



Education & Training Advisory Sub Committee

Wednesday, July 2, 2014
9:00 a.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE			
<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>	<u>MEMBERS</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Patrick Powers, EMT-P	Lynch Ambulance Service	Rhonda Rosati, RN	Hoag Memorial Hospital
Jamie Acosta, RN	Huntington Beach Hospital	Kristin Thompson, RN	Anaheim Fire Department
Elaine Dethlefsen, RN	Santa Ana College	Melissa Vobril	Hoag Memorial Hospital
Ernest Foster, EMT-P	AmeriCare Ambulance Service	Division Chief Api Weinert	Laguna Beach Fire Department
Walter Garcia	Lynch Ambulance Service	<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>
Patrick Hernandez	CalMed Ambulance	Samuel J. Stratton, MD	Medical Director
Lori Mayfield	NPSC	Mike Delaby, RN, EMT-P	Facilities Coordinator
Jerry Melendrez	Care Ambulance Service	Vicki Sweet, RN,	ALS Program Coordinator
Rikin Patel	Premier Medical Transport	Adrian Rodriguez	EMS Specialist
		Eileen Endo	Office Specialist

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Patrick Powers at 9:00 a.m.

II. INTRODUCTIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vicki Sweet distributed to Committee members instruction on how EMS System participants may register to receive meeting agendas and reminders and EMS System announcements.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MSC: Minutes from the May 7, 2014 meetings were approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT / CORRESPONDENCE – Reported by Mike Delaby:

- **Revisions and Updates to Treatment Guidelines:** Dr. Stratton reported that additional revisions and updates are being planned for the fall. They discussed the importance of paramedics and EMTs performing primary and secondary survey in the field and welcomed feedback from Committee members on the standing orders written for primary and secondary surveys.
- **Disciplinary Actions:** Dr. Stratton emphasized that prehospital care personnel need to be reminded that any negative actions conducted off duty may affect their certification or licensure. He added, that often times, an applicant may not report a negative background clearance which may be grounds for denial of state certification or licensure.
- **Trauma Center Survey Designation:** Dr. Stratton reported that both Mission Hospital and Western Medical Center/Santa underwent survey by the American College of Surgeons. He also indicated that Children’s Hospital of Orange County has submitted an application for designation as a pediatric trauma center.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **OCEMS EMT Accreditation Curriculum (Revision Update):**
Revisions to the Accreditation Curriculum have not been completed and little progress has been made since the resignation of Mike Noone, former BLS Program Coordinator. Committee members discussed

the formation of a task group to begin working on a number of revisions including those to the spinal immobilization curriculum.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

• OC-MEDS Online Accreditation Process

Orange County EMS has noticed that a number of incomplete applications have been received via OC-MEDS. Often times documentation, such as the reverse side of the CPR card, has been omitted. Missing documentation will cause a delay in an applicant receiving his/her EMT certification. Mike Delaby reported on changes made to the licensure component to streamline the process.

• Orange County EMS Policies/Procedures Updates

- ✓ Policy/Procedure #510.00 (Emergency Medical Technician Training Program Criteria):
- ✓ Policy/Procedure #520.00 (Paramedic Training Program Criteria):
- ✓ Policy/Procedure #530.00 (Prehospital Continuing Education (CE) Provider Approval):

Administrative changes to these policies have been made so that they reflect changes made to state guidelines. Ms. Sweet is seeking feedback from system participants to improve the mechanisms in place so that Orange County EMS can maintain a continuous roster of approved skills signers.

• National Registry Emergency Medical Technician Transition Policy

Elaine Dethlefsen outlined the requirements of the National Registry EMT Transition Policy to meet the National Standards that have been implemented.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- **ICS Course Opportunities:** An ICS 300 course is being hosted by Care Ambulance Service and Lynch Ambulance Service at the end of July. Additional continuing education courses being hosted may be found on the Orange County EMS CE Education calendar.

VIII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.