



EDUCATION & TRAINING ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 6, 2015– 9:00 am

MINUTES

MEMBERSHIP / ATTENDANCE

ATTENDEES

Kai Bond
 Laura Cross, RN
 Elaine Dethlefsen, RN
 Chief Patrick Dibb
 Lamonte Dixon
 Patrick Hernandez
 Shane Hirsch
 Steve Katanich
 Therese Kennedy
 Rick Libed
 Lori Mayfield
 Jerry Melendrez
 Patrick Powers

REPRESENTING

City of Laguna Beach
 Mission Hospital
 Santa Ana College
 City of Orange Fire Department
 Samaritan Ambulance
 CalMed Ambulance
 California EMS Training
 Schaefer Ambulance Service
 North Orange County ROP
 Schaefer Ambulance Service
 NPSC
 Care Ambulance Service
 Premier Medical Transport

ATTENDEES

Stacy Robison, RN
 Kristin Thompson, RN
 Curtis Walker
 Robert Williams
 Chris Wilson

REPRESENTING

Coastline ROP
 Anaheim Fire Department
 O.C. Department of Education
 Training Educational Services
 Care Ambulance Service

ORANGE COUNTY EMS STAFF

Mike Delaby, RN - EMS Systems & Standards Chief
 Vicki Sweet, RN - ALS/CQI Coordinator
 Meng Chung, EMT-P - BLS Coordinator
 Juan Alvarez - EMS Specialist
 Adrian Rodriguez - EMS Specialist
 Eileen Endo - Office Specialist

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Patrick Powers.

II. INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Elaine Dethlefsen announced her retirement becomes effective at the end of the current school year. She introduced Patrick Dibb, Fire Chief for the City of Orange, who will succeed her as the EMT Training Program Coordinator at Santa Ana College.
- Laura Cross was introduced as the new Base Hospital Coordinator for Mission Hospital.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MSC: Minutes from the March 4, 2015 meeting were approved as submitted.

IV. OCEMS REPORT

Review Policy/Procedure Revisions: Spinal Motion Restriction (SMR) and Trauma Triage Policies: Vicki Sweet reported that on April 1, 2015 Orange County EMS released a number of policies including revisions to the stabilization of patients with a potential spinal injury and changes made to the trauma triage policies. She outlined the changes to both policies and answered questions regarding these changes.

V. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- **Update: Naloxone Pilot Study for Public Safety (Potential to Expand to BLS):** First responders are now allowed to administered naloxone under State regulations. A pilot study using personnel from Santa Ana Police Department and the Orange County Sheriff's Department is expected to begin approximately July 1, 2015.
- **Update: Local EMT Accreditation Course:** Revisions have been made to the local EMT Accreditation Course. All providers currently teaching the local EMT Accreditation course are required to reapply in order to teach the course. For the most part, course content did not change except for the inclusion of the policy changes to spinal motion restriction and trauma triage.

VII. **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Definition of "Full Set of Vital Signs":** The private providers CQI meeting discussed the documentation of vital signs as a result of measuring indicators for quality improvement purposes. Committee members discussed concerns about what is being taught by EMT training programs and the expectations of EMTs in the field when providing a report to the hospital.
- **Revisions to EMT and First Responder Regulations:** The State of California has revised Chapter 1.5 (First Aid and CPR Standards and Training for Public Safety Personnel Regulations) effective April 1, 2015. They discussed the Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) programs taught by the Regional Occupation Programs; training required for lifeguards and law enforcement personnel. Regulations may be downloaded from the State EMS Authority website.

VIII. **OTHER BUSINESS / ROUNDTABLE**

- **Robert Williams:** Asked whether programs applying to teach the new OC Accreditation course and whether we can ensure that programs maintain supplies.
- **EMT Training Program Clinical Rotations:** Stacy Robison expressed concerns in obtaining clinical time with hospitals and ambulance service providers. Elaine Dethlefsen shared information about a study performed by the California Council of EMS Educators and the experiences of other training programs throughout Southern California. Committee members shared their difficulties in obtaining clinical time with providers.
- **Continuing Education Providers:** Ms. Sweet cautioned that if a continuing education provider authorizes an individual to use the provider's CE number, and that the signature of the program director is on the CE certificate. Orange County EMS is conducting spot audits as well as the State (paramedic licensure).
- **Sidewalk CPR:** Meng Chung announced that Sidewalk CPR is being held on Thursday, June 4, 2015. Anyone interested in participating should contact Meng for further information.

IX. **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.