



FACILITIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Tuesday, September 12, 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
- Laura Cross, RN - Base Hospital Administration
- Jenael Rosenberg, RN - Base Hospital Coordinators
- 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
- Almaas Shaikh, MD - HCA Deputy Health Officer
- Laurent Repass, NRP - EMS Information Systems Chief
- Adrian Rodriguez - EMS Performance Chief
- Philip Grieve, NRP - EMS ALS/CQI Coordinator
- Genise Silva, RN - EMS Facilities Coordinator
- Ruth Clark, RN - EMS Trauma Coordinator
- Justin Newton - HDP Program Supervisor II
- Eileen Endo - Office Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT

- Abigail Baur - Orange County Fire Authority
- Shelley Brukman, RN - CHOC Children's Hospital
- Laura Cross, RN - Mission Hospital
- Teri Dart - Fountain Valley Regional Hospital
- Julie Larsen, RN - Saddleback Memorial Medical Center

REPRESENTING

OTHERS PRESENT

- Monica Layhee, RN
- Whitney Patnode
- Jaqueline Maturan, RN
- Thomas Ward
- Heidi Yttri, RN

REPRESENTING

- Orange County Global Med Center
- CHOC Children's Hospital
- Anaheim Global Medical Center
- Orange County Fire Authority
- St. Jude Medical Center

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS by Gagandeep Grewal, MD.

- Ruth Clark, RN, is the new EMS Trauma Coordinator.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes from the July 11, 2023, meeting was approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

- OCEMS Report by Gagandeep Grewal, MD.

COVID numbers are elevated. The FDA authorized and approved a monovalent booster for those 6 months – 11 years old and adults. The current bivalent booster is no longer approved/authorized. The flu vaccine is available. A reminder, anyone with an egg allergy can get the vaccine. The RSV vaccine has been approved for adults over 60 and immune compromised.

On the Health Disaster Preparedness side, we still have test kits available for professional and over the counter use, we can order them for you, but we don't know how long they will be available. The Statewide Health and Medical Exercise will take place on November 16th. A hospital disaster management training course is being planned.

- Specialty Centers (CCERC, SNRC, CVRC, Trauma)
 Orange County Trauma Coalition meets today and will have a report at the next meeting.

The Stroke CQI Committee will be meeting on October 19th at 11:00am, virtually. Cardiac centers need to present data on both EMS and walk-in patients.

- Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT) Report by Laurent Repass

APOT times are essentially flat. They are a little over 30 minutes. 13 hospitals had greater times than 30 minutes in the month of July. Transports are increasing. Diversions have also been flat. Most regions were at 6%.

- Bi-Directional Data Exchange Project by Laurent Repass

UCI is now connected to the EMS system. 70% of 911 transports are working through the exchange. Ten other hospital systems including: Prime, Kaiser, and Providence, are close to being finished with their project and should be complete by the end of the year. The remaining hospitals should be ready by the end of the fiscal year.

- NEMSIS 3.5 by Laurent Repass

October 1st is the state deadline for the transition. By October 2nd, we should have ten providers live. Our drop-dead date is December 18th. If any EMS provider has not completed their transition by then, they will not make it.

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- None

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Draft Memo for 2023 EMS Updates to Existing Policies/Procedures/Standing Orders by Carl Schultz, MD.

There are 23 updates: five are not included in the packet and three of these are tied up in the public comment period process. The remaining two are related to the trauma triage criteria. Those were fine until Nemsis 3.5. Nemsis 3.5 has changed the way some of the variables are defined and the Trauma Ops Committee will be meeting to review the edits that Dr. Grewal and I made to the current policy to bring it into compliance.

Policy 330.57 adds language for safety measures for paramedics in the event of combative patients when the police will not intervene. It gives them the option to leave the patient on-scene.

Policy 510.00 discusses EMT training and the minimum amount of equipment that is provided and the cost.

VII. **NEXT MEETING**

- November 14, 2023, at 9:00am.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

- With no further business the meeting was adjourned.
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