

# BASE STATION HOSPITAL & TRAUMA CATCHMENT AREA REPORTS

San Diego County EMS Office



# County EMS Introductions



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# EVALUATION BACKGROUND

HOW DID WE GET HERE?



# Community Input and Engagement

	Total	Prehospital	Hospital	Other
In-person Interviews	15	3	4	8
Virtual Interviews	102	32	68	2
In-person Listening Sessions	29	4	24	1
Virtual Listening Sessions	75	24	51	-
Stakeholder Survey Responses	367	294	61	12
Public Input Survey Responses	30	-	-	-



# Report Findings

Base Station Hospital System	Trauma Catchment Area System
Unnecessary and burdensome requirement to contact the Base Station	Trauma Center Hospitals are generally satisfied with current boundaries, but some North County ambulance providers are not satisfied
Lack of coordination with routing and load leveling ambulances	Good cooperation between trauma centers
Fragmented data collection	Sufficient balance/volume of patients at each Trauma Center Hospital currently, but a change could impact sustainability
Inconsistencies with Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement plans	Concern over the impact on the Trauma System of severely injured patients coming from the border area





# Base Station Recommendations

- Standardizing quality assurance / quality improvement
- Upgraded technology
- Develop a core group of online medical direction physicians
- Establish hospital EMS liaisons
- Data accessibility
- Establish single command and control center
- Patient load leveling & real-time hospital status
- Nearly eliminate radio reports and provide direct transmission of patient data
- Limit radio reports





# Trauma Center Catchment Area Recommendations



- Increased collaboration and communications
- Utilization of application-based tools
- Improve trauma registry data
- Enhance the capture of trauma case locations

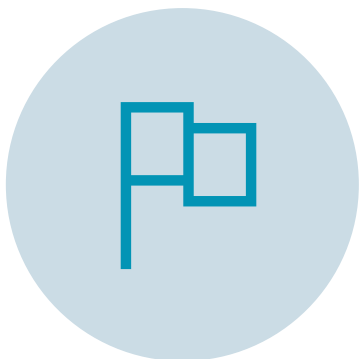
# Next Steps



COUNTY EMS FORMING  
WORKING GROUPS



DEVELOP PILOT  
MODELS



REALIGN EMS QA/QI  
PLAN





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**Comprehensive Evaluations of the Base Station Hospital System and the Trauma Catchment Area Designations**

The San Diego region offers a robust Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System of emergency, specialty, and trauma medical care through its cooperating hospitals. The County of San Diego, in its role as the Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA) oversees and upholds the standards of the EMS system, which includes designation of base station hospitals, trauma centers, and trauma center catchment areas.

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