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MISSION STATEMENT

“As advisors to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors, the Mission of the Emergency Medical Care Committee is to be an advocate for the community through the development of strategies for continuous improvement of the emergency medical services system.”

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE (EMCC)
Prehospital/Hospital Subcommittee Meeting
Chara Cote, R.N., Chair/ Brian Covell, R.N., Vice Chair

Minutes

Thursday, January 9, 2020

IN ATTENDANCE

Members

Froelich, Dan – County Paramedic Agencies Committee
Mercer, Kevin – SD County Ambulance Association
Parra, Frank – SD Fire Chiefs’ Association
Pearson, Danielle – County Paramedic Agencies Committee
Scott, Christopher, MD – SD County Medical Society
Wells, Chris (Alt) – Base Hospital Nurse Coordinator

County Staff

Christison, Brian
del Toro, Nicole (recorder)
Pacheco, R.N., Cheryl
Parr, Andy
Osth, Cory
Schoenheit, R.N., Candy
Sigmund, Justin

Agency Representatives

Beckert, Mark – Carlsbad FD
Hayflich, Vanessa – Air Methods
Pearson, Nate – Carlsbad FD
Smith, R.N., Zechariah – AMR/CSA17
Strikwerda, Cecilia – Scripps La Jolla
Wecklich, Steve – Vista FD

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frank Parra, called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Introductions were made. Chief Mark Beckert was introduced and will be replacing Nate Pearson as RDMS Chief at Carlsbad Fire Department. Chris Wells introduced her new assistant Cecilia Strikwerda from Scripps La Jolla.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Chris Scott, seconded by Chris Wells to approve the November 14, 2019 EMCC Prehospital/Hospital minutes. Motion carried.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

There were no public comments or petitions submitted.

IV. STAFF REPORT

- A. Capacity Plan – Enhanced Surveillance was initiated on December 24, 2019. As of January 7, 2020, surveillance is now at Level 3 (Partial Activation) due to substantial and significant offload delays. County staff continue to monitor EMS and hospital data closely, as well as consulting with the Operational Core Group on a regular basis. The Enhanced Surveillance Dashboard was displayed, which shows how the data is measured.
- B. Procurements – San Marcos Operating Area information should be released. Bids are back in for the Unified Service Area. The process is ongoing at the department of Purchasing and Contracting.
- C. Policies and Protocols – The Treatment Protocol Taskforce met on November 15, 2019. Over 30 Adult Protocols with changes will be placed on a link and will be distributed to the BSPC group next week for review and will be routed through the January BSPC Meeting; Pediatric Protocols will be reviewed in February’s BSPC Meeting.
- D. EMCC Change venue for 2020 – EMCC meeting in 2020 will now be held at National University in Clairemont Mesa off Ruffin Road (across from the new Kaiser Hospital). EMCC meets on the 4th Thursday of every month except August and December. There is ample parking at this location and we will occupy one of the classrooms that seats 50 people comfortably. Please see the EMCC flier on the EMS website at www.sandiegocountyems.com for more information and a map to National University.
- E. Love Your Heart – An annual event in which organizations from across the U.S. and Mexico join together to provide FREE blood pressure screenings to the public on Valentine’s Day, February 14. The Love Your Heart media kickoff event is on February 13th at the County Administration Center at 10:00 am. Last year’s Love Your Heart event helped over 36,000 people get to “know their numbers” and take charge of their own health. If interested in coordinating or participating in a Love Your Heart event, visit www.loveyourheartsd.com for more information. Data will be collected at the end of the day.

V. POLICIES

- T-716: Transfer of Stable Trauma Service Health Plan Members

A motion was made by Chris Scott, seconded by Dan Froelich to approve Policy T-716. Motion carried.

- T-717: Trauma Center Injury Prevention Activities

A motion was made by Chris Scott, seconded by Dan Froelich to approve Policy T-717. Motion carried.

- T-719: Trauma Provider Marketing and Advertising

A motion was made by Chris Scott, seconded by Dan Froelich to approve Policy T-719. Motion carried.

- S-010: Guideline for Hospital Ambulance Diversion

A motion was made by Chris Scott, seconded by Kevin Mercer to approve Policy S-010. Motion carried.

- P-801: Requirements for Providers of Advances Life Support Service (Status Update)

Dr. Chris Kahn formed an Ad hoc subcommittee. The subcommittee met in December and will meet again after EMCC in January. County EMS staff continues to work on revisions.

VI. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 10:17 AM.
Next EMCC Prehospital/Hospital Subcommittee meeting is on February 13, 2020.