January 12, 2012

Clerk of the Board
Contra Costa County
651 Pine Street, 1st Floor
Martinez, CA 94553

To Whom It May Concern:

The Contra Costa County Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) Annual Report for 2010 is being submitted to the Board of Supervisors as required by Contra Costa Board of Supervisors Resolution no. 2002/377. The Emergency Medical Care Committee approved this report at its December 14, 2011 meeting.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please call me at (925) 313-9550.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Juliette Latteri
EMS Secretary
Staff to EMCC

Enc.
Contra Costa County
EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE
Annual Report for 2011

Advisory Body Name: Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC)
Advisory Body Meeting Time/Location: 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday of March, June, September, and December. Meetings are held at the Contra Costa County Schools Insurance Group Conference Room in Pleasant Hill.
Chair: Kacey Hansen, RN
Staff person: Juleine Latteri, Health Services EMS
Reporting Period: January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

I. Activities:
The EMCC, over the four (4) meetings in the past year, was involved in or kept its membership informed in the following:

- Board of Supervisor approval for EMS to reimburse the Martinez Police Department and the City of Concord for the purchase of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) to be placed in patrol cars.
- American Medica Response (AMR) placement of 75 AEDs throughout the county. Twenty-two of the AEDs were placed on the three campuses of the Contra Costa College District, and all six high schools in the Mt. Diablo School District received AEDs.
- Acknowledgement of John Muir Medical Center – Concord for receiving Magnet Recognition by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, which recognized its nursing service as one of the best in the nation.
- Health care reform and the challenges/opportunities it will present to the emergency medical services system.
- Implementation of a new computer aided dispatch (CAD) system by the California Highway Patrol for more accurate pin-pointing of 9-1-1 calls.
- Retirement of the following EMS agency staff: Art Lathrop, EMS Director; Barbara Center, Regional Disaster Medical/Health Specialist for the Northern California Coastal Region; and Dan Guerra, Contra Costa Health Services Disaster Preparedness Manager. Appointment of Pat Frost as EMS Director.
- Dr. William Walker, Health Services Director, gave up his role as Region II Regional Disaster Medical/Health Coordinator. The role was then turned over to Alameda County.
- Update on fiscal challenges facing fire districts and departments, including Board of Supervisor approval of a Board Order to maintain fire funding reimbursement levels for fiscal year 2010/11 and 2011/12 for districts experiencing brown outs, as long as they continue to provide paramedic service.
- Ongoing improvement of Contra Costa County’s (CCC) STEMI (high-risk heart attack) system, including implementation of 12-lead ECG transmissions from ambulance to hospital.
- Continued development and implementation of countywide Contra Costa Stroke System, to be launched January 2012.
- CCC Bariatric Task Team continues to look at options to provide bariatric patients with safe, dignified and comfortable transport.
- Completion of a head injury trauma study by John Muir Base Station and CCC EMS, in an effort to improve survival rates of head injury victims.
- Monitoring of financial sustainability of Doctors San Pablo (DSP) and completion of an EMS System Impact study on the potential closure of West County’s largest hospital and emergency department.
- Implementation of iPhone App developed by San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District. When calls to 9-1-1 report cardiac arrest, the app sends alerts to registered iPhone users trained in CPR who are in the immediate area. Rescuers will also be directed to nearest portable defibrillator. Goal is to help other area agencies implement the app.
- Designation of HeartSafe Community status to the following communities and cities: Alamo, Blackhawk, Danville, Diablo, El Cerrito and San Ramon.
- Disaster preparedness activities involving all area hospitals and EMS provider agencies, and continued funding (approximately $500,000 per year) of the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) disaster grant.
- Development by CC EMS, CC Children & Family Services, CC Health Services Maternal and Child Health Programs of countywide training curriculum for Safely Surrender Baby site personnel.
- Utilization of state CEMSIS grant to fund EMS QI training of 46 EMS personnel by internationally-recognized healthcare statistician Davis Balestracci. Training focused on how data can be used to
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support a patient-centered and efficient EMS system.

- Second annual CPR training of over 3,000 freshmen in the Mt. Diablo Unified School District by Darius Jones Foundation, with the support of the Diablo Health Care Foundation, and CCC EMS.
- EMS funding of EMS scholarship program offered by nationally-renowned Institute of Health Improvement for 50 applicants. This online program provides a certificate in patient safety, quality improvement and leadership.
- CCC and Alameda Counties co-hosted a Regional Pediatric Surge Conference in June 2011. Speakers included national and state experts.
- Reduction in California Department of Public Health funding for Hospital Preparedness Program by 18%.
- 25th Anniversary of the Contra Costa County Trauma System.
- MCI (Multi Casualty Incident) Task Force created.
- CHEMPACK Deployment Guide and Training
- Specialized manikins purchased and distributed to enhance EMS skills training.

II. Accomplishments
The EMCC:
- Approval of EMS 2010 Annual Report.
- Approval of EMS System Plan 2011 Objectives.
- Approval of 2010 Trauma System Plan Status Report.

III. Attendance/Representation
The EMCC is a multidisciplinary committee with membership consisting of representation of specific EMS stakeholder groups and organizations plus one consumer member and one alternate nominated by each Board of Supervisor member. There are 27 member seats on the EMCC. Three seats were vacant due to no nominee submitted by the Community Awareness and Emergency Response (CAER), District IV, and the resignation of District I member as of September 2011. The majority of EMCC representatives or alternates were regular participants. A quorum was achieved at each of the four EMCC meetings in the past year.

IV. Training/Certification
Each EMCC representative and alternate representative was given a copy of the Advisory Body Handbook and copies of the "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance - What you Need to Know as a Commission, Board or Committee Member" and "Ethics Orientation for County Officials" videotapes during their two-year term. Responsibilities of County Boards were discussed including the responsibility to view the videotapes and submit signed certifications. Certification forms have been received from 20 of 24 of the representatives and 13 of 19 alternates. The ten certificates received this year are attached.

V. Proposed Work Plan/Objectives for Next Year
Report to the local EMS Agency its observations and recommendations relative to its review of:
- Update of 2010 EMS System Plan, Trauma, Stroke, STEMI and EMS for Children Programs.
- Launch and full implementation of Contra Costa County Stroke System.
- Implementation of prehospital 12-lead EKG transmission program to STEMI Receiving Centers.
- Multicasualty and disaster preparedness training to enhance EMS System capabilities and community resiliency.
- Monitoring of EMS system impacts due to changing economics and health care reform.
- Continued monitoring of patient and provider safety initiatives e.g. behavioral health, pediatrics, bariatric, and scene safety.
- EMS System intrafacility trauma transfer performance improvement initiative.
- Trauma System oversight redesign.
- Improved prehospital and emergency department handoff coordination of patient care, e.g. trauma, cardiac arrest, STEMI, stroke and behavioral emergencies.
- Expanded community education and outreach, e.g. HeartSafe Communities, Child Injury Prevention, appropriate use of 9-11, emergency departments, cardiac arrest, signs and symptoms of heart attack and stroke, healthy lifestyle, CPR Anytime and Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) placement and training.
Training Certification
for
Member of County Advisory Body

By signing below, I certify that on 11/19/2011, I watched the entire training tape: “The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member.”

By signing below, I certify that on 11/19/2011, I watched the entire training tape: “Ethics Orientation for County Officials.”

(Name of Member of Advisory Body)  
Noel Luis

(Date)  
11/19/2011

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Training Certification
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By signing below, I certify that on 1/5/2011, I watched the entire training tape: "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member."

By signing below, I certify that on 11/06/11, I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

[Signature]
Neil Altimari

Emergency Medical Care Committee
(Name of Member of Advisory Body)

11/22/2011
(Date)

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By signing below, I certify that on 12/28/2010, I watched the entire training tape: “The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member.”

By signing below, I certify that on 12/29/2010, I watched the entire training tape: “Ethics Orientation for County Officials.”

Andrew J. Swartzell, RN
(Name of Member of Advisory Body)
County Fire Chiefs Representative

12/29/2010
(Date)

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By signing below, I certify that on __1-6-11__, I watched the entire training tape: "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member."

By signing below, I certify that on __1-23-11__, I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

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Kristin Santos
(Name of Member of Advisory Body)

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1-24-11
(Date)

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By signing below, I certify that on \( \text{12/28/23} \), I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

\[ \text{Name of Member of Advisory Body} \]
\[ \text{Date} \]

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By signing below, I certify that on ___ Dec. ___ , I watched the entire training tape: “The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member.”

By signing below, I certify that on ___ Dec. ___ , I watched the entire training tape: “Ethics Orientation for County Officials.”

(Name of Member of Advisory Body)  

(Date)

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Training Certification
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By signing below, I certify that on **10/25/11**, I watched the entire training tape: "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member."

By signing below, I certify that on **10/25/11**, I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

[Signature]

(Name of Member of Advisory Body)

**10/25/11**

(Date)

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Training Certification for Member of County Advisory Body

By signing below, I certify that on 3/7/11, I watched the entire training tape: "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member."

By signing below, I certify that on 3/7/11, I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

Gale Bowen (Name of Member of Advisory Body) 3/7/11 (Date)

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Training Certification
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Member of County Advisory Body

By signing below, I certify that on 12-29-2010, I watched the entire training tape: "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member."

By signing below, I certify that on 12-30-2010, I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

Dewayne E. Lewis
(Name of Member of Advisory Body)

12-30-2010
(Date)

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Training Certification
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By signing below, I certify that on **OCT. 28, 2011**, I watched the entire training tape: "The Brown Act and Better Government Ordinance—What You Need to Know as a Commission, Board, or Committee Member."

By signing below, I certify that on **OCT. 31, 2011**, I watched the entire training tape: "Ethics Orientation for County Officials."

**Sharon Brockett**
(Name of Member of Advisory Body)

**OCT 31, 2011**
(Date)

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