EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Informal Discussion Session
September 12, 2018

Members Present Representing
Chair: Kacey Hansen Trauma Center (CC Contract)
Vice Chair: Gary Napper Public Managers’ Association
David Goldstein EMS Agency Medical Director
Denise Pangelinan Communications Center Managers’ Assoc.
David Samuelson Emergency Nurses Assoc. East Bay
Jason Vorhauer Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff

Members Absent Representing
Executive Committee:
Jon King Police Chiefs’ Association
Ellen Leng Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association

Terence Carey Ambulance Providers (CC Contract)
Pat Frost EMS Agency Director
Ara Gregorian California Highway Patrol
Elaina Petrucci Gunn American Heart Association
Anthony Rodigin Emergency Dept. Physicians (CC Receiving Hospital)
John Speakman District II
Kelley Stieler District I
Allan Tobias District IV

STAFF PRESENT
Jesse Allured Contra Costa County EMS
Chad Henry Contra Costa County EMS
Geoff Martin Contra Costa County EMS
Rachel Morris Contra Costa County EMS

OTHERS PRESENT
Joanny All American Medical Response
Joe Greaves ACCMA
David Lopez ACCMA
Chad Newland American Medical Response
Rebecca Rozen Hospital Council of Northern and Central California
Rick Stephenson Contra Costa County Fire Protection District

1. **Introduction of Members and Guests**

2. **Approval of Minutes from June 13**
   A quorum was not achieved; minutes could not be approved at this meeting.

3. **Chair’s Report - Kacey Hansen, EMCC Chair**
   No Report

4. **Comments from the Public**
   No Comments

5. **Members’ Reports**
   No Reports

6. **CPR-HD Presentation**
   Presentation from Contra Costa EMS and AMR staff on CPR-HD (Highly Defined) pilot. Pilot initiated to address patient and provider safety issues, initiated CPR-HD pilot to standardize approach of looking at Cardiac Arrest management. This is a system wide approach to improve management of Cardiac Arrest. Presentation covered aim, primary and secondary components, and identified improvements of the pilot. Training consisted of select AMR crews, some CCCFPD crews, and all ECCFPD crews. The process involves use of a script with a stop watch to keep time. CPR-HD can work with as little as two people, including both ALS and BLS personnel. The pilot concluded at the end of July 2018. Effective Jan 1 2019, all providers will be using the CPR-HD method.

7. **Housing and Homeless Services Overview Presentation**
   Jaime Jennet from the Health, Housing and Homeless Services Division gave overview of statistics and services for homeless community in Contra Costa County. Presented the question of how many people encounter homeless people at their jobs and how many people know how to handle them. Currently not enough shelter for those in need, so figuring out a method for who gets in those shelters is key. There is an increase in the senior population. 2017 HMIS Data - 6015 homeless, 1057 at risk, 1022 formerly homeless. Homeless outreach CORE teams - EMS personnel can call CORE team to help provide resources is person doesn't have a medical emergency. HUD created coordinated entry to streamline services offered for the homeless population; it is a way to triage people to connect them with the appropriate resources. Points of entry: call 211 to help narrow down how best to move forward.
8. **Health Information Exchange (HIE) Update**

Update on the Bidirectional Health Information Exchange, a process of taking info from disparate health records systems so we can connect them back and forth. Transitioning from paper records to electronic records saves crews time and removes roadblocks. HIE allows for immediate information about a patient. How’d We Get Here: AB 1129 mandated (unfounded) that records be electronic by 2016 - CCC brought last provider online two weeks ago so we are now fully in compliance. Next steps - evaluating CMS grant funding opportunity through EMSA - we need to evaluate to see if this funding method is the right fit for us. Chad to send Kacey Hansen criteria for grant from EMSA - stricter than what CMS previously stated. Pilot project would be with the County Hospital.

9. **EMCC Legislative Update**

Update on AB 3115 - Community Paramedicine - ENA wanted to be at the table - never came out in support, nor opposition, just wanted to be at the table. AB 3115 proposed to put alternate destination - extend to 2025. EMSAAC, EMDAAC, ENA rallied and now share the seat -trying to get the governor to veto.

10. **Quarterly Update on Alliance Ambulance Services – Chief Stephenson, CCCFPD for Chief Carey, CCCFPD**

- Amazed what Alliance has done over 2.5 years - well over 95-97% compliance rate in response times.
- APOT times: in process of setting up meeting with LEMSA to go over proposal. AMR/CCCFPD staff working with ED staff to recognize challenges and find ways to overcome.
- Card 33: getting the right piece of equipment and right personnel to a call - data shows working well so far.
- AMR and CCCFPD sent task forces to the Carolinas for Hurricane response.

11. **EMS Director’s Report – David Goldstein, Contra Costa EMS Medical Director for Pat Frost, EMS Director**

- San Ramon RFP: the Board of Supervisors (BOS) approved a one-year contract extension to allow further exploration of 224 rights and San Ramon has signed the extension. EMS Agency will bring issue back to BOS for further direction, by January 2019.
- Ambulance Ordinance: EMS hopes to schedule a special meeting with the EMCC sometime between October and December. The final draft is with County Counsel.

12. **EMS Medical Director's Report – David Goldstein, Contra Costa EMS Medical Director**

AB 3115 – Community Paramedicine – this bill is sitting on the Governor’s desk and potentially will become law. Addresses 1. Destination 2. Treat and Release. Mandates training for paramedics that don’t exist now, so the regs would need to be written by EMSA. Could create a potential problem with sobering center.

13. **Proposed agenda items for December 12, 2018 meeting: Approval of June draft minutes**

- The December EMCC meeting will take place at the new EMS office: 777 Arnold Drive, Suite 110, Martinez.
- EMS hopes to schedule a special EMCC meeting between Oct-December to share the draft in preparation for the formal ordinance hearing at the BOS in early 2019.

14. **Adjournment at 5:30pm**