



- **Health Emergency Management (Disaster Report):**

Vicki Sweet reported that currently the Health Care Agency Operations Center has been activate. She distributed a copy of the webpage for facilities to go to make requests for additional resources. Dr. Schultz reported on the Health Care Agency's resources for N95 masks. Due to the limited resources, a facility or service provider may not receive their requested quantity of resources. Other limited resources include surgical masks and gowns. Ruth Clark commended the Health Care Agency's process in filling resource requests and thanked them for making the process seamless.

- **Ambulance Patient Off-Load Time Report:**

Attached to the agenda is the APOT report for the period of January 1 to February 29, 2020. Mr. Johnson reported that Orange County EMS had noted lower diversion times than in the previous two years for these months.

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

- **EMS Updates**

Dr. Schultz reported that the updates scheduled to be implemented will remain as a separate item on the website to allow for additional implementation time. Attachment 3 outlines the changes made to standing orders, ALS and BLS Procedures, and to Orange County EMS Policies/Procedures.

- **Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

The link listed on the agenda is a link to the Health Care Agency's website on COVID-19. There is a link from the EMS website to the Health Care Agency's Operations Center. This website leads the user to the Agency Operations Center website to place resource requests. Dr. Schultz reported that protocols are being drafted to ensure the safety of the EMS system. The Medical Advisory Committee had discussed the high number of firefighters that have tested positive in areas where there is a high number of COVID-19 patients. Committee members discussed their experiences with testing laboratories; situations in which samples are being obtained incorrectly, protocols they have implemented in removing PPE; limited access to hospital entrances; etc. Inquiries were made on how to handle individuals who are returning from traveling to an area and may have been exposed to COVID-19.

VII. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Kristin Thompson reported that providers are requesting that more consistent protocols be established regarding the holding of patients (ALS or BLS) within ambulances.

VIII. **ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Base Hospital Coordinators:** Maryle Olivier announced that the spring NO FEAR conference has been cancelled.
- **Orange County Fire Chiefs Association:** Kristin Thompson reported on the work of fire services providers.
- **Orange County Nursing Leadership:** Kim Nichols reported that the group discussed a surge in the number of patients seen at the hospital.
- **Facilities Advisory Committee:** Ruth Clark reported that the Facilities Advisory Committee made a recommendation to redesignate Mission Hospital as a CCERC for a one year period of time.

IX. **NEXT MEETING** – Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

X. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.