County of Orange Health Care Agency
Health Disaster Management/Emergency Medical Services

Transportation Subcommittee Meeting

405 W. Fifth Street, Conference Room 433
Santa Ana, CA 92701
Wednesday, January 22, 2014
9:00 a.m.

Minutes

Topic	Discussion	Action
I. CALL TO ORDER	9:02am	
II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Jim Karras, Chairman, Americare Ambulance Dr. Sam Stratton, OC EMS Mike Noone, Orange County EMS Melissa Murphy, Orange County EMS Vicki Sweet, OC EMS Robert Williams, Mercy Ambulance Aaron Oshima, Mercy Air Ambulance Robert Viera, Care Ambulance Bill Weston, Care Ambulance Kathy Kelly, BHC Patrick Powers, Lynch EMS Cathy Ord, NBFD	
III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES	10/23/13 meeting cancelled 8/26/13 minutes not available – recorder failure	
IV. OCEMS REPORT / CORRESPONDENCE	• Update on revisions to ambulance policies 50 page spreadsheets with public comments has been created, EMS staff to respond and discuss with Medical Director and Agency Director. Some policies will be issued soon, some will be sent out again for public comment (MN) • Update on EOA RFP process 19 EOA zones expire 8/31/14. Garden Grove has	

	expired but has sent in RFP process for approval by OCEMS and EMSA. OCEMS is in discussion with EMSA to see if they are requiring changes to RFPs. Meetings with EMSA this week and next. (SS) • Reddi-Net status All but 5 companies are compliant. Last companies are working out details with ReddiNet. (MN) • Update on IFT-ALS Three applications from OC licensed companies have been received and are being reviewed. (SS)	
V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS	None	
V. NEW BUSINESS	Amy Waunch – CHOC presentation – Cancelled • Ambulances are not required to be built with child seat (BW). • Some restraint devices built into jump seat or for use on stretcher may not be suitable for infants (per Ferno, Pedi-Mate is from 10-40lbs). (PP)	Request from facilities for transporting EMS personnel to: 1. Use child seat in ambulance, if possible, rather than having parent hold child in arms on stretcher. And: 2. Bring pediatric patient's child seat, if possible, so they have use of it when they are discharged. (MN) Cathy Ord will find out what HBFD did on recent ambulance order.
VI. OTHER BUSINESS	• Draft Revisions to restraint policy: Due to reports of patient and provider injuries, OCEMS proposes that all patients under a legal hold be restrained (MN). - Consider an exception if patient has history of sexual assault. (BW) - OCEMS would need to educate facilities so EMS crew does not receive criticism. (PP) - Los Angeles County EMS is moving towards less restraint (JK)	OCEMS will draft new version of revised restraint policy stating that exceptions must be documented and prepare draft for public comment (MN).

	• Suggestion that So Cal LEMSAs have a multi-jurisdiction minimum equipment list (MN). - Would industry reps like to create a multi-county comparison of minimum equipment so OCEMS could attempt to facilitate simplification? (MN) - Last revision of OC EMS equipment policy included review of other jurisdictions/CHP requirements. (PP) - OCEMS should focus on Orange and Los Angeles County first, and then move on to other areas. Review process should include equipment and accreditation process. (BW) - Some areas like San Diego and Riverside have specific equipment needs due to geography (JK).	Bill Weston and Patrick Powers to create suggestions to simplify Orange County and LA County equipment and accreditation requirements. Once those have been created, OC EMS will facilitate a meeting between field representatives, EMS staff and the medical directors for the two counties. Mike Noone to assist.
VII. NEXT MEETING	April 23rd, 2014	
Meeting Adjourned	9:34am	

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