



# Health Care Coalition of Orange County

## Advisory Committee

### SNF/LTC

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 – 09:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Location: Zoom

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## A G E N D A

### I. CALL TO ORDER

### II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of December 14, 2022 minutes
- Modified September 14, 2022 minutes

*Attachment #1*

*Attachment #2*

### IV. EMS/HEM REPORT

- EMS Health Emergency Management Report

### V. NEW BUSINESS

- ReddiNet Presentation – Soraya Peters, Rosie Dominguez, and Lewis West – user guides and videos available at <https://reddinet.net/support/>

### VI. OTHER BUSINESS

- Public Health Report and Update – Deputy Medical Director, Communicable Disease – Helene Calvet, MD
- CDPH Report and Update – District Manager, California Department of Public Health – Hang Nguyen, MSN, RN
- CDPH Life Safety, Code Update – Chief, California Department of Public Health – Marian De Meire, SSMII, M.S., CFI-I
- California Association of Health Facilities – Director of Emergency Preparedness – Jason Belden

### VII. NEXT MEETING

- June 7, 2023, 9:00 – 10:00am, Zoom/TBD
- General HCCOC Meeting – April 27, 2023 10:30am-12:00pm, Zoom/TBD

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT



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## Minutes

### I. CALL TO ORDER

- Paula Panganiban called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

### II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Introductions were made. Attendance information obtained Zoom participant report

### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- The September 14, 2022, minutes were approved

### IV. EMS/HEM REPORT

- COVID case rates are climbing significantly. They have tripled since last month and that indicates we are in a surge. Hospitalizations have also tripled, and ICU admits are up as well. Public Health tracks SNF outbreaks and those numbers have doubled from a month ago. The Omicron variant is still the predominant variant, except its sub-variant, the BQ variant, have now taken over the BA5 variant. The vaccine does cover the newer variant, however, only one in six people have gotten the booster in California. It has been authorized by the FDA for six months and above. Monoclonal antibodies are no longer recommended and have lost their emergency use authorization. Influenza has started an early and significant surge. Orange County's numbers are the highest in the last decade. The vaccine is about 50% effective. Flu vaccine uptake has been low. RSV has mainly impacted kids, but we have also seen a significant impact on the elderly. Monkey Pox has dwindled down, as well has Ebola. Respiratory viruses have been putting pressure on our systems. We have seen higher diversion hours and ambulance off-load times.
- The AOC is activated Monday – Friday from 9am to 4pm. We are accepting resource requests, but remember most resources are available from your vendors, so reach out to them first before reaching out to the AOC. CDPH has allocated Influenza/COVID-19 antigen test kits for professional use available to SNFs generally because they have CLIA waivers. There weren't that many tests given to Orange County.
- The RDD After Action Report will be out soon. Chad Cossey and Eddie Morales are building a training calendar for the upcoming year. Please let them know of any training needs. [ccossey@ochca.com](mailto:ccossey@ochca.com) or [emorales@ochca.com](mailto:emorales@ochca.com). Coalition Agreements are currently being updated. A full-scale exercise has been requested for Spring 2023.

### V. NEW BUSINESS

- Paula wanted to say thank you to the SNFs that want to participate in this group.

### VI. OTHER BUSINESS

- Public Health Report and Update – Supervising Public Health Nurse, – Cherry Fontela
  - 32 facilities are experiencing COVID outbreaks. Two are experiencing flu outbreaks. Please report outbreaks to the team. Call the provider line at 714-834-8180 or email [LTCFTeam@ochca.com](mailto:LTCFTeam@ochca.com).
  - Public Health Lab is available to help any mixed outbreaks to help test

- CDPH Report and Update – District Manager, California Department of Public Health – Hang Nguyen, MSN, RN
  - Continue to conduct recertification surveys concurrent with emergency preparedness surveys
  - She encourages all SNFs to contact local public health when positive cases are identified
- CDPH Life Safety, Code Update – Chief, California Department of Public Health – Marian De Meire, SSMII, M.S., CFI-I – not present
- California Association of Health Facilities – Director of Emergency Preparedness – Jason Belden – not present – Mary Story filled in for Jason stating they are working on AB2511. They are working on streamlining some of the language to make it easier to disseminate the information with the membership.

#### **VII. NEXT MEETING**

- March 8, 2023, 9:00am – 10:00am - Zoom/TBD
- General HCCOC Meeting – January 26, 2023, 10:30am-12:00pm - Zoom/TBD

#### **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:46am



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## Minutes

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

- Dr. Gagandeep Grewal called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

### **II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Introductions were made. Attendance information obtained Zoom participant report

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- The March 9, 2022 minutes were approved

### **IV. EMS/HEM REPORT**

- COVID positivity case rates are still going down – 13 per 100,000; hospitalizations are down as well
- SNF/LTC outbreaks are also down
- The predominant strain is still Omicron, however we have swapped variants
- The variant went from BA1 to BA2 and now it swapped over to BA5. There's another variant cropping up, BA4.6 and that is not a big issue yet in California
- The new booster that was just released covers both the BA4 and BA5 variants
- Influenza is flattening out in OC
- The CDC issued a Respiratory Virus warning in children
- Monkey Pox cases are rising; 170 cases in OC; LA reported their first death last week. It should be leveling off fairly soon
- The AOC is still activated, supporting logistics for Mobile POD vaccinations; the process is winding down
- We have a limited supply of BinaxNOW professional use test kits available for SNF/LTC facilities. Please let us know if you need any of these.
- We still have a large allocation of over the counter iHealth test kits available. We are limiting distribution of these to those who are serving the disadvantaged population or uninsured. Please reach out to us if any of these apply to you.
- The warehouse is downsizing, and we have a lot of PPE available. Mainly gowns and facemasks. If you have a need for any of these supplies, please let us know.
- HEM has filled two positions to help us on various projects, plans, exercises, and drills
- We are trying to get more funding to bring back Hal Kempfer, a subject matter expert in disaster & emergency preparedness.
- We are also working on getting participation up in these coalition meetings

### **V. OLD BUSINESS**

### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- SNF/LTC Accepting Patients from Acute Care Hospitals
  - Donna Meyer stated SNFs are not permitted to receive patients if they are having an outbreak

- Cherry Fontela mentioned that is rare these days that they completely close down a facility due to an outbreak.
- Dr. Grewal suggested having MOUs in place for this sort of situation and using Reddinet
- Pediatric Disaster Conference in October
  - <https://web.cvent.com/event/8b94d7c7-bef7-4f4c-bd0c-451940b01ab4/websitePage:0d83fcf6-9693-456f-8682-1d0ef8eb3a72?locale=en-US&tm=AoGVCXnLtFtsb5YA33EfqiTsujoH8bk6CO-SyNIMJeE>
- Health Care Coalition Conference in November
  - <https://web.cvent.com/event/8b94d7c7-bef7-4f4c-bd0c-451940b01ab4/websitePage:0d83fcf6-9693-456f-8682-1d0ef8eb3a72?locale=en-US&tm=AoGVCXnLtFtsb5YA33EfqiTsujoH8bk6CO-SyNIMJeE>

## **VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

- Public Health Report and Update – Supervising Public Health Nurse, – Cherry Fontela
  - Six SNFs are accepting COVID admissions
  - Update sent out yesterday
  - New Public Health Orders are in the process of being updated
- CDPH Report and Update – District Manager, California Department of Public Health – Hang Nguyen, MSN, RN
  - Ten SNFs with outbreaks
  - Staffing is always an issue; receiving multiple complaints
  - SNFs are obligated to readmit residents
  - Recertification surveys were conducted
- CDPH Life Safety, Code Update – Chief, California Department of Public Health – Marian De Meire, SSMII, M.S., CFI-I – not present
- California Association of Health Facilities – Director of Emergency Preparedness – Jason Belden – not present

## **VIII. NEXT MEETING**

- December 14, 2022, 9:00 – 10:00am, Zoom/TBD
- General HCCOC Meeting – October 27, 2022 10:30am-12:00pm, Zoom/TBD

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

- 9:49am