



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Wednesday
 January 22, 2020 – 9:00 am

MINUTES

Attendance			
COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP		OTHERS PRESENT	
MEMBER	REPRESENTATION GROUP	NAME	REPRESENTING
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rob Viera	– Ambulance Service 9-1-1 Contracted	Drew Bernard	– Emergency Ambulance Service
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Karras	– Ambulance Service non 9-1-1 Contracted	Patrick Powers, EMT-P	– Powers Mobile Health
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aaron Oshima	– Air Transport	Kim Zaky, RN	– Children’s Hospital of Orange County
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ruth Clark, RN	– Base Hospital Coordinators		
<i>Represented by Melanie Golda, RN</i>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristin Thompson, RN	– Fire Service with Transport	HEALTH CARE AGENCY STAFF PRESENT	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rhonda Rosati, RN	– Fire Service non Transport	Carl H. Schultz, MD	– EMS Medical Director
<input type="checkbox"/> Titus Ynares, RN (excused)	– Orange County ED Nursing Leadership	Gagandeep Grewal, MD	– Associate EMS Medical Director
Vacant	– Communications	Meng Chung, EMT-P	– BLS Coordinator
Vacant	– Police Service	David Johnson, RN	– Facilities Coordinator
		Jason Azuma, NRP	– OC-MEDS Coordinator
		Kirstin Wong	– EMS Specialist
		Justin Newton	– EMS Specialist

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Jim Karras.

II. **INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from October 23, 2019 were approved as submitted.

IV. **OCEMS REPORT**

- **OCEMS Report (Vicki Sweet):** The Southern California Preparedness Summit is a three-day conference due to be held in Riverside in April. Information on the Summit may be found on Riverside County EMS’ website in the near future. Currently, Orange County is experiencing high diversion hours with one patient confirmed as having the novel coronavirus. Committee members and guests were reminded that when the three closest hospitals are closed due to diversion, patients may be transported to the closest facility despite being on diversion. The Health Care Coalition of Orange County meets at Orange County Global Medical Center in the Bash auditorium. The Coalition consists of several smaller subgroups, such as dialysis centers, emergency managers, skilled nursing facilities, etc. who meet and then meet as a larger group.

Dr. Schultz reported that policy revisions to the Stroke/Neurology Receiving Center criteria, the Cardiovascular Receiving Center criteria and to the Children’s Comprehensive Emergency Receiving Center criteria have been made and have been put into effect. Changes to these policies follow new State guidelines.

- **9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Contract Performance First Quarter FY 2019-2020 (July1 to September 30, 2019) Report:** Attached to the agenda is the first quarter report Performance Report (Attachment #2).
- **Ambulance Patient Off-Load Times (APOT) Annual Report:** Attached to the agenda are APOT times for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2020 (Attachment #3). Currently APOT times are lower than

seen throughout the State. Jason Azuma reported that Orange County EMS has been tracking the quality of ePCR documentation for the past three years to ensure that CEMSIS requirements are being met. Orange County EMS has been working with individual agencies to ensure that all documentation is received by the State in a timely manner.

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

• **2020 Sidewalk CPR**

Justin Newton will be the contact for this year's Sidewalk CPR. Sidewalk CPR is expected to be held the first week of June and also throughout the month of June.

• **2020 Ambulance Service Provider Count**

Meng Chung presented the OCEMS Permit County report for all ambulance service providers currently licensed in Orange County effective January 7, 2020 (see Attachment #4). Ambulance inspections are continuing so the number of ambulances is expected to change.

• **Ambulance Collision Report Form**

Meng Chung reported that an Ambulance Vehicle Collision Notification report form (see Attachment #5) has been created. This form is part of OCEMS Policy/Procedure #720.60 and must be used to notify the EMS agency when an ambulance is involved in an accident where one or more participants (employees, patients, or an occupant of another vehicle involved in the accident) are transported to a hospital.

VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

• **9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Services Contracts**

The Orange County Board of Supervisor are slated to approve the 9-1-1 Emergency Ambulance Transportation Services Contracts for Emergency Operation Areas A-E on January 28, 2020.

VII. **OTHER BUSINESS**

VIII. **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

IX. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.