



EL DORADO COUNTY
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

MINUTES

Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) Meeting

Date: August 10, 2016

Time: 1:00 to 3:00

Location: HHS Sierra Conference Room

I. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Attendees:

Corey McLeod, Barton ER
Sienna Gabler, Barton ER
Greg Schwab, Georgetown FPD
Grant Ingram, Pioneer FPD
Marty Hackett, West Slope JPA
Kenneth Earle, Diamond FPD
Alexis Lieser, Marshall ER
David Buettner, UC Davis
Aryon, Nielsen, EMS Agency
Cate Neal, Barton ER

Ryan Wagoner, Cal Tahoe JPA
Michele Williams, Marshall ER
Eileen Flatgard, EMS Agency
David Brazzel, EMS Agency
Richard Todd, EMS Agency
Dennis Carter, AMR
Debbie Madding, SRMC
Eric Polan, Reach
Joel Warman, Rescue FPD

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. Minutes of the 06/08/16 MAC meeting were approved and posted to the EMS Agency website.

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

- A. Zika Update: Health Officers in California were reminded by the California Department of Public Health that nobody should release, report, or confirm numbers on a county's Zika related pregnancy outcome including birth defects, not even if the county's total is zero. Protecting this information is standard protocol for Nursing's Communicable Disease staff. The CDC and the CDPH have also issued travel advisories due to the Zika virus and recommend precautions if you plan to travel in areas where Zika has been confirmed.
- B. Meningococcal Outbreak: There is an outbreak of the meningococcal disease in southern California, primarily among gay and bisexual individuals. Military personnel and High School students are also at risk. Symptoms include rapid onset of fever, headache, stiff neck, and can be fatal. Death can occur in as little as several hours but there is a vaccine available. The disease is spread from

person to person via close contact or droplets. Be aware and take precautions if meningococcal disease is suspected.

IV. BASE STATION HOSPITAL REPORTS:

A. BARTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (BMH): (Dr. Corey McLeod, Cate Neal, R.N.)

- Inter facility transports: Dr. McLeod provided a handout and a conversation ensued regarding Barton's position on Mental Health inter-facility transports and the cost/distance associated with providing that service. Dr. McLeod also provided this information at a recent Board of Supervisor's meeting. A task force will be assembled and a meeting will be set in the near future to further discuss this topic.
- ACS Re-verification: Cate reported that Barton is up for their Level III Trauma Center re-verification in Oct of 2017. They have submitted their application and will keep this committee advised of the progress.

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

- ER: The ER has been busy this past June and July with an average of 95 patients seen daily.
- Annual Update: There will be a makeup day for the annual skills update held in May. Michele will check her calendar and get an email out next week with dates for this make up.
- ACS Re-verification: The American College of Surgeons will be at Marshall in January for their Level III Trauma Center re-verification visit.

V. EMS AGENCY REPORT: (Richard Todd)

- STEMI Transfers: Aryon will need copies of all stemi transfers completed within the county. Please complete the stemi form (located on the website, [Click here!](#)) and include a copy of the PCR. You can fax your forms to Aryon at: 530-621-2758.
- New Hires/terminations: The EMS agency needs to know if you have staff terminating employment, or if you have hired any new medics. Please contact Patti at 530-621-6500 with any staff changes that occur within your department.
- CQI Rep: Please ensure your agency is sending a CQI rep to the monthly CQI meetings.
- EPCR Update: Two vendors were invited to provide a demonstration of their product and answer questions for the EPCR panel. A decision will be made next week and a contract will be awarded to the selected candidate. An

announcement will then be made to notify all agencies of the selected vendor. The goal is to have an electronic patient care report on the streets in early 2017.

VI. AMBULANCE BILLING: (Eileen Flatgard)

- Intermedix: Our new contracted ambulance billing vendor assumed billing operations effective July 1, 2016. We are now sending all our billing documents to Intermedix. Any PCR's on the hold lists through June 30, 2016 needs to be submitted to billing immediately as we are no longer contracted with Wittman enterprises.
- Medicare and Medi-Cal revalidations: We are still collecting information for our revalidation with both Medicare and Medi-Cal. If you are contacted for insurance information, driver's licenses, or medic licenses, please provide the requested information as soon as possible so we can adhere to submission deadlines. Without a completed package of documents to both the Feds and State, we will be unable to bill these carriers for service.

VII. JPA REPORTS:

A. WEST SLOPE JPA: (Marty Hackett)

- Gold Panning Championships: It is estimated that 500+ contestants from 100 countries are expected in El Dorado County on September 11-18, 2016, for the world champion gold panning competition in Georgetown and Coloma. There will be two weeks of competition, and the plan is to up-staff with a half time unit to accommodate the increase in expected volume.
- Grant Money: A homeland security grant was secured for \$21,000 to outfit each ambulance with Wi-Fi routers. The County already has a bid currently out for those routers so an RFP will not need to be recreated. Chief Schwab was also able to secure \$53,000 for radio repeaters and \$23,000 for equipment needed for the rescue team.
- HIPAA: Please be extra diligent while you have possession of patient care reports. These reports contain confidential patient information and must always be maintained securely until they are submitted to the EMS office.
- Defibs: Diamond Springs fire is still conducting field demo's with two different models of monitors. Once the field trials are completed, a recommendation will be made to the JPA for a purchase.

B. CAL TAHOE JPA: (Ryan Wagoner)

- Non-Transporting: Ryan has been working on the transport issue with the city of South Lake Tahoe Fire district. The City of South Lake Tahoe Fire Department has elected to terminate ambulance services effective June 30, 2016. This process has been in the works since December of 2015. Effective

July 1, 2016, the JPA and Lake Valley will be the only service agencies providing ambulance transport services in the South Lake Tahoe basin.

- New Medics: Four of the twelve medics previously employed by the city of SLT FD have accepted positions with the JPA this week.
- New Faces at Lake Valley: Lake Valley Fire Protection District has a new interim chief and several new firefighters/medics. CQI meetings will continue to take place at the Lake Valley fire station.
- Contracts: The Cal Tahoe JPA Board of Directors is still discussing a possible contract extension to continue with the current model of ambulance transport services in the basin, or possibly letting the existing contract go once it expires in August of 2019. Ryan will keep this committee informed of any decisions or recommendations made by their board.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. CQI COMMITTEE: (Joel Warman)

- Case Review: Several cases were discussed with good learning points.
- Forms: As a reminder, Trauma-triage, airway management and STEMI forms need to be sent to Michele with a copy of your PCR. No exceptions!
- SMR: A focus study on SMR will be scheduled at a later date.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

A. None to Report.

X. NEW BUSINESS:

A. None to Report.

XI. SERVICE AGENCY REPORTS:

- A. EDC TRAINING OFFICERS:** (Ken Earle): The EMT training program with Los Rios Community College District has been completed and the only item still outstanding is the contracts from the JPA and Marshall Medical Center. A special thank you to Lake Tahoe Community College folks for their help and assistance updating this educational program.
- B. CALSTAR:** (Bryan Pond): Not Present
- C. CALFIRE:** (Shane Gernandt): Not Present
- D. CARE FLIGHT:** (Markus Dorsey-Hirt): Not Present.
- E. REACH:** (Eric Polan): Acquisition of CALSTAR will take place in the next 30 days. They will continue to operate on their own until the administrative logistic are completed.

- F. **AMR:** (Dennis Carter): No Report.
- G. **CHP:** (Jimmy Hendrix): Not Present.
- H. **SUTTER ROSEVILLE MC:** (Debbie Madding): No Report.
- I. **U.C. DAVIS MC:** (David Buettner): No Report
- J. **STATE PARKS:** (Suzanne Matin): Not Present.

XII. **NEXT MEETING:** **September 14th, 2016, 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!](#)*