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EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE (EMCC) MEETING

Jonathan Jordan, Chair/ Paul Forney, Vice Chair c/o SD County Emergency Medical Services Office County Operations Center 5560 Overland Avenue, Rm 171, San Diego, CA 92123

Minutes Thursday, July 24, 2025

Members Present

Bojanowski, R.N., Michael – American Red Cross
Covell, R.N., Brian – Base Hospital Nurse Coordinators'

Dunlap, PhD., Burnie – District 4
Forney, Paul – San Diego County Ambulance Association
Hudnet, Ron – Hospital Association of SD & Imperial Counties
Jordan, Jonathan – District 2
Maxwell, Paul – San Diego County Paramedic Association
Muns, Harry – SD County Fire Chiefs' Association
Phillips, MD, Julie – SD County Medical Society
Rauto-Shin, Roxanne – County Paramedic Agencies Committee

Borrelli, Rachael – E
Erickson, Kirk – Scri
Graham, Valery – C
Idman, Gervais – Di
Jackson, Ennis – AM
Jagielinski, Jakub –
McBurney, Ryan – C
Murphy, Mary – NCI
Scott, M.D., Christop

Riley, Tobin – SD County Fire Districts Association (Alt)

Walters, Sean - SD County Paramedic Association (Alt)

In Attendance

Borrelli, Rachael – DAS
Erickson, Kirk – Scripps Mercy
Graham, Valery – CSA 17
Idman, Gervais – Dianne – Sharp Grossmont
Jackson, Ennis – AMR/RCCP
Jagielinski, Jakub – County Fire
McBurney, Ryan – CVFD
Murphy, Mary – NCFPD
Scott, M.D., Christopher – Kaiser
Smith, Ray – CVFD
Sulivan, Don – AMR

Not in Attendance

District 1
District 3
District 5
Emergency Nurses Association
Law Enforcement Agencies
Military Agencies

County Staff

Brein, Suzee Christison, Brian del Toro, Nicole (recorder) Gonzalez, Evelin Haidari, Tareq Meick, Tyler Parr, Andy Trousdale, Brad Vithalani, M.D., Veer

I. CALL TO ORDER/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ INTRODUCTIONS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Jonathan Jordan, EMCC Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM. A quorum was declared.
- B. The group recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- C. EMS Coordinator Suzee Brein announced her new name change, from Kolodzik to Brein.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ PETITIONS

There were no public comments/petitions.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Burnie Dunlap, seconded by Dr. Julie Phillips, to approve the June 26, 2025 minutes. Motion carried with one abstained motion.

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Prehospital/Hospital Subcommittee - Brian Covell, RN

The group met and voted to endorse all policies to move forward to today's EMCC meeting.

B. Education and Research Subcommittee – Jonathan Jordan on behalf of Cheryl Graydon,

The group did not meet.

C. Disaster Planning Subcommittee - Ron Hudnet

• Provided an update on several planning processes.

V. COUNTY REPORT

A. EMS Medical Director Report

The following presentation <u>EMS Medical Director Report</u> was shared with the group by EMS Medical Director Kristi Koenig.

B. Administrative Report - Tyler Meick, EMS Coordinator

 Health Services Capacity Plan Level: Plan Level 5 – Baseline Surveillance (Level 1-5 – Five is Lowest)

Southern California Fire Preparedness <u>Level</u>: Plan Level 3 (Level 1-5 - Five is highest)

• Internal Disasters and Ambulance Traffic Reminder:

San Diego County hospitals may declare Internal Disaster status when a critical disruption occurs to provide medical services. These situations may include structural failures, infrastructure disruptions, or health and safety threats. When a hospital declares an Internal Disaster, all ambulance traffic must be rerouted to other destinations, including specialty care patients and those patients requesting a particular facility. Internal Disaster declarations are shared immediately with all hospitals, EMS communications centers, the County Ambulance Coordinator, County Public Health Preparedness and Response, and the California Department of Public Health. In addition, the County EMS Duty Officer will engage the affected hospital to expedite transfers or evacuation resources.

• State Regulations Update:

- EMSA completed their review of the public comments received from February through April 2025 for updates to Chapter 6, Specialty Programs, within Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations.
- Additional revisions have been made to the proposed regulation text and opened up a second public comment period from July 3 through August 17, 2025.
- We strongly encourage everyone to review the proposed revisions as the language will have impacts to our specialty care programs.

• 2025 - 2026 EMS Treatment Protocols:

The San Diego County EMS 2025-2026 treatment protocols went live on July 1. All the new protocols and policies are posted on our website as well as the EMS Mobile App.

As a reminder, you will need to completely close out the EMS Mobile application and restart it with an active internet or cellular connection in order to download the new updates.

Kaiser San Marcos Medical Center:

We are pleased to share the exciting news that Kaiser San Marcos Medical Center has been officially designated as a County of San Diego EMS stroke receiving center. This designation is effective on July 1, 2025.

We welcome Kaiser San Marcos Medical Center as our nineteenth designated stroke receiving center, further strengthening our specialty care system.

• No-Notice Ambulance Arrival Data Collection;

San Diego County EMS is gathering information on ambulance arrivals at emergency departments, with a specific focus on those with no-notice or late notification. These situations may reflect short ambulance transports, communication difficulties, or other operational causes. This data will inform the EMS System Redesign process.

ED personnel may complete this 30-second survey via phone or browser. ED staff may also download and print the QR code flyer.

EMS providers encountering Communication Failure should continue to use the P-405A Communication Failure Report.

County EMS appreciates these contributions, with more than 100 reports received so far.

• The San Diego County Trauma Dashboard published:

The San Diego County Trauma System Dashboard has been published on the County EMS website. This powerful interactive dashboard offers tools to evaluate trauma system data, including a user-friendly interface to empower stakeholder projects, academic research, and policy decisions. This dashboard may be found on the Trauma System page.

We thank all the trauma centers for their assistance validating this high-quality data set.

• County EMS Office Holiday Closure Advisories: Labor Day – September 1, 2025

C. EMS System Redesign - Veer Vithalani, MD

The following presentation was shared with the group: **EMS Delivery System Redesign**

VI. SYSTEM POLICY REVIEW (Endorsement Vote)

- A. S-070: Special Program Authorizations
- B. S-306: Emergency Medical Services Continuing Education
- C. S-620: LEMSA Data Use and Standards
- D. S-883: Emergency Medical Dispatch Enhanced Care Access
- E. S-883A: Emergency Medical Dispatch Enhanced Care Access Plan Template

ACTION: These policies will be tabled for the next EMCC meeting in September.

VII. REPORTS

A. San Diego County ePCR Data Submission Compliance Update – Brian Christison, Program Coordinator

The following presentation was shared with the group: CEMSIS ePCR Data Submission Update

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Ambulance Ordinance Update – Andy Parr, EMS Administrator

The Ambulance Ordinance update remains in internal processes. The estimated time to bring it forward is early next year.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. LEMSIS Re-Procurement Plan (Vote) - Andy Parr, EMS Administrator

A one-page summary was provided to the group: <u>ImageTrend Contract Extension & Competitive Solicitation Summary Sheet</u>

A motion was made by Burnie Dunlap, seconded by Julie Phillips to support and endorse the extension of the contract with ImageTrend. Motion carried.

X. NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next EMCC meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 25, 2025, 9:30 am at the County Operations Center, 5560 Overland Ave, Rm 171, San Diego 92123. The meeting adjourned at 10:18 am.