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TO: Emergency Medical Care Committee
Emergency Receiving Center Emergency Department Managers
Base Hospital Physician Directors
Base Hospital Coordinators
Fire Chiefs
Ambulance Providers
Fire EMS Coordinators
Los Angeles County EMS Agency

FROM: Orange County Emergency Medical Services Agency

**SUBJECT: TEMPORARY DIVERSION OF NON-TRAUMA BLS/ALS EMS PATIENTS
DUE TO IMPENDING UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE MEDICAL
CENTER STRIKE**

Effective Monday, **May 20 at 13:00 hours**, all non-trauma BLS/ALS Emergency Department ambulance traffic is to be diverted from UCI Medical Center. This action is related to an anticipated labor strike.

The following actions will remain in effect until further notice by the Orange County EMS Agency:

1. UCI Trauma Services operational as per usual county procedures
2. UCI Emergency Department closed for BLS/ALS EMS traffic
3. UCI Base Hospital operations suspended – Orange County Communications (OCC) will divert radio traffic intended for UCI Base to available alternate Base Hospitals
4. Temporary Stroke-Neurology Center Hub assignments:

Garden Grove Medical Center	Western Medical Center, Santa Ana
Anaheim Regional Medical Center	Saint Jude Medical Center
La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	Saint Jude Medical Center
West Anaheim Medical Center	Saint Jude Medical Center

ONLY EMS transported patients designated by a Base Hospital as requiring Trauma services are to be transported to UCI.

For questions, please contact Orange County EMS at 714-834-3500. During non-business hours, please contact the Health Disaster Management Duty Officer at 714-415-8980.

With best regards,

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