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Subject: Notification of the 2019 American College of Surgeons Assessment of the Orange County Trauma and Emergency Medical Services System

This memo is to notify all Orange County Emergency Medical Services (OCEMS) system stakeholders that the County has contracted with the American College of Surgeons (ACS) to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the Orange County Trauma and EMS System. The ACS Trauma System Consultation (TSC) will not only be insightful to policy-makers, operational personnel and key system stakeholders, but will also provide valuable and specific recommendations for additional system improvement activities. A multidisciplinary group of national trauma and emergency care experts will conduct the independent and in-depth consultative review over 4 days (tentatively scheduled for 7/15/19 – 7/18/19) including:

- Critical analysis of the current Trauma System, challenges to its existing infrastructure and resource and its opportunities for future development.
- Recommendations for system improvement and enhancement.
- Priority recommendations in areas requiring more focused attention.

In order to ensure a successful review, a broad representation of healthcare providers from multiagency groups across the Orange County Trauma and EMS System will be engaged during the assessment period. Stakeholders will represent all components of the Trauma and EMS System, including:

- Trauma Services
- Emergency Medicine
- Nursing
- Prehospital
- Rehabilitation
- Injury Epidemiology
- Disaster
- Research
- Trauma Information Systems

Key representatives will receive an invitation and specific details to participate in the discussion, and all stakeholders will be provided an opportunity to submit comments and questions for the ACS TSC Review Team’s consideration. An online survey link will be posted to the OCEMS website by May 1st for this purpose.

The link below will provide more information on the American College of Surgeons (ACS) Trauma Systems Consultation (TSC) Program.

<https://www.facs.org/quality-programs/trauma/tqp/systems-programs/tscp>

Thank you for your support and interest in promoting and advancing emergency healthcare for Orange County.