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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)

Linda Rosenberg, Chair – Sharon Carlson, Vice-Chair
Education/Research Subcommittee
6255 Mission Gorge Road, San Diego, CA 92120
Wednesday, June 15, 2015

Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE

Members

Abbott, Stephen – District 5
Carlson, R.N., Sharon – Hosp. Assoc. of SD/Imperial County
Rosenberg, R.N., Linda – Emergency Nurses Association
Wells, R.N., Chris – Base Hospital Nurse Coordinators

County Staff

Ameng, R.N., Diane
Haynes, M.D., Bruce
Metz, R.N., Marcy
Smith, R.N., Susan
Wolchko, Janet (Recorder)

Agency Representatives

Davis, Mike – Carlsbad/SDCFB
Jensen, Ann – City of San Diego
Osborn, Steve – Rural Metro
Yates, Judith – Hospital Association of SD/Imp Counties

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda Rosenberg, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

There were no public comments or petitions received.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **A motion was made by Sharon Carlson, Seconded by Steve Abbott to approve the January 28, 2015 EMCC Education/Research Subcommittee meeting minutes. Motion carried.**
- **A motion was made by Chris Wells, Seconded by Linda Rosenberg to approve the March 16, 2015 EMCC Education/Research Subcommittee meeting minutes. Motion carried.**
- **A motion was made by Sharon Carlson, Seconded by Chris Wells to approve the April 20, 2015 EMCC Education/Research Subcommittee meeting minutes. Motion carried.**

IV. REVIEW COMMUNITY PARAMEDICINE (CP) READINESS REPORT

- A. Leadership & Collaboration Plan – Submitted early in pilot preparation. No updates.
- B. Candidate & Supervisor Selection Plan – Submitted early in pilot preparation. No changes.
- C. Local Treatment Protocols – City of Carlsbad stated that Kaiser is in the process of training their physicians on the protocols and the base station medical director curriculum. In July there will be a test and walk through.
- D. Local Site-specific Curriculum Development Plan – Both pilots have provided site specific training in preparation for go-live. Go-live dates have changed multiple times awaiting IRB approval and baseline data collection.
- E. Evaluation & Data Analysis
 1. City of San Diego pilot project submitted their data for the study. Start date will be August 1, 2015, a month after the IRB approval.

There are some issues with the process of data update and submission with UCSF. Pilots are updating their data differently according to wording of the questions. All of the statewide projects were combined on the same account.
 2. City of Carlsbad is streamlining telemedicine with Kaiser. Familiarization and testing with the system will be in July. The new Patient Care Record (PCR) system will hopefully be completed in July.

IPADs are being used with the Kaiser system, which has a secured encrypted video link system.

Lou Meyer and Dr. Vilke are anticipating an August start date for the City of Carlsbad pilot project.
- F. Monitoring & Patient Safety/Quality Improvement
 1. City of San Diego is reviewing their IRB before submission.
 2. City of Carlsbad/Kaiser IRB is completed with UCSD.

G. Informed Consent –

1. The City of San Diego is currently working out a common consent form that will fit with their IRB and the State pilot process. The IRB recommends a certain standard to determine a patient's capacity to consent.

Judith Yates added that particular attention is being given to the San Diego pilot projects. The Hospital Association of San Diego/Imperial Counties (HASDIC) has received calls from San Francisco and Santa Barbara with colleagues wanting to discuss the San Diego projects.

H. State Advisory Committee Update – Susan Smith

1. Site Visits:

- The subject of questions regarding preparation of site visits are similar to the discussions during EMCC Education/Research Subcommittee, such as training, medics identified in the training, objectives and challenges.
- Site visits include document review and academic tracking system review of grades and attendance. Also asked was what metrics matter most to the pilots.
- State Advisory Committee site visit for City of San Diego is July 16, 2015 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at UCLA.

2. The pilot projects are moving in a positive direction. Alternative Destination/Mental Health pilot projects have some challenges.

3. Pilot projects have submitted their base line data which is under review.

Anne Jensen noted that there are some UCSF instruction issues such as training, medics identified, and challenges such as the academic training tool and metrics of the pilot projects.

V. FUTURE ITEMS

Anne Jensen offered to give a presentation of the CP protocols at the next meeting.

Anne Jensen stated that the Center for Medical/Medicare Services (CMS) had a meeting in Washington DC regarding Medicare/Medicaid. Ft. Worth, Pittsburg and a few other cities along with City of San Diego have been developing a set of core community paramedic measures which were presented to the Agency of Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and Medicare. Partners in developing the core measures were Pittsburgh, Ft. Worth, Reno and St. Louis.

County Chiefs EMS Section has discussed additional delivery models. With the CP projects, there is an opportunity to streamline the system and make it effective and efficient, but there may be some issues with payers.

Discussion ensued on the alignment of the CP projects financial model and scope of practice.

VI. ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 am. Next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2015.