.6%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Children's Hospital of OC	4,808	15:36	4 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	0 (0.0%)	453	15:40	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	0 (0.0%)
Fountain Valley Reg Hosp and MC	7,631	42:57	1039 (13.3%)	44 (0.5%)	1729 (19.7%)	1603 (18.3%)	NA	540	47:04	260 (34.9%)	0 (0.0%)	416 (55.9%)	405 (54.5%)	NA
Garden Grove Hosp and MC	5,503	42:43	434 (5.6%)	1 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA	420	65:43	161 (21.6%)	1 (0.1%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange County Global MC	8,678	28:34	739 (9.4%)	8 (0.1%)	442 (5.0%)	372 (4.3%)	313 (3.6%)	690	34:17	145 (19.5%)	0 (0.0%)	165 (22.2%)	146 (19.6%)	48 (6.4%)
St. Joseph Hospital	12,792	27:41	770 (9.8%)	62 (0.7%)	242 (2.8%)	298 (3.4%)	NA	1,146	30:00	102 (13.7%)	0 (0.0%)	102 (13.7%)	123 (16.5%)	NA
UCI Medical Center	11,030	32:35	2663 (34.0%)	0 (0.0%)	545 (6.2%)	551 (6.3%)	93 (1.1%)	1,066	43:18	200 (26.9%)	0 (0.0%)	201 (27.0%)	201 (27.0%)	6 (0.8%)
Coastal Region	35,960	21:56	2559 (6.5%)	222 (2.5%)	730 (4.2%)	205 (2.3%)	NA	3,231	23:20	616 (16.6%)	11 (0.3%)	465 (31.2%)	130 (17.5%)	NA
Foothill Regional Medical Center	1,141	34:36	39 (0.5%)	33 (0.4%)	NA	NA	NA	122	29:37	3 (0.4%)	6 (0.8%)	NA	NA	NA
Hoag Memorial Hosp Presbyterian	20,600	16:21	484 (6.2%)	0 (0.0%)	205 (2.6%)	205 (2.6%)	NA	1,790	17:09	130 (17.5%)	0 (0.0%)	130 (17.5%)	130 (17.5%)	NA
Huntington Beach Hospital	5,469	38:46	464 (5.9%)	15 (0.2%)	NA	NA	NA	506	37:45	146 (19.6%)	0 (0.0%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange Coast Memorial MC	5,924	31:25	1549 (19.8%)	0 (0.0%)	525 (6.7%)	NA	NA	468	33:22	333 (44.8%)	0 (0.0%)	334 (45.0%)	NA	NA
South Coast Global MC	2,826	24:46	23 (0.3%)	174 (2.0%)	NA	NA	NA	345	30:10	4 (0.5%)	5 (0.7%)	NA	NA	NA
Orange County EMS System	186,477	34:28	15115 (7.7%)	678 (0.3%)	6615 (5.4%)	4960 (6.3%)	406 (1.2%)	16,701	37:38	2844 (15.3%)	23 (0.1%)	2532 (24.3%)	1631 (24.4%)	54 (1.8%)



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TO: Michael Ritter, MD, Emergency Medical Care Committee Chair
Health Care Agency/Emergency Medical Services

SUBJECT: Recommendation of the Transportation Advisory Subcommittee of the Emergency Medical Care Committee Regarding the Proposed Ground Emergency Ambulance Services Basic Life support Rates Adjustment

On October 5, 2022, the Transportation Advisory Subcommittee of the Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) reviewed and endorsed the calculated ground emergency ambulance rates as proposed by Orange County Emergency Medical Services on August 16, 2022.

Basic Life Support (BLS) Rate

In accordance with Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #715.00 (Ground Emergency Ambulance Service Rate Adjustment), the public were notified of the proposed BLS rates increase and invited to provide written comments from August 18, 2022 through September 30, 2022 for consideration by Orange County EMS.

Under Ambulance Ordinance 3517, the Board of Supervisors has sole authority to adjust the maximum ambulance rates. Following Board Resolution No. 17-094, Item #29, automated annual adjustments were applied to account for the mandated minimum wage increases and CPI factors up to January 1, 2022. There are no longer automated adjustments scheduled.

The primary drivers behind the proposed increase include but are not limited to a longstanding EMS retention and recruitment challenge, difficulty matching workers with the right employers and the need for better pay and working conditions. Of significance, the proposed increase in base rate will include chargers for oxygen and Medicare, Medi-Cal and private insurance carriers to be listed as separate line-item charges, n o longer allows expendable medical supplies as those charges. The proposed increase will NOT be passed onto the Medicare and Medi-Cal patients.

Recommendation

The Transportation Advisory Subcommittee is recommending the Emergency Medical Care Committee approve the proposed increase to the 9-1-1 Emergency BLS Base Rate and the rates for mileage and standby as outlined in the proposal.

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Robert M. Viera, Chair
Transportation Advisory Subcommittee

Attachment: #4412 Proposed Ambulance Rates



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SUBJECT: Health Care Agency Proposed Ground Ambulance Service Rates

Honorable Board Members:

The purpose of this correspondence is to inform you that on October, 14, 2022, the Orange County Emergency Medical Care Committee, an advisory committee to the Board of Supervisors, reviewed the proposed Health Care Agency emergency medical services (EMS) ground ambulance service rates to become effective January 1, 2023.

The Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) recommendation is to request a one-time adjustment of approved ambulance rates to match the Los Angeles County General Public Ambulance Rates and the consolidation of oxygen and medical supply charges into the BLS Base Rate.

Furthermore, EMCC members recommended that Orange County EMS that future rates be adjusted annually, effective July 1, 2023 by multiplying the rates by the percentages change in the transportation portion of the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers, Western Region, as compiled and reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12-month period ending with the last day of the prior month, February.

The Health Care Agency notified all concerned parties regarding the proposed rates. No written or verbal comments from the cities or fire departments were received in opposition to the new rates proposed.

Please contact Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN, Director, Health Care Agency/Emergency Medical Services division at (714) 834-2791 with any questions you may have regarding this issue.

Respectfully,

Michael S. Ritter, MD, Chair
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TO: Emergency Receiving Centers (ERCs)
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SUBJECT: HEALTH EMERGENCY CRISIS FROM RSV IN ORANGE COUNTY

As you may be aware, Orange County has declared a health emergency due to the increasing spread of Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) infections in the pediatric population. It is becoming increasingly likely that in the next few days, the two pediatric hospitals in Orange County (Children's Hospital of Orange County and CHOC at Mission Hospital) will become saturated and unable to accept additional patients. This is affecting both their in-patient capacity as well as their emergency departments. Both hospitals have already entered pediatric surge mode with expansion of patient care into non-patient care areas and placed themselves on ambulance diversion for the first time in many years. As such, it may soon be necessary to begin shifting some in-patient and 911 field pediatric care to other hospitals.

Orange County EMS wants to ensure that all hospitals and 911 providers are aware of this situation. The Base Hospital Coordinators will inform their MICNs to begin utilizing other hospitals as destinations for providing pediatric care in patients from the field who are not critically ill. The 911 providers should also be aware that they should begin utilizing other ERCs as destinations for selected pediatric patients.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

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Schultz, Carl

From: Mike Ritter <rittermd@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 20, 2022 1:47 PM
To: Schultz, Carl
Subject: Re: Appointment of new chair for Transportation Advisory Committee

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Approve - Happy Holidays

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On Tue, Dec 20, 2022 at 1:43 PM Schultz, Carl <CSchultz@ochca.com> wrote:

Mike

The previous chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), Rob Viera, has stepped down. I would like to nominate Jim Karras to take this position. He has actually chaired this committee in the past. I touched base with him already and he will accept the role if you authorize it. Per the TAC bylaws, the Chair of the EMCC has to sign off on this nomination forwarded by the EMS Medical Director. So if you reply back that you approve this, we are done.

Carl



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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

December 27, 2022

TO: Orange County Fire Chiefs
Orange County City Managers
Orange County Ambulance Service Providers

FROM: Tammi McConnell, MSN, RN, EMS Director

SUBJECT: REVISION TO MAXIMUM EMERGENCY GROUND AMBULANCE
RATES: EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023

This is to inform you that on December 20, 2022, the Orange County Board of Supervisors established maximum BLS emergency Ground Ambulance rates, as follows:

Maximum BLS Emergency Ground Ambulance Rates

Type of Charge	Basis for Charge	7/1/2022 Rate	Effective January 1, 2023
Emergency BLS Base Rate	Applicable for urgent or Code 3 response at the request of a public safety employee	\$1,381.75	\$1,832.27
Mileage	Per patient mile or fraction thereof.	\$ 19.77	\$ 19.05
Oxygen (includes mask or cannula)	When administered.	\$ 96.95	Included in base rate
Standby time	Per 30 minutes after the first 30 minutes.	\$ 47.50*	\$ 129.00
Expendable Medical Supplies	Maximum per response.	\$ 38.27	Included in base rate

*Standby Time rate had been based upon every 15 minutes after the first 15 minutes.

Maximum ALS Paramedic Assessment and Transport Rate for OCFA Jurisdictional Areas (except for San Clemente, Westminster, and Buena Park): ALS Paramedic Assessment and Transport Rate \$387.35

These rates become effective on January 1, 2023 by Board of Supervisors' Resolution No. 22-163. If you have any questions, please contact Eileen Endo at (714) 834-3507.

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Attachments: Board Resolution No. 22-163
Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #714.00

**MAXIMUM EMERGENCY GROUND AMBULANCE RATES****I. AUTHORITY:***Orange County Board of Supervisors, Resolution No. 22-163, Item No. 34***MAXIMUM EMERGENCY GROUND AMBULANCE RATES****EFFECTIVE January 1, 2023**

The following is a list of maximum allowable emergency ambulance service rates to be charged an emergency patient by a licensee. These rates were approved by the County of Orange Board of Supervisors.

TYPE OF CHARGE	BASIS FOR CHARGE	2022 Rate	RATE
Emergency BLS Base Rate	Applicable for urgent or Code 3 responses at the request of a public safety employee	\$1,381.75	\$1,832.27
Mileage	Per patient mile or fraction thereof	\$ 19.77	\$ 19.05
Oxygen (includes mask or cannula)	Applicable when administered	\$ 96.95	Included in Base Rate
Standby	Per 30 minutes after the first 30 minutes and any fraction thereof	\$ 47.50*	\$ 129.00
Expendable Medical Supplies	Maximum per response or fair market value, whichever is the least amount	\$ 38.27	Included in Base Rate

*per 15 minutes after the first 15 minutes and any fraction thereof.

ALS Paramedic Assessment and Transportation Rate for Orange County Fire Authority
Jurisdictional Area (excepting for San Clemente, Westminster, and Buena Park)

\$387.35

Approved:

OCEMS Director

Effective Date: 01/01/2023
Reviewed Date: 12/27/2022
Original Date: 7/1989

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

December 20, 2022

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4-9-12 of the Codified Ordinances of Orange County, the Health Care Agency is proposing the Board of Supervisors (“this Board”) adopt new maximum 9-1-1 emergency Basic Life Support (BLS) ground ambulance and Advanced Life Support (ALS) paramedic assessment and transport rates for the unincorporated areas of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, certain cities within the County of Orange have adopted Section 4-9-12 of the Codified Ordinances of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors conducted a Public Hearing to set the maximum 9-1-1 emergency BLS ground ambulance and ALS paramedic assessment and transport rates for the unincorporated areas of Orange County and the cities that have adopted Section 4-9-12 of the Codified Ordinances of Orange County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Board hereby rescinds all prior Resolutions as pertain to the maximum 9-1-1 medical emergency BLS ground ambulance and ALS paramedic assessment and transport rates, specifically Resolution No. 17-094, dated August 8, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board hereby establishes the following maximum 9-1-1 emergency ambulance services rates that private ambulance operators may charge in the unincorporated areas of Orange County and within the cities that have adopted Section 4-9-12 of the Codified Ordinances of Orange County:

I. Maximum 9-1-1 Emergency BLS Ground Ambulance Rates

Description	2022 Rate	Effective January 1, 2023
(1) Emergency BLS Base Rate	\$ 1,381.75	\$1,832.27
(2) Mileage (per patient mile or fraction thereof)	\$ 19.77	\$19.05

(3) Oxygen (applicable when administered)	\$ 96.95	Included in base rate
(4) Standby time (per 15 minutes after the first 15 minutes)	\$ 47.50	\$129.00 (per 30 minutes)
(5) Expendable Medical Supplies (maximum per response)	\$ 38.27	Included in base rate

II. Maximum 9-1-1 Emergency ALS Paramedic Assessment and Transport Rate:

ALS Paramedic Assessment and Transport Rate \$387.35


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board adopts the methodologies for adjusting the above maximum rates (i.e., BLS and ALS), effective July 1, 2023, by multiplying the rates by the percentage change in the transportation portion of the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers, Western Region as compiled and reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12-month period ending with the last day of the prior month, February.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Health Care Agency Director or designee is authorized to make an annual adjustment to the above maximum rates, effective July 1 of each year, by multiplying the rates by the percentage change in the transportation portion of the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers, Western Region as compiled and reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics for the 12-month period ending with the last day of the prior month, February.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Health Care Agency Director or designee may seek this Board's approval for any adjustments to the maximum rates set forth in this Resolution that exceed the methodology adopted in this Resolution.

The foregoing was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, on December 20, 2022, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors: KATRINA FOLEY, DOUG CHAFFEE, ANDREW DO
DONALD P. WAGNER, LISA A. BARTLETT
NOES: Supervisor(s):
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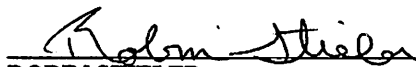

CHAIRMAN

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, **ROBIN STIELER**, Clerk of the Board of Orange County, California, hereby certify that a copy of this document has been delivered to the Chairman of the Board and that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Orange County Board of Supervisors

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and seal.




ROBIN STIELER
Clerk of the Board
County of Orange, State of California

Resolution No: 22-163
Agenda Date: 12/20/2022
Item No: 34



I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors, Orange County, State of California

Robin Stieler, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____
Deputy



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DATE: December 5, 2022

TO: EMERGENCY RECEIVING CENTER HOSPITALS
AMBULANCE PROVIDERS
911 PARAMEDIC PROVIDERS
CONTROL ONE SUPERVISORS
LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

FROM: CARL SCHULTZ, MD *COS*
EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR, ORANGE COUNTY HEALTH CARE AGENCY

**SUBJECT: REVIEW OF CURRENT OCEMS POLICIES AND DIRECTIVES IN EFFECT TO
MANAGE INCREASING DEMAND FOR EMS SERVICES**

Orange County is experiencing another surge in demand for EMS services. Multiple policies and directives are currently in effect to help distribute and load-level this demand more evenly amongst hospitals, ambulances, and 911 providers. However, it may be difficult to remember all these interventions, as many have been in place for several years. Therefore, a brief reminder of these practices is warranted as we move into another surge.

- ED diversion for Los Angeles County
Initially implemented in January of 2021 by the EMS Medical Director and subsequently suspended, this practice is again in effect for three, Orange County hospitals only: St. Jude Medical Center, La Palma Intercommunity Hospital and Los Alamitos Medical Center. If any of these hospitals are overwhelmed, they can call the EMS Duty Officer and request placement on diversion for ALS patients only originating from LA County. This diversion will remain in place for 4 hours, and then end. To continue diversion, another phone call to the EMS Duty Officer is required. This diversion will not apply to stroke, myocardial infarction or cardiac arrest patients.
- Mandatory Placement of Hospitals on 2-hour Diversion for APOTs > 60 minutes
If a hospital's 90% APOT exceeds 60 minutes, the EMS Duty Officer can be called and will place them on diversion for 2 hours if the hospital has not done this already. (See EMS Medical Director memo dated November 4, 2021)
- Suspension of Diversion when the Three Closest Hospitals Are all on Diversion
When a 911 provider needs a destination hospital, and the three closest facilities are all on diversion, then for that one run, none of them are on diversion and the paramedic should take that patient to the closest hospital. (Policy #310.96)

- Systemwide Suspension of ED Diversion
If the total number of hospital diversion hours for a 24-hour period exceeds 200 for three consecutive days, the ability for all hospitals to initiate diversion will be suspended until the situation stabilizes. This practice was implemented several times in 2020 and 2021 by the EMS Medical Director to manage excessive hospital diversion.
- Placing Patients in the Waiting Room or on Cots; Ambulances leaving for other Hospitals
Patients waiting in a hospital ED on an ambulance gurney being supervised by the ambulance crew may be placed on a cot after 60 minutes if a second ambulance from the same company arrives and is not placed in ED bed. Patients who met criteria can also be placed in the waiting room if held in the ED for more than 60 minutes. Patients held in ambulances and not unloaded for more than 60 minutes may be transported by the ambulance crew to another hospital. (See Policy #310.96)
- Stroke Neurology Receiving Centers Required to Accept Stroke Patients from Spoke Hospitals when on ED Diversion
When an ERC goes on diversion, it automatically places the SNRC on diversion. The exception to this policy is if a spoke hospital needs to transfer a stroke patient to the SNRC hospital for a higher level of care. Under these circumstances, the SNRC must accept the patient from the spoke hospital. (See Policies #310.96 and #650.00)



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DATE: JANUARY 3, 2023

TO: EMS PROVIDER AGENCIES
DESIGNATED BASE HOSPITALS

FR: LAURENT REPASS 
EMS INFORMATION & ANALYTICS CHIEF

RE: OC-MEDS – NEMSIS V3.5 TRANSITION PLAN

Pursuant to state and federal requirements regarding EMS data standards and compliance, Orange County EMS (OCEMS) is planning to implement necessary changes to the Orange County Medical Emergency Data System (OC-MEDS) over the next 12 months. The National EMS Information System (NEMSIS) standards have been updated to version 3.5 and [all states are required to be compliant no later than January 1, 2024](#). Existing (NEMSIS v3.4) data standards and software versions will sunset on that date.

California law ([H&S 1797.227](#)) and local policy ([OCEMS Policy 300.30](#)) require that EMS Providers utilize a Patient Care Reporting System (PCRS) that is [compliant with the current version of NEMSIS](#). On January 1, 2024, the current version of NEMSIS will be v3.5.

Over the next several months, OCEMS will be making necessary changes to OC-MEDS in preparation for the transition to NEMSIS v3.5. EMS providers who use OC-MEDS as their PCRS may utilize an updated county level run form or may build and configure their own run forms to meet their own business needs. EMS Providers who utilize their own “third party” PCRS, must ensure that their system is [certified v3.5 compliant](#) by NEMSIS and is approved by OCEMS as compliant and interoperable with applicable OC-MEDS policies and standards. Full transition to a NEMSIS v3.5 PCRS must be complete no later than December 18th, 2023 to allow time to address any final issues prior to the statewide deadline (January 1, 2024). Successful transition to NEMSIS v3.5 will be a condition for 2024 licensure as an EMS Provider in Orange County.

The following timeline illustrates a summary of the tasks that should be completed in preparation for the transition:

- **Q1 2023 (Jan. – Mar.)**
 - OCEMS to finalize OC-MEDS Data Dictionary (OCEMS Policy 300.31) in alignment with NEMSIS v3.5 standards
 - OC-MEDS system level software updates, configuration, and testing
 - 3rd party PCRS NEMSIS compliance verification and OC-MEDS Application for use
- **Q2 2023 (Apr. – Jun.)**
 - EMS Provider agency level configuration and testing
 - Configure and test provider specific run forms
 - Configure and test data integrations (CAD, Billing, CEMSIS, etc.)

- **Q3 2023 (Jul. – Sep.)**
 - EMS Provider agency field testing and training
- **Q4 2023 (Oct. – Dec.)**
 - OC-MEDS System level implementation of NEMSIS v3.5
 - EMS Provider Agency level implementation of NEMSIS v3.5 PCRS
 - Base Hospital OC-MEDS eBHR NEMSIS v3.5 Implementations
 - Final field implementations complete no later than December 18th, 2023 to allow time to address any final issues prior to statewide deadline (January 1, 2024).

All questions regarding this important project may be directed to the OC-MEDS System Administrator on duty at oc-meds@ochca.com.

cc: Tammi McConnell, RN, MSN - EMS Administrator
Carl Schultz, MD, FACEP - EMS Medical Director

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November 10, 2022

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Subject: ALS Unit Changes

Dr. Schultz,

This letter serves to officially notify OCEMS of changes to 911 ALS Paramedic coverage within Orange County Fire Authority's (OCFA) jurisdiction beginning November 18, 2022.

On November 18, 2022, OCFA will open OCFA Fire Station 67 at 31544 Cow Camp Rd, Rancho Mission Viejo, CA 92675. The primary unit at this station will be Engine 67, a 4-person ALS unit consisting of 2 paramedics. This station will also house ALS Engine 367, a Type 3 Wildland Engine which is cross-staffed with the same crew from Engine 67, but only active during training and wildland fire response.

On December 2, 2022, OCFA will upgrade Truck 9 from a BLS unit to a 4-person ALS unit consisting of 2 paramedics. Truck 9 will continue to be collocated with ALS Engine 9 at OCFA Fire Station 9 which is at 9 Shops at Mission Viejo, Mission Viejo, CA 92691.

Additionally, Engine 42 was upgraded from a Paramedic Assessment Unit to a 4-person ALS unit consisting of 2 paramedics. Engine 42 is located at OCFA Fire Station 42 at 19150 Ridgeline Rd, Lake Forest, CA 92679 with the ALS upgrade being effective July 1, 2022.

These additional ALS units will continue to meet all OCEMS requirements as an ALS service provider. All units have the full OCEMS required inventory of supplies, equipment, and medications; and are equipped for communications as specified by OCEMS.

Please review the following criteria for activation and upgrades of aforementioned units per OCEMS Policy #705.00

- A. Justification for an additional PAU or ALS unit.
 - a. Continued development and population expansion in Ranch Mission Viejo.
- B. Description of the geographical location and boundaries for the proposed service.
 - a. Engine 67: suburban and wildland areas, see attached map (Attachment A)

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- b. Truck 9: suburban area, see attached map (Attachment B)
 - c. Engine 42: suburban and wildland areas, see attached map (Attachment C)
- C. Justification for variances (if any) from the applicant's plan for adhering to the Board of Supervisors Resolution 79-240: One unit for every 64,000 population; or one unit per 16 square miles; or an average of five minutes or less response time; or adjacent units are at or above 300 total responses/month (Policy 700.00).
 - a. No variances from Board of Supervisors Resolution 79-240.
- D. A workload analysis of the impact on contiguous PAU or ALS units.
 - a. There is currently 1 OCFA ALS unit in Rancho Mission Viejo, Engine 56. This unit has seen an increase in medical aid call volume of 50% since 2020. Engine 67 will help to maintain services and response times to the continual and future population expansion in the area.
 - b. Engine 9 has seen a 46% increase in medical aid call volume since 2020. Upgrading Truck 9 to an ALS unit will improve services and response times for the Saddleback Valley.
 - c. Engine 42 has seen a 72% increase in medical aid call volume since 2020. Upgrading Engine 42 to an ALS unit will improve services and response times for Lake Forest and surrounding communities.
- E. Proposed time frame for implementation.
 - a. Engine 67 & Engine 367 November 18, 2022 @ 2030
 - b. Truck 9 December 2, 2022 @ 0800
 - c. Engine 42 July 1, 2022 @ 0800
- F. Commitment to utilize and maintain telecommunications as specified by the OCEMS.
 - a. OCFA commits to utilize and maintain telecommunications as specified by OCEMS.
- G. Commitment to maintain a drug and solution inventory and basic and ALS medical equipment and supplies as specified by the OCEMS.
 - a. OCFA commits to maintain a drug and solution inventory and basic and ALS medical equipment and supplies as specified by the OCEMS.
- H. Training needs for meeting OCEMS staffing requirements of two Paramedics per ALS units.
 - a. OCFA units will continue to meet all training and staffing requirements as outlined by OCEMS.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, and I look forward to your response.

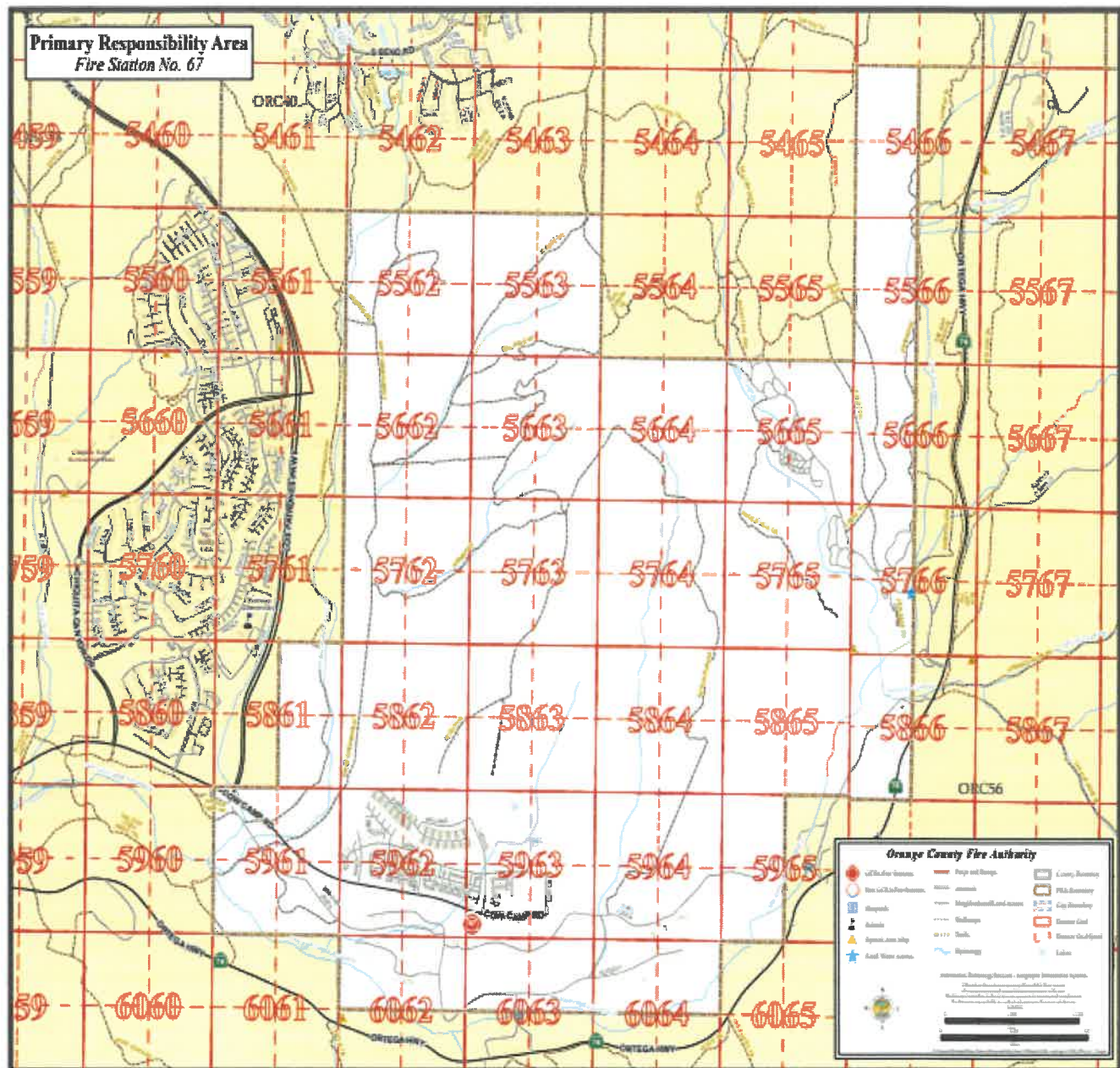
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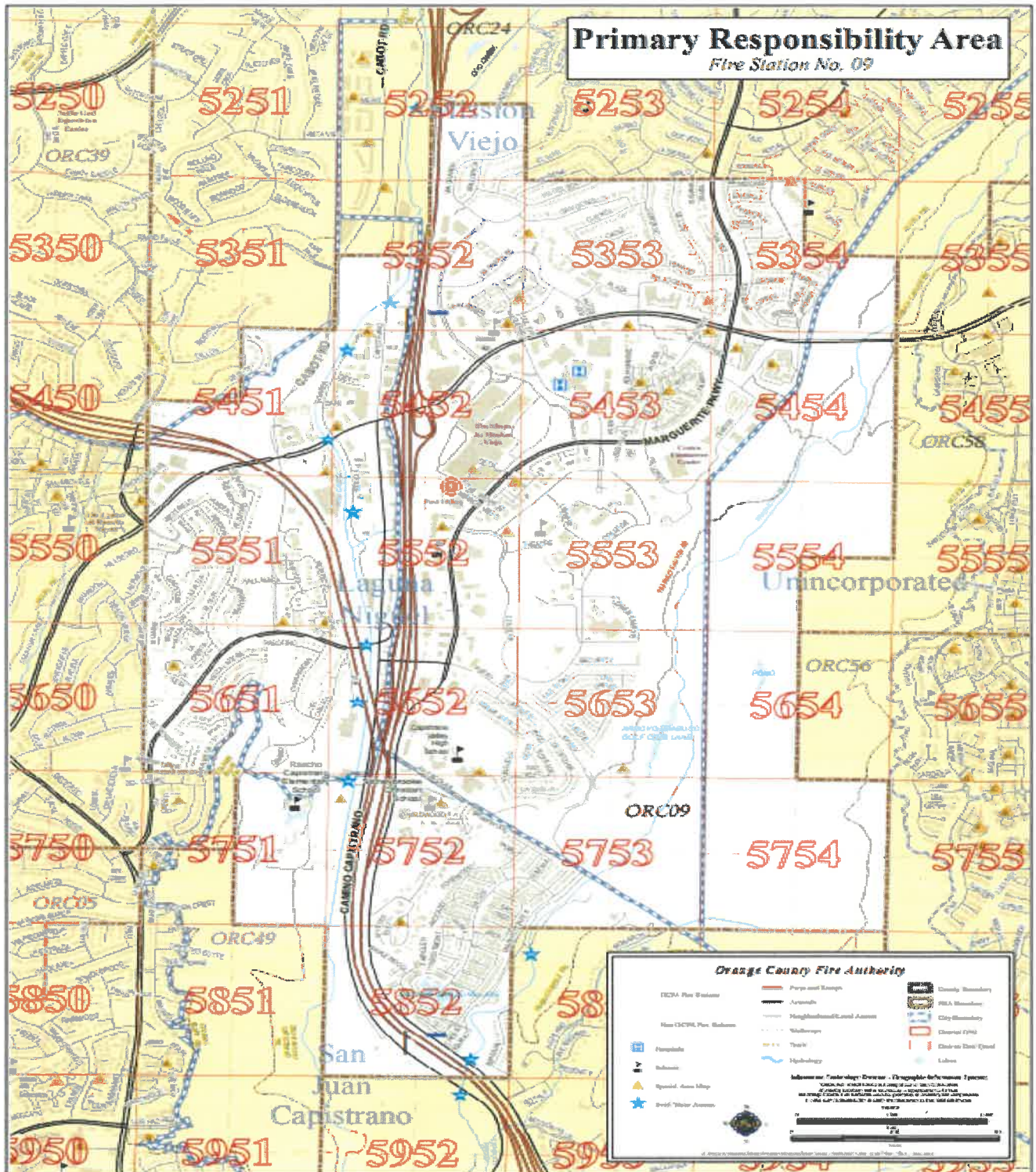


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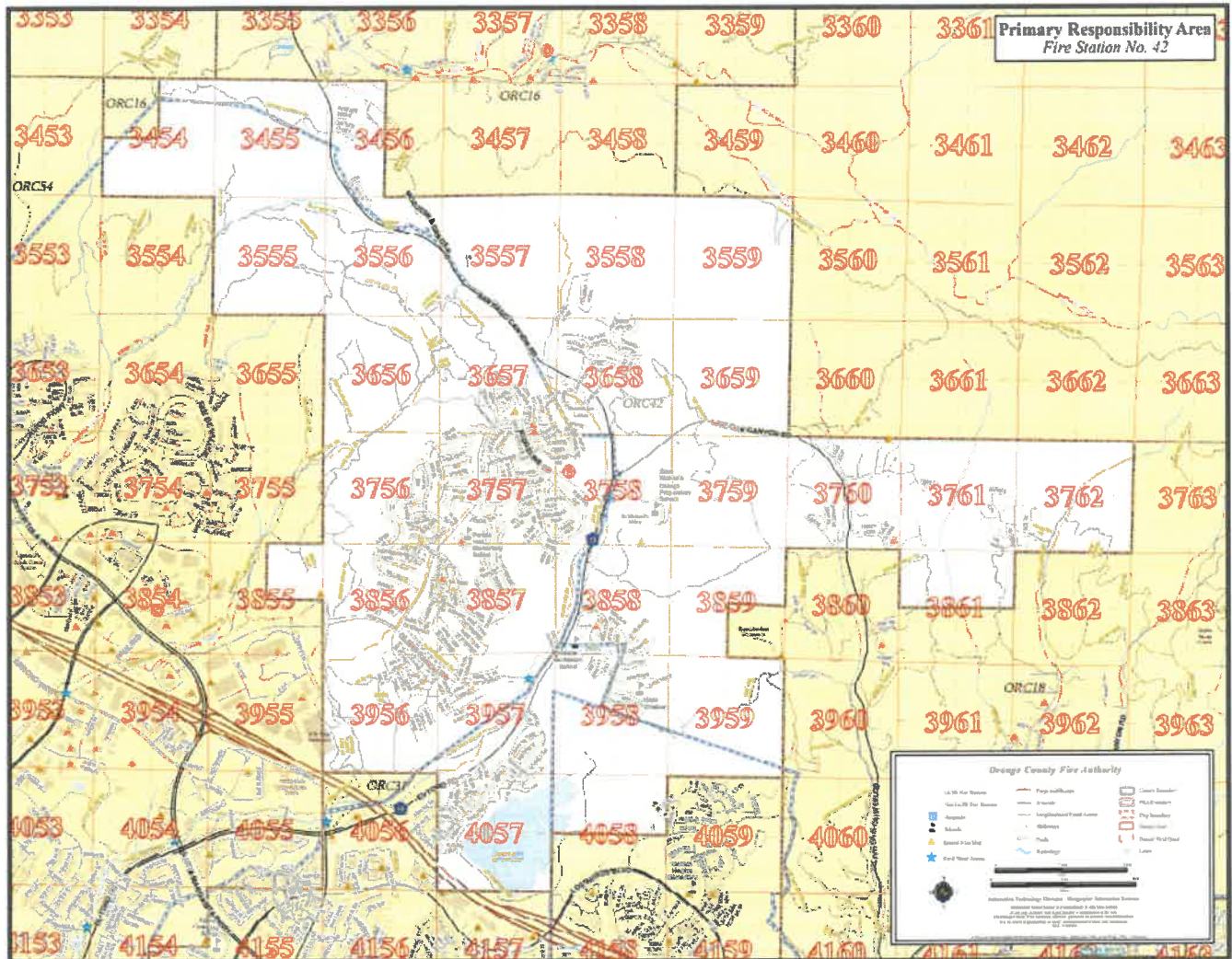
Orange County Fire Authority

Assistant Chief, Emergency Medical Services & Training Departments





ATTACHMENT C





FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ORANGE COUNTY EMS FACILITY DESIGNATIONS
November 8, 2022

The following hospitals have applied to Orange County Emergency Medical Services (OCEMS) for Emergency Receiving Center (ERC) and/or Specialty status (Cardiovascular Receiving Center/CVRC, Stroke Neurology Receiving Center/SNRC, and Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center/CCERC) designation or re-designation. This report summarizes the OCEMS review of their applications noting deficiencies, conditions and recommendations. Today, it is presented to the Facilities Advisory Committee for committee endorsement. Physical site visits have been temporarily suspended but focused surveys were completed including key personnel interviews and applicable documents reviewed.

General Findings: The following facilities currently meet the designation requirements for Emergency Receiving Center and Specialty Center designation when applicable. Endorsement considerations of designation are for one to three-year terms or otherwise specified as recommended by committee.

FACILITIES – CONTINUING DESIGNATIONS

Hoag Irvine Medical Center

(Review Period 2019-2022)

Emergency Receiving Center (ERC)

ERC DQ Done: 5/24/2022
Site Survey: Online Only
Program Review: 9/2019 – 1/2022

Criteria Deficiencies: None
Conditions: None
Recommendations: None

CardioVascular Receiving Center (CVRC)

CVRC DQ Done: 5/25/2022
Site Survey: Online Only
Program Review: 9/2019 – 1/2022

Criteria Deficiencies: None
Conditions: None
Recommendations: None

Endorsement Consideration: Three years (January 2022 – February 2025)



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JEFF BOYLES
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October 14, 2022

Carl Schultz, MD
Health Disaster Management/
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SUBJECT: TEMPORARY IMPLEMENTATION OF PAU

Dear Dr. Schultz:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that effective October 21, at 0730, Newport Beach Fire Department (NBFD), will be temporarily staffing a Paramedic on two trucks (NT62 and NT63). The temporary PAU upgrade will end on February 28, 2023, at 0730, with the units returning to BLS status. NT62 is housed at Station 2 located at 2807 Newport Blvd, and NT63 is housed at Station 3 located at 868 Santa Barbara Drive. This will temporarily upgrade the response capability from BLS units to Paramedic Assessment Units (PAU).

Effective October 21, 2022, NE62 and NE63 will temporarily be in service as BLS units as the paramedics will shift from the Engines (NE62 and NE63) to Trucks (NT62 and NT63) for this short duration.

THE OBJECTIVE

This temporary change in service from BLS to ALS is part of a firefighter paramedic probationary rotation.

NBFD has eight fire stations located throughout our community. These stations house eight fire engines, two fire trucks and three ALS ambulances. Current staffing has two ALS resources (Paramedics) on each of the three ALS Ambulances and one Paramedic and two Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) on each of the seven Engine Company PAUs. The current Engine Company PAUs are NE61, NE62, NE63, NE64, NE65, NE66, NE67 and NE68.

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

Timeline

NT62 and NT63 will transition to a PAU's on October 21, 2022 at 0730.
NE62 and NE63 will transition to BLS units on October 21, 2022 at 0730.

Staffing Resources

To achieve staff changes, existing NBFD OC accredited Paramedics will be moved onto the PAU trucks.

Response Matrix

The PAU's will be identified as Newport Truck 62 and 63. NT62 and NT63 will be dispatched in the same manner as any PAU currently operating in the City of Newport Beach.

Equipment Resources

The equipment, supplies, and inventory on NT62 and NT63 will be maintained in accordance with OCEMS policy.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact me at 949-644-3385 or email kthompson@nbfd.net.

Sincerely,



Kristin Thompson
EMS Division Chief

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Emergency Medical Care Committee



Mission Statement: *“To act in an advisory capacity to the County Board of Supervisors and to Orange County Emergency Medical Services on all matters relating to emergency medical services in Orange County.”*

2023 Meeting Dates

January 13

April 14

July 14

October 13

**Meetings are held quarterly in January, April,
July, and October**

Time:

9:00 am to 11:00 am

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