



FACILITIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.

Location: 405 W. Fifth Street, Conference Room 433
 Santa Ana, CA 92701

MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS

- Peter Anderson, MD (exc)
- Michael Lekawa, MD
- Chien Sun, MD
- Alaine Schauer, RN
- Jill Patt, RN
- Augustus Ynares, RN
- Mary Slattery, RN
- Bryan Johnson, RN

REPRESENTING

- OCMA ED Physician Directors
- Trauma Center Directors
- Managed Care Emergency Physicians
- Base Hospital Administration
- Base Hospital Coordinators
- OC Nursing Leadership
- Trauma Program Coordinators
- Fire EMS Coordinators

HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF PRESENT

- Carl Schultz, MD
- Gagandeep Grewal, MD
- Kristen Karpow, RN
- Ruth Clark, RN
- Fran Cohen, RN
- Jason Azuma, NRP
- Philip Grieve, NRP
- Genise Silva, RN
- Chad Cossey
- Kelly Starr
- Eileen Endo
- Lisa Wilson
- EMS Medical Director
- EMS Associate Medical Director
- EMS ALS/CQI Coordinator
- EMS Trauma Coordinator
- EMS Liaison
- EMS OC-MEDS Coordinator
- EMS ALS/CQI Coordinator
- EMS Facilities Coordinator
- EMS Program Supervisor II
- HDP Staff Assistant
- EMS Office Specialist
- Information Processing Technician

OTHERS PRESENT

- Laurie Armendariz
- Danielle Boal, RN
- Todd Costa, RN
- Ryan Creager
- Laura Cross, RN
- Pam Decker
- Natalie DeMichelis
- Mackenzie Ferguson
- Rollan Dy, RN
- Christina Greeninger
- Julie Mackie, RN
- Teresa Polinski, RN
- Heidi Ragas, RN
- Amanda Ramos
- Luke Schademan, RN
- Kim Zaky, RN

REPRESENTING

- UCI Medical Center
- Brea Fire Department
- UCI Medical Center
- Mercy Air Service
- Mission Hospital
- UCI Medical Center
- UCI Medical Center
- CHOC
- La Palma Intercommunity Hospital
- Orange County Fire Authority
- Mission Hospital
- UCI Medical Center
- St. Jude Medical Center
- Lynch Ambulance
- Saddleback Memorial Medical Center
- UCI Medical Center

OTHERS PRESENT

- Victor Joe, MD
- Julie Larsen, RN
- Sarah May
- Liz Olshefski
- Che Ochtli
- Kelly Petka
- Erick Quintanilla
- Heidi Ragas, RN
- Liz Olshefski
- Whitney Patnode, RN
- Frederica Yarborough
- Jenael Rosenberg, RN
- Dana Stradling, RN

REPRESENTING

- UCI Medical Center
- Saddleback Memorial Medical Center
- Hospital Assoc. of So. California
- South Coast Global Medical Center
- UCI Medical Center
- Mission Hospitals
- Falck
- St. Jude Medical Center
- South Coast Global Medical Center
- CHOC
- Foothill Regional Hospital
- Hoag Memorial Hospital
- UCI Medical Center

I. CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order by Jill Patt, RN at 9:02 a.m.

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Abigail Baur was introduced as the new interim Base Hospital Coordinator for OC Global.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes from the March 19, 2024, meeting was approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

- OCEMS Report by *Carl Schultz, MD, Gagan Grewal, MD and Kristen Karpow, RN*

When transporting patients from a facility in Orange County to an out-of-county facility using 911 providers, these are not processes that we can support when the distances are long. They take providers out of service for long periods of time and places the patients in jeopardy because 911 paramedics have limits to what they can do. Doing this is an unacceptable practice. It would be acceptable to use 911 providers to transport patients short distances out of

county such as to Long Beach Memorial Hospital or Lakewood Regional Hospital. However, there is a line in the sand about using 911 providers to move an inpatient to a non-Orange County facility at a great distance from the county, essentially pulling them out of service for a long period of time. Should that occur, please inform Dr. Schultz right away.

We are working on a protocol for a push dose epi in peds patients. That will be released in October. No action right now.

Dr. Grewal stated that we have designated Horizon OC Ambulance as an IFT-ALS provider. They are still in the process of hiring paramedics.

Kristen mentioned there is a Chempack exercise on May 21st at 9:00 a.m. The target audience is anyone who has a Chempack or would ever touch a Chempack. There is also a MRSE surge capacity exercise on June 11th at 8:00 a.m.

- Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time (APOT) and Diversion Report by *Dr. Grewal*

We are under benchmark for March and April. Still over 500 transports per day, but improved APOT. We have also come down in diversion in April. Per policy, there is a benchmark of 6% of all available hours as a general standard. We were at 5.2% for the month of April.

- Bi-Directional Data Exchange Project by *Dr. Grewal*

We have 14 hospitals now live on the Bi-Directional Data Exchange. 65% of 911 transports are going through the exchange. We are receiving outcomes back from the hospitals much faster than we anticipated. There are eight hospitals left that we are pushing to get done by May 31st, which is the formal grant funding deadline. We are still willing to get the other hospitals on board, but grant funds will not be available after the deadline.

V. **SPECIALTY REPORTS**

- CVRC – We met last month. Our biggest concern was being able to capture all patients that need a STEMI report submission. We are trying to get our STEMI CQI meeting up off the ground.
- SNRC – Our last meeting was last month. We will meet again in July. You don't have to be a stroke center to submit a case.
- Trauma – We are currently prepping for surveys. Image sharing is our main goal and is a Trauma Center requirement.
- Pediatrics – We met last month and discussed the pediatric readiness for the EMS agency that is coming. We will also be pushing forward ERCs to have a pediatric emergency care coordinator in their emergency room as part of their pediatric readiness survey project.

VI. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- None

VII. **NEW BUSINESS**

- St. Joseph Hospital ERC, SNRC and CVRC Redesignation – They need to improve their ReddiNet response rate for MCIs. They lacked a pediatrician on their call panel and they need to improve their hospital discharge data. There are a couple of recommendations, noted in the

packet. For the ERC their endorsement consideration would be a three-year conditional motion for redesignation. There were no deficiencies found for the SNRC, as well as the CVRC. There is one recommendation, noted in the packet. For SNRC and CVRC, the endorsement consideration would be a three-year unconditional motion for redesignation. Motions were voted on. Motions were approved.

- Hoag Hospital Newport Beach ERC, CVRC, SNRC and BH Redesignation – No deficiencies in ERC, CVRC, SNRC or BH. Recommendations are listed in the packet. Their endorsement consideration would be a three-year unconditional motion for redesignation. Motions were voted on. Motions were approved.
- UCI Medical Center ERC, CVRC, SNRC and BH Redesignation – No deficiencies in ERC, SNRC or BH. Recommendations are listed in the packet. Their endorsement consideration would be a three-year unconditional motion for redesignation. They had two deficiencies with their CVRC. Both were with compliance to the policy #630.00. They have been assigned a corrective action plan due in 60 days. Their endorsement consideration for their CVRC would be a three-year conditional motion for redesignation. Motions were voted on. Motions were approved.
- Updated Policy #650.00 by *Dr. Schultz* – Added language will state that stroke patients admitted will need to be seen by an in-patient neurologist. This is currently out for public comment.

VIII. **ROUNDTABLE**

- Genise loves the increased attendance. If there are any topics you would like to discuss at future meetings, please email her.
- Next week is EMS week.

IX. **NEXT MEETING**

- July 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. – Conference Room 433

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 a.m.