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MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE

May 24, 2023, 11:00 am
St. Helena Fire Department

PRESENT: Lois Husted (Chairperson), Scott Rose (1st Vice Chairperson), Dr. Andrew Nothmann (2nd Vice Chairperson), Albert Burgess, Charles Burton, Gus Ulloth, Jason Bond, Jeff Joiner, Jeremy Ornelas, Kevin Twohey, Melissa Davis, Richard Long, Sean Rogoff, Zach Curren

GUESTS: Geoff Belyea, Jas Singh, Jesus Tijero, Dr. Karl Sporer, Rafael Escobar, Shaun Vincent

I. Introductions

Lois Husted called for the introductions of the members and guests. Kevin Twohey is the new public member of the committee and he gave a brief overview of himself.

II. Approval of Minutes

Scott Rose moved to approve the minutes from January 25, 2023, and Dr. Andrew Nothmann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Public Comment

None

IV. Committee Reports

A. Operational Area / Disaster Committee

The regular meetings are back on schedule, the last meeting was on April 17, 2023. All of the agencies checked in with their individual status and there were a few report outs.

B. Public Information & Education (PIE)

The PIE committee convened before the EMCC meeting and Shaun Vincent provided a brief status update. In the first quarter of this year, there were 20 events and a little over a 500 people were trained. In April 2023, there were 11 events and 1533 people trained. There has been education provided at schools to train students in hands only CPR. There were many AED's placed within the past few years, that are not verified. The committee will be reconciling the list to verify these units. Trifold cards are available for print with each agency's logo already branded on there. A printing company has been selected but it can be printed by any company. CPR and AED awareness week is the last week of May with 3 events already scheduled for that week.

C. Medical Advisory Committee (MAC)

Shaun Vincent report that the March meeting was cancelled. The next meeting is schedule to be held in July 2023.

D. County CQI pending confirmation

Shaun Vincent gave a PowerPoint presentation on behalf of the County CQI committee. The data that was presented was from 2013 to April 2023, which was published on 05/24/2023. The topics that were covered in the presentation were bystander CPR (Napa vs National), all AED usage, cardiac arrest survival rates (non-traumatic, Utstein 1 and 2), Stroke - median Door-to-Needle times, STEMI – median Door-to-Balloon times, trauma alerts, pediatric medication administration and Q1 2023 APOT.

E. Medical Priority Dispatch System Implementation

Gus Ulloth shared a few power point presentation slides on the new system. He gave an overview of the procurement and the implementation process. The new system went live on June 23, 2022, at 9:00 am and 83 EMD calls were processed. The following day 107 calls were processed, average time to queue was 2 minutes, 22 seconds. He provided additional statistics on the following: Q4 2022 and Q1 2023 compliance metrics, Q4 2022 and Q1 2023 call taker actions. Gus stated that the data for Q3 2022 was not available as it was inaccurate due to some identified gaps. He will try to bring some of call examples to the next meeting.

F. System Performance & Response Time Presentation / AMR

Shaun Vincent gave a PowerPoint 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 represented calendar year 2022 and separately represented January through of April 2023. The overall response time compliance for AMR in 2022 was above 93% and in 2023 it has been 95%.

G. Compliance Review Committee

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

V. **EMS Agency Reports**

A. General Update

Shaun Vincent gave a PowerPoint presentation on the following items:

1. EMS System Updates

There are a few EMS specific updates which are:

- EMS Medical Director – Shaun explained the County's recruitment contracting process to select the new EMS Medical Director. He also announced Dr. Karl Sporer as the new EMS Medical Director.
- EMS Specialist – This position is currently vacant. There have been several applications and four (4) individuals were selected for the interview which will occur on June 8th, 2023. The panel will consist of representatives from the stakeholder agencies.
- Policy Update – Annual policy updates will be the same process as the previous years. The task force group will convene later this year, the 2024 updates will be effective April 1st.
- Clinical Performance Metrics – At the end of June, the task force would be completing the designing, building and learning how to measure the data system. These tools / metrics are built in the new ESO system. The criteria is also part of this system. The clinical metrics will be reported out to the EMCC members at the January 2024 meeting.
- Technology Fund – In the new contract with AMR there is an added element for the liquidated damages to the county which will go towards the technology fund. These funds will be reinvested into the system and will have the same process as the Richie's Fund.

- QVMC ACS Survey – Rafael Escobar gave an overview of the survey. There were two minor findings which are already being worked on by the organization. This should be complete soon and the survey group will be back in a year to review the findings. Lois Husted acknowledged Rafael for all his hard work as he is new in the position.

2. Richie's Fund Application

The current available balance is \$98,913.46. There are no new applications and no pending invoices.

B. Medical Director Report

Dr. Karl Sporer provided a brief overview of himself and an update on the following items:

1. EMDAC

At the EMDAC in March 2023, the topic of discussions was Laryngeal mask airways, TXA, Ketorolac, Acetaminophen, Ketamine, the plan is to add these to the local scope of practice. Another discussion was on California Crisis Care Continuum which is sponsored by DHHS. The vision is to develop a continuum of care for behavioral health which is a statewide concern. With the statewide standards and metrics, it will define the models and prototypes for a diverse state. Additionally, topics were update to bylaws, progression on the website, unified scope of practice for EMT's employed by the state agencies and albuterol shortage.

2. EMDAC

At the EMDAC meeting, the Medical Directors trauma regulation updates, recent EMSA strategic plan, and potential changed in structure the director of EMSA.

VI. **Special Reports**

Sean Rogoff gave an annual power point presentation on behalf of AMR. The slides included the 2022 transition, statistics on ambulance transportation in 2022, impact on the new response zones, deployment plan, staffing issues and solutions, leadership, a temporary loss of the FRALS, response zones, results of the restructure, call volume statistics 2021 and 2022, compliance, ProQA, strengths, unique resources, community engagement, future opportunities and honoring the dedication and commitment of our people.

VII. **Round Table**

Zach Curren acknowledged the survivor's reunion committee for all their effort and commitment to having the dinner event for the survivors and the rescuers. It was an amazing event and thank you to all the agency's for participating as sponsors.

Jas Singh announced to the committee that her last day with the EMS Agency / in the office will be June 8, 2023.

VIII. **Adjournment**

Charles Burton made a motion to adjourn and Jason Bond seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.