



EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

December 7, 2016

<p><u>Members Present Representing</u></p>	<p><u>STAFF PRESENT</u></p>
<p>Chair: Kacey Hansen <i>Trauma Center (CC Contract)</i> Vice Chair: Gary Napper <i>Public Managers' Association</i></p>	<p>Leticia Andreas <i>Contra Costa County EMS</i> Michelle Voos <i>Contra Costa County EMS</i></p>
<p>Terence Carey <i>Ambulance Providers (CC Contract)</i> Pat Frost <i>EMS Agency Director</i> David Goldstein <i>EMS Agency Medical Director</i> Jon King <i>Police Chiefs' Association</i> Denise Pangelinan <i>Communications Center Managers' Assoc.</i> Florence Raskin <i>Hospital Council East Bay</i> Anthony Rodigin <i>Emergency Dept. Physicians (CC Receiving Hospital)</i> Kelley Stieler <i>District I</i> Allan Tobias <i>District IV</i> Jason Vorhauer <i>Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff</i> Ross Wilson <i>Private Provider Field Paramedic</i></p>	<p><u>Others Present</u></p> <p>Zack Adinoff <i>Contra Costa Office of Emergency Services</i> David Cronin <i>IndeeLift</i> Nick Draper <i>Alameda Contra Costa Medical Association</i> Joe Greaves <i>Alameda Contra Costa Medical Association</i> Harris Hennig <i>NorCal Ambulance</i> Brian Hubbell <i>Falck Ambulance</i> John LaBare <i>Falck Ambulance</i> Jennifer LaRault <i>Falck Ambulance</i> Landee Linn <i>American Medical Response - Sutter Health</i> Paige Meyer <i>San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District</i> Chad Newland <i>American Medical Response</i> Jill Ray <i>District II</i> Josh Sheridan <i>Sutter Delta</i> Elisa Washington <i>Hospital Council</i></p>
<p><u>Members Absent Representing</u></p>	
<p>Executive Committee: Ross Fay <i>Air Medical Transportation Provider</i> Ellen Leng <i>Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association</i></p>	
<p>Cynthia Belon <i>Contra Costa Behavioral Health</i> Derek Krause <i>Contra Costa Fire Chiefs' Association</i> Jon Michaelson <i>Public Provider Field Paramedic</i> Elaina Petrucci <i>Gunn American Heart Association</i> David Samuelson <i>Emergency Nurses Assoc. East Bay</i> John Speakman <i>District II</i> Jason Wallace <i>American Red Cross</i></p>	

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

1.	<i>Introduction of Members and Guests</i>
2.	<p><i>Approval of Minutes from June 15, and Informal Notes from September</i> Chair Hansen motioned to approve the Minutes from June 15, and Informal Session Notes from September 14. Member Tobias moved to approve both; Vice Chair Napper seconded; none opposed. Motion passed. June Minutes and September Notes are approved.</p>
3.	<p><i>Comments from the Public</i> Guest David Cronin, SNF administrator since 1973, introduced his company IndeeLift lift, which developed a line of human floor lifts to help with preventing/assisting in falls in the form of a provider model and a home/business model. IndeeLift is starting to work with the EMS Agency in Oakland. AMR (American Medical Response) and Paramedics Plus are involved in Alameda County at this point. The program in Alameda County is called "Steady" when someone falls.</p>
4.	<p><i>Chair's Report - Kacey Hansen, EMCC Chair</i> 5150 Summit Update: Planning is in progress and invitations have been sent. EMCC members are asked to submit questions they would like to be addressed during the summit to Chair Hansen. The date for the summit is February 22, 2017. Location is the Ball Auditorium at John Muir Walnut Creek. From the hospital perspective getting 5150 data is difficult. For further information contact EMS Director Pat Frost.</p>
5.	<p><i>Fire Chiefs' Report</i> Paige Meyer from San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District announced that Chief Lance Maples is stepping down. Fire Chiefs plan to provide updates on new initiatives and programs to the EMCC in 2017.</p>
6.	<p><i>Members' Reports</i> - Chair Hansen read updated legislative information from Member Samuelson in his absence: 1) The US House of Representatives passed both Comprehensive Mental Health Reform (HR 2646) AND Protecting Patient</p>

	<p>Access to Emergency Medications Act (HR 4365); both of which have been sent to the US Senate for consideration. ENA's H.R. 2646, the Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act, by Reps. Tim Murphy (R-PA) and Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX). It eliminates the prohibition on same day billing for mental health and primary care services, provides resources for suicide prevention programs and expands crisis intervention training for first responders. Importantly, the legislation also contains \$1 billion in grants to states for opioid abuse prevention and treatment initiatives.</p> <p>2) H.R. 4365 updates the Controlled Substances Act to ensure that emergency services (EMS) practitioners can continue to administer controlled substances to treat patients. Absent congressional action, the well-established practice of using standing orders by EMS agencies, will be disrupted and as a result, patients may lose access to life-saving medications in emergency situations. Standing orders are pre-set protocols which EMS practitioners follow in the delivery of emergency care. The bill now goes to the Senate for its consideration.</p>
7.	<p><i>Staff Report</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff Andreas presented the EMCC new membership update: 20 seats out of 24 have been filled. CHP (California Highway Patrol) declined to nominate due to staff shortage. The EMS Training Institutions contacts have not yet replied. District III and V have not nominated, but are aware. The 2016-2018 membership was read to all attendees, and new members welcomed. - EMCC Annual Report update: Member Frost requested approval of the current draft. Member Tobias moved for report to be accepted; seconded by Member Wilson. None opposed. Motion passed, annual EMCC draft report approved and will be submitted to the BOS in January as a consent item. - Member Frost mentioned as another action item introducing the 2016 EMS System Plan Objectives, which address ongoing actions by EMS to improve the system. This document is part of an annual report that is submitted to California EMS Authority. Item to be voted on at the next EMCC meeting as an individual action item. Staff Andreas will send this document electronically to all members.
8.	<p><i>EMCC and EMS Agency Special Recognitions - Pat Frost, Contra Costa EMS Director</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member Frost invited Emergency Department Medical Director Josh Sheridan MD and Chief Nursing Officer James Reedy as representatives from Sutter Delta Medical Center to step forward, and presented them with an award for having greatly improved hospital offload times. - EMS Staff Michelle Voos presented the video from the First Annual Contra Costa County Survivors Reunion, which shows the continuum of care from bystander to hospital staff. Chair Hansen as representative for John Muir Walnut Creek was presented with a plaque for the rescue of a drowning boy. Guest Voos showed the plaque the survivors will receive in which a photo will be inserted, and she read a letter from the opening of a 9-1-1 call from a survivor. -EMS Staff Andres has resigned from her EMS position has accepted a new position with Contra Costa Fire EMS effective December 16th. EMS Staff was thanked by EMCC Chair Hansen and members for her service supporting the EMCC.
9.	<p><i>Partnering with the Red Cross</i></p> <p>The Red Cross representatives had to cancel their presentation due to being in the field for the Oakland Ghost Ship Fire.</p>
10.	<p><i>5150 Summit Update - Derek Krause, Deputy Chief, EMS/Logistics, San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District</i></p> <p>In Member Krause's absence, Chair Hansen gave a brief update in her Chair's Report. Please see Item 4.</p>
11.	<p><i>EMS Medical Director's Report - David Goldstein, MD, Contra Costa EMS Agency Medical Director</i></p> <p>In January 2017 new treatment guidelines will be rolled out for first responders and transport agencies. Modest changes have been made to content with majority of changes associated with changes in formatting in form of algorithms.</p>
12.	<p><i>EMS Director's Report - Pat Frost, Contra Costa EMS Agency Director</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The EMS Agency relies 100% on grant funding for hospital preparedness program activities. Funding is unclear in future, as it has been reduced every year. Major changes are anticipated to impact the program based on Assistant Secretary for Emergency Preparedness 2017-2022 capabilities. - New Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) emergency preparedness rule went into effect November 2016 with requirements for most CMS providers to participate in operational area disaster activities. New rules have less impact on hospitals but more on other health care providers. EMS is working with Dan Peddycord, Director of Public Health to determine impact on current medical health emergency preparedness activities supported by county health services. - The National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) report on Behavioral Health of EMS providers and the need to support to all emergency responders. - The public health director Dan Peddycord presented a new ordinance to the Board of Supervisors regarding taking back of prescription drugs, incl. over the counter drugs. Member Napper raised the question about where citizens can go if they want to turn in their prescription drugs. Member King mentioned that most police departments have drop offs. Information from partners is needed to post on their websites. EMS Staff will compile information to share with EMCC members. - The Ambulance Ordinance is still with county counsel EMS Agency hopes to have it go to the BOS for public comment sometime in 2017. Regular updates on status of ambulance ordinance requested as standing agenda item - Guest Jim Greaves, ACCMA (Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association), provided a brief update about the POLST project: Guest Greaves will replace Donald Waters as the new director of ACCMA. The East Bay Conversation Project is attempting to engage the community in how they want to be cared for, and POLST forms are distributed widely. San Diego and Contra Costa

	counties are the participants in the pilot POLST Registry program. The pilot is in its early stages; large health care systems in Contra Costa County are involved. Once the POLST forms are in the system, the field providers will get involved. Guest Greaves also introduced his successor Nick Draper.
13.	<i>Proposed agenda items for March 8, 2017: Action on Systems of Care; Ambulance Ordinance update, Report on 5150 Summit,</i>
14.	<i>Adjournment at 5:17pm</i>