



EL DORADO COUNTY
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

MINUTES

Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) Meeting

Date: January 10, 2018

Time: 1:00 to 3:00

Location: HHSA Sierra Conference Room

I. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Attendees:

Aryon, Nielsen, EMS Agency
Ryan Wagoner, Cal Tahoe JPA
Corey McLeod, Barton ER
Suzie Matin, State Parks
Greg Schwab, Georgetown FPD
Eileen Flatgard, EMS Agency
Edward Dwyer, Mosquito FPD
Tony Gasporra, Lake Valley FPD
Christopher Garrigues, Garden Valley FPD
Sherrie Kelley, West Slope JPA
Steve McNamara, North Tahoe FPD

Richard Todd, EMS Agency
Tim Alameda, Lake Valley FPD
Michele Williams, Marshall ER
Ken Earle, Diamond FPD
Karl Pedroni, AMR
David Brazzel, EMS Agency
Tim Cordero, EDC FPD
Brad Zlendick, Lake Valley FPD
Debbie Madding, SRMC
Marty Hackett, West Slope JPA
Bryan Pond, CALSTAR

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. The minutes of the 12/13/17 MAC meeting were approved and posted to the EMS Agency website.

III. CHAIRMAN REPORT: (David Brazzel, M.D.)

- A. Skills Day: Save the date for the 2018 skills day which will be held in Cameron Park on January 31st. Review will include Intubation, King tubes, Needle Chest Decompression, Needle Cricothyrotomy, IO placement, and EtCO₂ monitoring. Please contact Michele Williams at 530-626-2770 ext. 2246# for registration.
- B. Yolo County EMS Symposium: Yolo County EMS Agency is sponsoring a symposium for Emergency Care of the Trauma Patient on April 13, 2018 at the Woodland Community & Event Center in Woodland. Register at <http://bit.ly/YoloEMS> and cost is \$45.00 which includes a continental breakfast and lunch. 8 CE's are also available at this training.
- C. Disaster Certification: On February 7th, there will be a Public Health Disaster Certification training event in the HHSA Sierra conference room at Briw road Suite B. Training starts at 6 pm.

- D. Blood Draws: As a reminder, medics employed by fire departments are not permitted to conduct blood draws for Law Enforcement (LE). All LE requested blood draws need to be facilitated by hospital staff upon transfer of care.
- E. Influenza: Influenza has peaked and both local hospitals have been significantly impacted. Please use masks and appropriate PPE when interacting with patients with suspected influenza. Vaccines are still available and if you have not received your vaccine.

IV. BASE STATION HOSPITAL REPORTS:

A. BARTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (BMH): (Corey McLeod, M.D.)

- Busy: Barton hospital has been extremely busy with the holiday crowds and increase in influenza patients.
- Community Paramedicine Pilot Program Update: Ross Elliott from the CAA has notified EMS providers of a bill that currently would need senate floor approval to support community paramedicine pilot programs. The Tahoe Basin program has not been sent to the IRB yet and so will now be placed on hold until further notice is provided.

B. MARSHALL MEDICAL CENTER (MMC): (Michele Williams, R.N.)

- Influenza: Marshall has been significantly impacted with influenza cases which in turn have created an increase in wait times for transfer of patient care.
- Annual EMS Update: In order to accommodate all shifts, the dates for the Annual EMS Update are May 14th, 16th, and 18th. Please be prepared to attend one of these dates. Additional information with topics and location will be available at a later date.
- Tabletop Exercise: Marshall will be participating in an active tabletop exercise on February 8th. The goal of this exercise is to “evacuate” 20% of the in house population as quickly as possible. Michele will provide a briefing at next month’s MAC.
- 911 Texts: It has been determined that not all the medics are receiving active 911 texts for local traffic and base hospital information. The solution to this issue is to have the information pushed from the CAD page so medics will be notified timely.

V. EMS AGENCY REPORT: (Richard Todd)

- Influenza: As a reminder, December 1st was the deadline for flu shots for all first responders. If you haven’t received your vaccine, there is still time. Otherwise, providers will need to mask-up when providing patient care. Tamiflu is also currently in short supply in areas outside of El Dorado County.

- CQI Module: Aryon has done a terrific job putting together the CQI module in the ImageTrend program. It's anticipated that the module will be completed within the next month. Thank you again Aryon, great job!
- Wall Time: Please make sure to document wall time on the PCR and also inform the charge nurse that you are on the wall with the patient. The ER's have been extremely busy and it's possible you may be overlooked.
- EMS Authority: The EMS Authority newsletter is posted on our website and contains valuable information. You can also find it here: <https://emsa.ca.gov/emsa-e-newsletter/>
- Face Sheets: The EMS agency and our billing company still require paper face sheets for submission. We are working on an upgrade with ImageTrend and Intermedix to find a solution to this requirement. Once our staff has EPIC access at Marshall, this requirement will hopefully be dropped.

VI. AMBULANCE BILLING: (Eileen Flatgard)

- Frequent Flyers: Please use the patient search option when inputting patient demographics. By adding a patient manually, you may actually be creating "duplicate" patients in the system.
- Face Sheets & PCS Forms: All crew members need to scan and attach the face sheets and PCS forms for IFT's prior to posting the call. Submitting the attachments to billing without attaching to the PCR will delay the billing process as we then have to scan and send them to Intermedix. .
- Pictures: As a reminder, pictures attached to the ePCR's must be legible and clean. The pictures should be taken while using **Elite Field** and when the call has not yet been posted. Acceptable pictures are; face sheets, PCS forms, and EKG strips that were not imported via the monitor. Additionally, all original PCS forms and face sheets still need to be delivered to the EMS Agency as we are still working with Intermedix during the ImageTrend transition.

VII. JPA REPORTS:

A. WEST SLOPE JPA: (Marty Hackett)

- Service Reports: The BOS will need to approve a half time medic unit to accommodate the 22% increase in IFT's and 20 % increase in 911 calls.
- Request for Information: An RFI went out to all West Slope service agencies to obtain availability to staff an additional half-time medic unit. After reviewing the responses, Diamond Springs Fire will provide staffing. Additional information on the status of this item will be available at future MAC meetings.
- Medic 51: It is hopeful that Medic 51 will go into reserve status in Garden Valley to cover the service area when M61 is out on calls. There is a meeting scheduled February 7th to discuss this pilot program. An update will be presented at the February MAC meeting.

- Marshall Hospital: Marshall Hospital is now officially part of the JPA Board of Directors. Congrats!

B. CAL TAHOE JPA: (Ryan Wagoner)

- Community Paramedicine Pilot Program: Ryan stated the Community Paramedicine program is on hold awaiting senate hearings at the end of the month.
- JPA Meeting: The Board will meet next Monday and vote on adding Barton Hospital to the JPA Board of Directors. Ryan will update this status next month.
- Staffing Medic 2: Medic 2 will go into service full time during ski season and post up at station 6. Originally, Medic 2 was designated as a 12 hour unit but call volume has increased significantly.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. CQI COMMITTEE: (Christopher Garrigues)

- CQI Process: The CQI process is still being built in the ImageTrend program. Aryon has been working diligently to get this process completed and will have an update at next month meeting.
- Report Writer: The report writer module was reviewed in ImageTrend with CQI staff.
- Data: Went over where and how to pull data in ImageTrend
- Rope Rescues: Metro has lights for night rescues.
- Christmas Day MPI: Reviewed the call and kudos to staff.
- 12 Leads: All 12 leads must be either imported or photo attached to the ePCR. No exceptions.

B. PAC: (Aryon Nielsen)

- Head Trauma: Policy is finished.
- Oral Intubation: Name was changed.
- Narcotic Boxes: Working on a policy for the boxes.
- Crush Syndrome: Suspended at this time.
- 5150 and Handcuffs: Will require an officer along (can follow) for safety.
- Pandemic Influenza: Removed H1N1 and Novel Flu to encompass all flu strains.
- MD on Scene: Still working on that policy.

IX. OLD BUSINESS: EPCR Update (Richard Todd & Aryon Nielsen)

- Exception Reports: Aryon has been working with ImageTrend to see if there is a way to incorporate the Exception Reports into the program. She will have an update next month.
- Thank You! The EMS Agency staff would again like to thank everyone for their patience and assistance during this transition from paper to electronic PCR's. Transitions are difficult and we have been fortunate to have the support from all the service agencies.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

- ChemPack Training: Region IV will sponsor ChemPack training sometime in June possibly at the Truckee Airport. Additional information will be provided once the dates have been identified.

XI. SERVICE AGENCY REPORTS:

- A. EDC TRAINING OFFICERS:** (Ken Earle): The training officers are working on a medicine level sub-group and this group should include the chiefs due to the level of complexity of medicine involved in patient care. FTO's will provide the training. Also, Con-Space training will take place with Rescue 1. Additional information will be available at future MAC meetings.
- B. CALSTAR/REACH:** (Bryan Pond): Nothing to report
- C. CALFIRE:** (Greg Schwegler): Not Present
- D. CARE FLIGHT:** (Markus Dorsey-Hirt): Not Present.
- E. AMR:** (Karl Pedroni): Nothing to report
- F. CHP:** (Jimmy Hendrix): Not Present.
- G. SUTTER ROSEVILLE MC:** (Debbie Madding): Debbie is back from her medical leave and is now working on the schedule for the upcoming year. She also wanted to relay that SRMC saw a record breaking 289 patients on 12/26/17 with a 34 bed ER.
- H. U.C. DAVIS MC:** (David Buettner): The first run review of the year was completed yesterday. David will get the schedule of the remaining run reports to Rich in the next month. Sac County EMS will be bringing back diversions and UCD is also dealing with wait time issues due to the increase in patients seen in the ER this flu season.
- I. STATE PARKS:** (Suzanne Matin): Suzanne stated the State Parks Agency has updated their protocols and will provide that information to Rich.
- J. Mercy Folsom:** (Theresa Franklin-Piercy): Not present.

XII. NEXT MEETING: *February 14th, 2018, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.* HHSA, 3057 Briw Road, Sierra Conference Room. *For directions to the HHSA Conference room, [click here!](#)*