



**FACILITIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE**

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

**MINUTES**

**MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE**

**MEMBERS**

- Peter Anderson, MD (exc) - OCMA (ED Physician Directors
- Michael Lekawa, MD - Trauma Center Directors
- Chien Sun, MD - Managed Care Emergency Physicians
- Alaine Shauer, RN - PRC Hospital Administration
- Vacant - ERC Hospital Administration
- Heidi Yttri, RN - Base Hospital Administration
- for Meghann Ord, RN - ERC Hospital Administration
- Augustus Ynares, RN - OC Nursing Leadership
- Mary Slattery, RN (exc) - Trauma Program Coordinators
- Bryan Johnson, RN - Fire EMS Coordinators

**REPRESENTING**

**HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF PRESENT**

- Carl Schultz, MD - EMS Medical Director
- Gagandeep Grewal, MD - Associate EMS Medical Director
- Adrian Rodriguez - EMS Performance Chief
- Kristen Karpow, RN - EMS Systems & Standards Chief
- Philip Grieve, NRP - EMS ALS/CQI Coordinator
- Genise Silva, RN - EMS Facilities Coordinator
- Jason Azuma, EMT-P - EMS OC-NEDS Coordinator
- Chad Cossey - EMS Program Supervisor II
- Erica Moojen - EMS Office Supervisor
- Eileen Endo - Office Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT**

- Whitney Ayers - Hospital Association of S. California
- Ruth Clark, RN - Orange County Global Medical Center
- Ryan Creager - Mercy Air Service
- Laura Cross, RN - Mission Hospital
- Jewel Loff - MATConnect

**REPRESENTING**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

- Julie Mackie, RN - Mission Hospital
- Whitney Patnode - CHOC Children's Hospital
- Jill Patt, RN - Huntington Beach Hospital
- Thomas Ward - Orange County Fire Authority
- Bill Weston - Emergency Ambulance Service

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- The meeting was called to order by Bryan Johnson.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS by Gagandeep Grewal, MD**

- Kristen Karpow is the new EMS Systems and Standards Chief.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Minutes from the May 9, 2023, meeting was approved as submitted. (Attachment #1)

**III. OCEMS REPORT**

- OCEMS Report by Carl Schultz, MD.  
 The yearly EMSA, STEMI, STROKE Symposium put on by the state EMS Authority has been cancelled.  
 NEMSIS 3.5 – The Feds have mandated NEMSIS 3.5 so there are substantial impacts on trauma triage for our county. That will be finalized October 1, 2023.
- Specialty Centers (CCERC, SNRC, CVRC, Trauma)  
 Orange County Trauma Coalition met with One Legacy and created the new trauma dashboard, and they can present that at FAC. We are in the process of working with the Stroke Centers to get the county Stroke CQI Committee up and going again by the end of the year.
- Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT) Report by Jason Azuma (Attachment #2)  
 The June report is in review but here are the approximate numbers: June was 32 minutes and 40 seconds. 14,700 transports for the month, down from May. 90<sup>th</sup> percentile for June. An average of 490 a day. Diversion was down, still over 1,000 hours.

- Bi-Directional Data Exchange Project by Jason Azuma (Attachment #3)  
UCI is formally out of Pilot, and we are looking to onboard additional agencies to be transferring data with UCI. We have data coming in on a test basis from multiple hospital systems including: Prime, Kaiser, and Providence.
- NEMSIS 3.5 by Jason Azuma  
We have several people in the room that this is not going to affect the facility so much, but the run report is going to look more or less identical. The big change for facilities receiving reports will be how disposition is documented. The standard disposition that we now have where we have 911 vs. non-911, we have different levels. We have 911 BLS only, and 911 ALS no contact. Those are staying so you'll see those on your run reports, but you'll also have several other dispositions available to describe what happened on the call. The run form is in testing for base hospitals. On the EMS side there are some very significant changes that are going to be implemented in the next few months.
- Vaccinations Report by Gagan Grewal, MD.  
They are releasing a new COVID vaccine specific to the XBB.1.5 variant that will likely be released in the fall. The levels of COVID worldwide are still low. The flu vaccine will be released in the fall as well. One change in the recommendation is for people with egg allergy can get the vaccine. The RSV vaccine has been approved for adults over 60 and compromised. That will be coming out this fall.
- On the Health Emergency Management side, we still have test kits available for professional and over the counter use. Reporting requirements are non-existent for the professional use. Chad Cossey reported that plans are being updated. The Statewide Health and Medical Exercise focus is Burn Surge. The final planning meeting is on September 7<sup>th</sup> via Zoom. The day of the exercise is November 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Follow up on Policy 645.00 by Carl Schultz, MD  
Chapman revoke stands. Chapman cannot receive 911 ambulance traffic. They are still open to regular non-911 ambulance traffic. Chapman Global withdrew their appeal. The policy needs updating.

#### VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- MAT Connect – Approach to Drug ODs in the ED and Beyond by Guest Speaker Jewel Loff  
MAT Connect is funded by CalOptima to the Coalition of Orange County Community Clinics. The goal of MAT Connect is to ensure people can connect to medication assisted treatment for opioid use disorder.
  - West Anaheim Medical Center Redesignation as CVRC by Genise Silva, RN  
West Anaheim Medical Center was due for their CVRC redesignation, and we went out to see them on June 6<sup>th</sup>. There were two deficiencies found. One was their Annual Performance Quality Improvement Guide Plan and the other was their Community Outreach Plan. They were given a one-year conditional. Genise is in the process of reconfiguring the dates for redesignation, so it is more streamlined.
  - Updated Burn Procedure – PR-03 by Carl Schultz, MD
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There were some legitimate concerns about the previous burn policies being overly complicated and hard to implement as a clinical tool in the field. We have the final document that will be posted on October 1, 2023, and we will have six months of training before it becomes final. This document is clearer on whether we take a patient to a burn center or not.

VII. **OTHER BUSINESS**

VIII. **NEXT MEETING**

September 12, 2023, at 9:00am.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:11am.

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