



**BASE STATION PHYSICIANS' COMMITTEE (BSPC) AND PREHOSPITAL AUDIT COMMITTEE
(PAC) MEETINGS
Special COVID-19 Zoom**

Tuesday, July 19, 2022 | 11:00 am
Minutes/Notes

1. CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS (Jennifer Farah, MD)

Dr. Farah called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.
Dr. Michelle Safferman, UCSD EMS Fellow was introduced.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made with a second to approve the minutes from June 28, 2022. Motion carried.

3. OPENING REMARKS (Kristi Koenig, MD)

- Reminder that high quality CPR is important and simple to do.
- Several emerging and reemerging infectious diseases are circulating, including Ebola like diseases in Ghana and Tanzania and the Monkey Pox virus.
- Dr. Koenig provided an update of the most recent information on the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. DATA PRESENTATION (Josh Smith, Ph.D.)

Josh Smith provided a detailed presentation of the County of San Diego EMS Surveillance Report Dashboard.

- A. COVID-19 Data
- B. Hospital Data and EMS System Stress

5. COUNTY UPDATES (Christi Robbins, RN)

- Health Services Capacity Task Force increased to Plan Level 2, Escalated Activation.
- Change in data collection methodology for transfer of Care: Beginning July 1, 2022, EMS transport units will no longer be required to manually record an electronic TOC timestamp within the FirstWatch application (the TOC button). Instead, the receiving hospital's ePCR signature timestamp will be imported into the County EMS TOC dataset. Validation testing to the new methodology has shown the data to be accurate and reliable. Please ensure that the ePCR signatures occurs at bedside when patient transfer of car occurs.
- Procurement updates: Interested parties are encouraged to register with the BuyNet web portal to receive the most up to date procurement information.
 - RFP for evaluation of Base Station and Trauma Catchment areas – upcoming.
 - RFI Industry Day was hosted on June 7, 2022.
 - RFP for CSA 17 was posted to BuyNet on May 24 and closes on July 1st.
- County EMS offices will be closed Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day.

6. COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE (Jessica Gall, RN)

- Go-live date expected to be October 1st.

7. MEDICATION/SUPPLY SHORTAGES (Jessica Gall, RN)

Jessica Gall provided a review of the ongoing medication shortages.

- Expected arrival dates continue to change.
- Important to keep track of expiration dates and hold on to expired medication.
- Plan for shortages.

8. OPIOID EPIDEMIC MITIGATION (Christi Robbins, RN)

- Reviewed the Leave Behind Naloxone Program.
- Provided current opioid epidemic statistics.
- Barrier Assessment
- Steps on how to get involved – 2 step process:
 - Step 1 – State application and requirements.
 - Step 2 – Send in required documents to EMS office to finalize approval to participate.

9. TREATMENT ON GURNEY WORKGROUP UPDATE (Jennifer Farah, MD)

- Provided a list of suggestions for review and guidance.
- 3 main categories:
 - Lab work
 - Diagnostics
 - Medication/Treatment
- Group discussion followed.

10. SAN DIEGO RESUSCITATION CONSORTIUM WORKGROUP (Saul Levine, MD)

- Please contact Dr. Levine with questions.

11. BASE HOSPITAL NURSE COORDINATORS (BHNC) REPORT (Chris Wells, RN)

- Please remind crews to let Charge Nurse know when patients arrive.
- MCI protocols

12. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS/BSPC ADJOURNMENT (Jennifer Farah, MD)

The BSPC meeting was adjourned at 11:59 am. The next BSPC/PAC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 27, 2022.