



EL DORADO COUNTY
Chief Administrative Office
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

MINUTES

Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) Meeting

Date: April 14, 2021

Time: 1:00 to 3:00

Location: HHSa Sierra Conference Room (Zoom Meeting)

I. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Attendees:

Kimberly Freeman, EMS Agency
Anthony Bechler, Georgetown Fire
Guy Valente, EMS Agency
Ryan Wagner, CTJPA
Eileen Flatgard, EMS Agency
Fallon Kirby, CTJPA
Michelle Williams, Marshall ER
Cristy Jorgensen, WS JPA

John Crystalina, Alpha One
Nick Thomas, EDC Fire
Debbie Madding, SRMC
Chelsea Mills, Life Assist
Christopher Garrigues, GV Fire
David Buettner, UCD
Chris Anton, LV Fire

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A.** The minutes of the January 13, 2021 MAC meeting were approved and will be posted to the EMS Agency website.

III. CHAIRMAN REPORT: (Kimberly Freeman, M.D.)

- Zoom Meetings: For the foreseeable future, MAC and CQI meetings will be conducted via Zoom as we continue to maneuver through Covid -19.
- Dr. Freeman: We welcome Dr. Freeman to our EMS agency as our interim medical director. Dr. Freeman has been very busy becoming familiar with our policies, procedures, and protocols and she is very happy to assist us until a future replacement for Dr. Brazzel is found. Welcome Dr. Freeman!!

IV. BASE STATION HOSPITAL REPORTS:

A. BARTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (BMH): (Corey Mcleod.)

- No Report Provided, No Representative Available

B. MARSHALL MEDICAL CENTER (MMC): (Michele Williams)

- Covid Update: Marshall has been extremely busy with the increase of Covid patients coming into the ER. Please remember to mask your patients as they come in.
- ACS Verification: Marshall will have their ACS verification done in August and Michele is currently working on getting that organized.

V. EMS AGENCY REPORT: (Guy Valente, Dr. Freeman)

- EMS Staff: A recruitment has been published to replace our CQI rep with an EMS Specialist position. Additional information on a potential candidate will be provided at the next MAC meeting.
- Stemi Plan: The EMSA approved our Stemi plan with minor changes related to interpretation of 12 leads.
- Documentation Policy: The updated documentation policy has been sent to Dustin Hall for review and input. Once returned, there will be several changes implemented. Updates will be provided.
- HIPAA: Guy has been certified as the EMS agency HIPAA compliance officer and will take the lead in updating and implementing the current HIPAA privacy notifications. He is currently reviewing the privacy practices and business associates agreements since the last updates took place in 2012 and are outdated. Once a recommendation is returned from County Counsel, the notification will be updated.

VI. AMBULANCE BILLING: (Eileen Flatgard)

- Paperwork: As a reminder, all PCS forms and face sheets MUST be turned in to the EMS agency office. There are no exceptions to this requirement. Going forward, all requests for paperwork will be sent to the JPA's to obtain.

VII. JPA REPORTS:

A. WEST SLOPE JPA: (Cristy Jorgensen)

- Busy: Cristy reports that she and Brian have been extremely busy addressing many tasks in the JPA office. They are also working on resolving multiple projects as quickly as possible.

B. CAL TAHOE JPA: (Ryan Wagoner)

- Off Season: Tahoe is moving into the "off" season in-between ski season/summer activities. Things will begin to ramp up again in the near future.
- CQI Plan: Fallon is currently working on the CQI plan for the JPA.

- System Status Management: The system status management plan is currently in review.
- Increased Call Volume: Medics have been super busy due to the Covid crisis and ongoing challenges with the ski resorts.
- EIDS: EIDS protocols may need updating. Additional information about this will be brought to a future MAC meeting.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. CQI COMMITTEE: (Guy Valente)

- Tags: A discussion regarding “lost” tags took place and Mark Roberts was available to assist in recovery. Mark was also available this morning to discuss ImageTrend and ongoing training.
- Face Sheets: There has been difficulty in obtaining hospital face sheets from facilities outside EDC, especially when a patient is delivered by air EMS. Debbie Maddin will try to assist crews via Christy for patients sent to Sutter and will work on a solution for UCD.
- Hospice Policy: The hospice transfer policy will be reviewed and updated as needed.
- Protocols: Reviewed protocols and procedures for hemorrhage control and pain management. Adjustments were made and will recommend an additional meeting prior to the implementation effective 7/1/21.
- Stemi Receiving Centers: Guy will work on involving STEMI receiving centers into the CQI process.

B. PAC Committee: (Guy Valente)

- PAC on Hiatus: PAC is currently on hiatus. This committee agreed that PAC should become a sub-committee of CQI.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

- Covid 19. Continue to monitor in the field and use PPE.
- Protocol Review: The pain management and hemorrhage protocol control will be reviewed before the 7/1/2021 implementation.

X. NEW BUSINESS: (Dr. Freeman)

- MICN Ride-Along: We are currently still suspending the MICN ride-along requirement until EDC is moved into the yellow tier, or the pandemic is deemed over.

XI. SERVICE AGENCY REPORTS:

- A. EDC TRAINING OFFICERS:** Met yesterday and there will be a fireline medic class held on 5/18 and 5/19 at the EDH fire station. Class is limited to 20 individuals at a cost of \$145.00. Preference will be given to CSA 7 medics and there are no CE's available for this course. Contact Cristy if you wish to register at 530-642-0622.
- B. CALSTAR/REACH:** (Bryan Pond): Not present, no report provided.
- C. CALFIRE:** Not present, no report provided.
- D. CARE FLIGHT:** Not present, no report provided.
- E. AMR:** Not present, no report provided.
- F. SUTTER ROSEVILLE MC:** (Debbie Madding): Debbie stated that Sutter recently had a survey done with positive outcomes for their stroke center. She also discussed ways for medics to obtain missing face sheets for transfers in. Debbie and Cristy will help medics facilitate that, especially for flight patients.
- G. U.C. DAVIS MC:** (David Buettner): UCD is also preparing for their ACS survey this year. The joint commission survey done on STEMI patients/chest pain patients showed a 60% cancel rate for the cath lab due to interpretation of device readings. UCD is also tracking the devices now too for statistical data. David also said that UCD is adding a 16 story tower which will provide an additional 140 beds and construction is expected to take about 8 years to complete.
- H. STATE PARKS:** (Suzanne Matin): Not present, no report provided.
- I. Mercy Folsom:** Not Present, No report provided.
- J. Life Assist:** (Chelsea Mills): Nothing to Report.
- K. Alpha One** (John Crystalina): John stated the Covid cases have declined and he also reports Alpha One continues to provide out of County transports on a regular basis from Marshall and Barton.
- L. Bay Medic:** Not present, no report provided
- M. Medic Ambulance:** Not present, no report provided
- N. Zoll Updates:** (Kim Tanner): Not Present, No report provided.
- O. North Tahoe Fire:** (Steve Pevenage): No Present, No report provided.

XII. NEXT MEETING: October 13, 2021 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. HHSA, 3057 Briw Road, Sierra Conference Room or Via Zoom depending on Covid Status. For directions to the HHSA Conference room, [click here!](#)