MEMBER MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Informal Discussion Session
December 12, 2018

Members Present Representing

Vice Chair: Gary Napper Public Managers’ Association
Executive Committee:
Jon King Police Chiefs’ Association
Ellen Leng Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association
Michele Bell Air Medical Transportation Provider
Terence Carey Contra Costa Fire Chiefs’ Association
John Duggan Ambulance Providers (CC Contract)
Mark Forrette District II
Pat Frost EMS Agency Director
David Goldstein EMS Agency Medical Director
Elaina Petrucci Gunn American Heart Association
Cameron Metzger EMS Training Institution
Jason Vorhauer Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff

Members Absent Representing
Chair: Kacey Hansen Trauma Center (CC Contract)
Jack Clapp Public Provider Field Paramedic
Ara Gregorian California Highway Patrol
James Lambert Hospital Council – East Bay
David Lilienstein Emergency Dept. Physicians (CC Receiving Hospital)
Jennifer Lucas American Heart Association
Denise Pangelinan Communications Center Managers’ Assoc.
David Samuelson Emergency Nurses Assoc. East Bay
Karin Schnaider District III
Kelley Stieler District I
Allan Tobias District IV

STAFF PRESENT
Rachel Morris Contra Costa County EMS
Lisa Vajgert-Smith Contra Costa County EMS

OTHERS PRESENT
Joanny All American Medical Response
Scott Newlin Jr American Medical Response
Rebecca Rozen Hospital Council of Northern and Central California

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. Comments from the Public
   No Comments
4. Chair’s Report - Kacey Hansen, EMCC Chair
   No Report
5. Members’ Reports
   No Reports
6. Health Care Coalition Biannual Report to EMCC
   EMS staff Lisa Vajgert-Smith from Contra Costa EMS provided the first biannual report of Contra Costa Med-Health Preparedness Coalition (HPP Emergency Preparedness) activities since the EMCC accepted responsibility to serve as the overarching governance body for the Coalition and be advised of Medical/Health Coalition Emergency Preparedness system gaps in case of disaster as they are identified. The report highlighted a summary - activities over the past year... Lisa went over this year’s main goals for Coalition, including dialysis center engagement. The report included an example of a Hospital ReddiNet user system report which provides monthly feedback. ... Lisa gave an overview of the Contra Costa Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), which is a group of dedicated medical volunteers; the MRC went to the Mendocino Complex Fires and a Camp Fire in Butte County – A hand out is provided in meeting packet with more information. Lisa is working with Public Health to add partners to strengthen the Coalition.
7. **Presentation: Sandy Hook Promise**  
Ilana Israel Samuels, California Region Manager for Sandy Hook Promise (SHP) gave an overview of the program. The program’s impact in Contra Costa County is possible through the Contra Costa County Office of Education. The mission of SHP is to prevent gun violence and other forms of violence before they happen. There are four (4) Know The Signs programs: Say Something, Start With Hello, Safety Assessment & Intervention, and SOS Signs of Suicide. A description of each program was given and handouts were provided to the group.

8. **EMCC Legislative Update**  
No Update

9. **Quarterly Update on Alliance Ambulance Services – Chief Carey, CCCFPD**  
- Reported Fire personnel changes and updates: Fire Chief Lance Maples retiring from El Cerrito Fire Department as of December 31, 2018; Chief Pigoni to take his place. Fire Chief Jeff Carman retiring from Contra Costa County Fire Protection District at the end of March 2019. Fire Chief Paige Meyer will continue as Fire Executive Chiefs Chair.  
- More ambulance units will be considered as demand of flu season dictates - looking at spikes in calls. Working with AMR to manage.  
- Reported six months ago on a trial study looking at Bravo calls - looked to see if the proper resources were being allocated correctly to calls; good findings came from study.  
- Outliers - working with LEMSA staff on reducing outliers.  
- APOT / wall times - working with Rebecca Rozen, of the Hospital Council. There is a meeting next week with the LEMSA to share ideas.

10. **Staff Report: New EMCC Membership Term; EMCC Annual (Draft) Report Action: Review/Approve for Submission to the Board of Supervisors**  
- Staff Morris reported on the new membership for the 2018-2020 term. Twenty-one (21) out of twenty-four (24) seats have been filled. Vacant seats are the Contra Costa Health Services Behavioral Health (B13), Private Provider Field Paramedic (C4), and District 5 seat. Staff will continue to work on those appointments.  
- The 2018 EMCC Annual (draft) Report could not be approved for submission to the Board of Supervisors as a quorum was not achieved. Staff Morris will find out and report how to proceed. EMS staff subsequently advised that report must be submitted when properly approved by the EMCC. Approval will be scheduled at the next EMCC meeting.

11. **EMS Medical Director’s Report – David Goldstein, Contra Costa EMS Medical Director**  
In process of adding pain control medications to optional scope. In 2020 treatment protocols, expect to add medications in, some for adult and some for pediatric - will consult fire agency medical directors. Ketamine should be a net positive to the system but will require a good amount of training.

12. **Health Information Exchange (HIE) Update – Pat Frost, Contra Costa EMS Director**  
Member Frost gave an update on EMS system efforts regarding HIE (update handout in packet). A plan was developed four to five years ago; does not require any providers to buy into a new system. Because EPIC is used in almost all hospitals, the goal is to find opportunities to connect with interfaces on the backend.

13. **EMS Director’s Report – Pat Frost, Contra Costa EMS Director**  
- Spent last twelve (12) months attending the finance committee to request additional funding for EMS system – This provided an opportunity to provide extensive information sharing on the EMS Agency regulatory mandates and services. At finance committee has recommended that EMS Agency receive $ 550,000 of additional funding to support current operations. Member Frost will be going to the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday December 18 for final approval. EMS Agency and EMS system future funding is limited - as part of this effort, also in packet is a proposal - there is some exploration of future ballot measure. LEMSA has maximized what we can do with increased fees.  
- Ambulance ordinance: LEMSA received draft copy from County Counsel. LEMSA staff is reviewing draft language. A special meeting can be called with the EMCC executive committee and membership once the review is complete and an executive summary drafted. Timeline for next steps is early 2019.  
- Finished ePolst pilot report.  
- No new information on closure of Alta Bates Hospital.  
- Hopes for sobering center did not come to fruition – no agreed upon location could found.

14. **Proposed agenda items for March 13, 2019 meeting:** Approval of June draft minutes

15. **Meeting closed at 5:45pm**