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MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE

January 22, 2020, 11:00 am
St. Helena Fire Department

PRESENT: Lois Husted Chairperson, Scott Rose 1st Vice Chairperson, Dr. Victor Aaen 2nd Vice Chairperson, Dr. Andrew Nothmann, Charles Burton, Chris Carlisle, Chris Gilbert, Cody Parks, Dean Anderson, Gus Ulloth, Jason Bond, Matt Ryan, Ricci Hayes, Richard Jones, Wendy Hardcastle

GUESTS: Brian Henricksen, Bruce Lee, Dr. Deron Warren, Glen Weeks, Jas Singh, John Eaglesham, Dr. Karen Relucio, Melinda Trost, Naila Francies, Nancy Lapolla, Richard Long, Shaun Vincent, Dr. Zita Konik

I. **Introductions**

Lois Husted called for the introductions of the members and guests.

II. **Approval of Minutes**

Matt Ryan moved to approve the minutes from May 15, 2019 and Scott Rose seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. **Public Comment**

None

IV. **Committee Reports**

A. Operational Area / Disaster Committee

Lois Husted provided an update on the behalf of operational area / disaster committee. At the last meeting, which was held on December 5, 2019, the topics of discussion were winter weather outlook/forecast, cert update, CVNL/EVC update, training and operational area plan update.

B. Public Education & Information (PIE)

The PIE committee convened before the EMCC meeting and Naila Francies provided a brief status update. In year 2019, there have been 42 events, which were held throughout Napa County to teach Hands-Only CPR to the community and 3,818 people were trained during these events. There were 8 new AED's have been placed in Napa County, she also shared some of the locations on where the AED's were placed. February is American Heart month and Queen of the Valley will be hosting a valentine's day CPR event.

C. Medical Advisory Committee (MAC)

Dr. Konik reported that the last MAC meeting was held in on July 15, 2019. The topics of

discussion were half dosing, nitro for suspected ACS, continuous compressions / NRB mask, racemic EPI, EMS for children and push dose EPI. The data was reviewed for dopamine vs epinephrine and a decision was made to make certain changes in the current policies and the push dose epinephrine was implemented. The next meeting is scheduled in March.

D. County CQI pending confirmation

Naila Francies provided an update on the behalf of the County CQI committee. The presentation included data on pediatric medication administration, stroke, bystander CPR from 2013 - 2019, cardiac arrest survival 2013 – 2019, Utstein 1 survival criteria, pre-hospital intubation success for 2019 and ambulance patient offload time for 2019.

E. System Performance & Response Time Presentation / AMR

Brian Henricksen gave a power point presentation on AMR's System Performance & Response Times. The topics that were covered in the presentation were; compliance overview, response and compliance by all priorities and all zones. The data in the presentation was from January to December 2019. The overall response time compliance for AMR is above 93%.

F. Compliance Review Committee

No updates, there were no calls and the committee has not convened since the last EMCC meeting.

G. EMS System Assessment Update

Nancy Lapolla and John Eaglesham gave an overview of their company, their backgrounds and their staff. They shared the timeline for the EMS system and exclusive operating area (EOA) RFP, the assessment steps, ambulance request for proposal and the process, along with the contracting phase.

V. **EMS Agency Reports**

A. General Update

Brian Henricksen gave a power point presentation on the following items:

1. PSPS

There were 7 public safety power shutoff (PSPS) in Napa County in 2019. Since EMS Agency is the Medical//Health Response Lead for these events, it required the opening of the EOC with the extensive coordination with the cities to conduct outreach to medically vulnerable populations who require power for durable medical equipment. Brian also shared some data and GIS map for the areas which were impacted.

2. Angwin Community Surge Ambulance

The Angwin Community Surge Ambulance is still in development but AMR continues to staff a quick response vehicle in Angwin Community (Deer Park). The future surge ambulance staffed by the Angwin Volunteer Fire Station. The ambulance ordinance changes are under review and the anticipated approval is by April 2020 and the contract services between Napa County Fire and AMR is also in the process of being finalized.

3. Electronic Patient Care Reporting (ePCR)

The Napa County EMS Agency has established a contract with ImageTrend to provide data repository services. Almost all but three (3) providers are not submitting their records. The three providers are making a great process towards getting on to the new ePCR system. Most of our providers use a combination of other vendors.

4. Online Certification and Permitting

EMS will work further with Image Trend to provide additional online services such as: EMT certification / recertification, Paramedic accreditation and ambulance permitting, online payment. This will eliminate in person appointments and will save time. Anticipated launch date is December 2020.

5. Systems of Care

The STEMI, Stroke and Trauma Systems of Care plans were all approved by the State EMS Authority and the plans will be posted on the Napa County EMS Agency's website page. The stroke data is being coordinated through AHA Get with the Guidelines. Kaiser Permanente, Queen of the Valley Medical Center and Sutter Solano Medical Center are currently using that system.

6. Trauma System of Care

American College of Surgeons (ACS) had a reverification review consultation which was completed on July 15/16, 2019. The prehospital system is strong and collaborates well with the trauma program and responds positively to identify performance improvement issues. Additionally there were no deficiencies that were noted by the reviewers. Queen of the Valley Medical Center is the designated as a Level III Trauma Center by the Napa County EMS Agency through June 30, 2022.

7. Richie's Fund Application

The current available balance is \$58,600. There is one new applications and there is one outstanding payment that is also pending. The new application is for the EMS for Children Consultant for \$30,000, which would include: Opening RFP, Closing RFP and selecting consultant, Development of EMSC plan and Implementation of EMSC. There was a discussion on the new application with a concern to offset salary cost by utilizing the resources with the county. A preliminary motion was made by Dr. Aaen for RFP and RFQ to seek a consultant, perform an evaluation with a group of stakeholders on the consultant responses. The task force can bring the findings and recommendation to the EMCC for the final approval. Bruce Lee seconded the preliminary motion and the motion pass unanimously.

B. Medical Director Report

Dr, Zita Konik provided an update on the following items:

1. EMDAC

At the last EMDAC meeting the topics of discussions were: Review of SF Naloxone Distribution Project, Alameda County is sending mental health providers to pre hospital 911 calls, EMS for Children being adopted by many counties, next pediatric readiness survey for hospitals will be in June 2020, new state EMSA Director is Dr. Dave Duncan, TXA approved for post-partum bleeding for Imperial County and there was a presentation by Dr. Guterman who is a neurologist from UCSF.

2. Destination Determination – OB Services

The Adventist Health Hospital – St. Helena discontinued providing the obstetric services (OB) in January 2020. There were only 8 cases of OB services in 2015, which has a less impact to the EMS System. EMS Administrative Policy was updated to reflect the changes.

3. Annual Policy Updates

The current annual training for the policies changes are held in October, November and December with the new policies to take effect on January 1st of each year. This is becoming a challenge due to fire and PSPS. The new process will be to have the trainings in January, February and March of each year and the policies will take effect on April 1st.

VI. **EMCC Meeting Dates**

The next EMCC meeting is scheduled for May 27th but it is on the same day as the EMSAAC conference which impacts some of the stakeholders and the EMS Agency. A proposal was made to change the EMCC to May 20th. Dr Nothmann made a motion to approve the change and Dr. Aaen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. **Round Table**

Dr. Aaen made an announcement that he will be retiring on May 1st and that this was his last meeting as representing Veterans Home of California – Yountville.

Bruce Lee announced a transition of leadership with AMR Napa, as he is moving to a different role. Dean Anderson will be the Interim Regional Director for AMR Napa.

VIII. **Adjournment**

Dr. Victor Aaen made a motion to adjourn and Scott Rose seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.