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BASE STATION PHYSICIANS' COMMITTEE (BSPC) MEETING

Steven Weinstein, M.D., Chair
Sharp Spectrum Auditorium
8695 Spectrum Center Court, San Diego, CA 92123
April 16, 2019

Minutes

Members Present

Cardall, M.D., Taylor – Scripps La Jolla BHMD
Donofrio, D.O., Joelle – City of SD Assistant
Medical Director/Rady Children's BHMD
Farah, M.D., Jenny – UCSD BHMD
Fischer, M.D., Andy – Tri-City BHMD
Hums, Jason – SWCC Agency
Kahn, M.D., Chris – City of SD Medical
Director/UCSD Agency
Klingensmith, Todd – SD Co. Paramedics
Association
Levine, M.D., Saul – Sharp Memorial BHMD
Marzec, M.D., Karl – Palomar BHMD
Schwartz, M.D., Brad – AMR/RCCP Director
Weinstein, M.D., Steven – Sharp Grossmont

County Staff

Del Toro, Nicole – Recorder
Koenig, M.D., Kristi – EMS Medical Director
Pacheco, R.N., Cheryl
Smith, R.N., Susan
Stepanski, Barbara
Trejo-Valdez, Davina
Velasco, Anjelica

In Attendance

Andrade, Jared – Cal Fire/San Diego CoFire
Ayers, Kathi – Sharp Memorial
Branning, Mark – San Diego Health Connect
Campman, Steve – County Medical Examiner
Cheng, M.D., Tabitha – UCSD
Clark, R.N., Amy – Palomar Medical Center
Cote, R.N., Chara – Tri-City Medical Center
Covell, R.N., Brian – Mercy
deKlerk, R.N., Maude – RCCP
Dotson, R.N., Melody – UCSD BHNC
Duffy, R.N., Jenny – San Marcos Fire
Garrow, Jennifer – AHA
Graydon, R.N., Cheryl – Palomar Medical Ctr BHNC
Healy, R.N., Marla – Sharp Memorial
Holcomb, Art – Escondido Fire
Idman-Gervais, R.N., Dianne – Sharp Grossmont
McFarland, Jeanne – Escondido
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont BHNC
Murphy, Mary – CFD
Neil, Mark – Reach Air
Pearson, R.N., Danielle – Vista Fire
Pierce, Jodi – SDFD
Rios, Matt – Miramar FD
Roesch, Allyse – Mercy Medical Transportation
Rosenberg, R.N., Linda – Sharp Memorial
Russo, Joe - SDFD
Seabloom, R.N., Lynne – Oceanside Fire
Sloane, M.D., Christian – Mercy Air
Sullivan, R.N., Karen – Mercy BHNC
Sullivan, Don – AMR
Torres, Jesse – Mercy Medical Transportation
Virgen, Carlos – Sycuan FD
Walrath, Benjamin – Navy
Wang, Yvette – Rady Children's Hospital
Wells, R.N., Christine – Scripps La Jolla
Wojnowski, Jay – Heartland Fire
Deavila, Greg – Oceanside Fire

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Introductions were made.

Dr. Koenig introduced two presenters:

- 1) Deputy District Attorney Terri Perez with the County of San Diego District Attorney's Office and
- 2) Deputy Medical Examiner Dr. Steven Campman with the County of San Diego Medical Examiner's office.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the March 19, 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

III. COUNTY REPORT (Kristi Koenig, MD)

A. Surveillance

1) Flu season winding down

- As of April 10th, 8,764 cases, 59 deaths, 26 outbreaks; last season at this time 20,362 cases, 333 deaths
- Shifted from H1N1 to H3N2 predominantly; some Flu B as expected later in season
- Benefits of flu vaccine: Nationwide the CDC estimates by vaccinating in the 2017/2018 season there were 7 million illnesses, 109,000 hospitalizations and 8,000 deaths prevented
- The NIH announced trial of vaccine for ALL flu strains, which could induce longer lasting immunity
- Dr. Wooten, Public Health Officer extended the Flu Order to April 30th due to ongoing activity in the community (may be extended again; we will let you know if that happens)

2) Ebola outbreak – in DRC declared August 1, 2018

- The WHO Director General convened a special meeting of the Emergency Committee on April 12th because of the concern of increased activity in the region. Committee did not recommend declaring a Public Health Emergency of International Concern. Ebola still considered low risk for global transmission.
- CDPH Site Visit to Rady Children's on March 19th
- Cedars Sinai in LA remains closest adult center

3) Measles outbreak – more likely to see in CoSD than Ebola – large measles outbreak in Philippines

- Per CDC, from January 1 to April 11, 2019, 555 cases of measles have been confirmed in 20 states, including California and as close as LA County. No cases in San Diego County yet
- Highly contagious in susceptible populations, about 90% of people will get it; airborne transmission
- Unvaccinated people under age 18 are banned from public places in Rockland County, New York following an emergency declaration, overturned
- [Measles 3I Tool](#)

B. Policies and Protocols

1) Ketamine

- Remain on track for ketamine for analgesia starting July 1; administer SLOWLY
- Ketamine concentration will be 50 mg/ml to accommodate for both IV and IN dosing
- Ketamine is in shortage

C. Initiatives

1) Migrant Caravan Activities

- Protect the health of the public, including families seeking asylum, by conducting health screening assessments in the setting of the San Diego Rapid Response Network shelter(s), and referring for outside medical care as appropriate
- The County has exceeded 9,748 screenings as of the beginning of the week, only about 1% referred to ED, 911 very rarely accessed

2) Legislation and Regulations

- Alternate Destination Regulatory Reform – Paramedic Regulation open for public comment – no need for legislation if approved

- Stop the Bleed Bill AB1708 includes the use of chest seals for public use
- 3) [Strangulation Imaging Video by Gael Strack \(Training Institute on Strangulation Prevention\)](#)
- 4) Cardiac Arrest Task Force
 - [Non-traumatic cardiac arrest best practice model](#) has been finalized as an educational product and is being posted on the EMS home page
 - THANK YOU to the CATF team!!
- 5) Ketamine and pain management – discussion regarding efficacy and dosage

D. County Report continued (Susan Smith)

- 1) Patient Tracking system – is part of LEMSIS and is currently in the pilot phase. Four hospitals have volunteered to test the system for May 7th Disaster Drill, followed with further testing this summer. All hospitals will eventually be trained to enter and track patients. The County will be collaborating with Office of Emergency Services, Sheriff’s Department, Medical Examiner’s Office and 211 as part of the patient reconciliation process in the county
- 2) Side Walk CPR -the County is gathering numbers throughout the entire year, instead of focusing on only 1 day of the year
 - Dr. Donofrio shared with the group information about a national campaign via NAEMSP to raise awareness for hands-only CPR. The challenge is to make the most amusing educational hands-only short video in effort to make bystander CPR go viral on the internet.

IV. SAN DIEGO HEALTH CONNECT (Mark Branning)

Two positive updates:

- 1) POLST – attended a conference in San Francisco for the POLST pilot we have there. POLST forms are being placed in central locations. Four organizations represented. Suggested to create a statewide POLST registry. Working with San Mateo County and a group called SacValley Med Share. They would like to use our registry to enter their data. We need to get more POLST forms into the registry in San Diego. Currently about 200 per month from paramedics.
- 2) SAFR – money has been put in for every hospital except Paradise Valley and Alvarado.

V. SAN DIEGO HEALTHCARE DISASTER COUNCIL (Linda Rosenberg, RN)

- 1) Met and main focus is May 7th Disaster Drill.
- 2) Speaker Molly Finster from Argonne National Laboratory and DHS from Northern CA presented on a Long Term Resilience Program.
- 3) The next two meetings will discuss Cybersecurity and 1135 Waiver (permission by the State to put up surge tents).
- 4) Active Shooter 3-day event June 28-30.

VI. CARDIAC ARREST AND CARES (Brad Schwartz, MD)

- CARES data should be out in a month.
- It is encouraged to go over the data with your staff.
- The data are being tracked; nationally, everyone will eventually be on CARES. Will motivate to practice quality CPR.
- Recommended book from Institute of Medicine called “Strategies to Improve Cardiac Arrest Survival.”
- An analysis tool will be distributed to assess what you do, don’t do re: training CPR; how you manage cardiac arrest and how to improve.
- Concept of a viral video discussed

VII. OVERDOSE DEATH PROSECUTIONS Presentation (Terri Perez, Deputy District Attorney)

VIII. POLICIES & TREATMENT PROTOCOLS (Susan Smith, EMS Coordinator)

The following policies were discussed.

- **S-141: Pain Management**

- **S-476: Emergency Medical Services at Special Events**
- **S-413: Triage Multiple/Mass Casualty Incidents, Annex D**

IX. LUNCHTIME EVIDENCE BASED PRESENTATION (Steven Campman, MD)
["Handing-off a patient to the Medical Examiner: Details are important!"](#)

X. NEW BUSINESS/ ITEMS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

1) Rescheduling BSPC/PAC meetings for June and September 2019.

These meetings frequently conflict with EMDAC and EMSAAC meetings that our Medical Director and many of our EMS physicians and other BSPC members attend. In the process of identifying times and locations for rescheduling.

XI. NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 21, 2019.