Emergency Medical Care Committee Meeting Minutes Thursday September 16, 2021 Meeting Held Virtually via ZOOM

Members ☐ CHAIR Dr. Rachel May, <i>Emergency Medicine Physicians</i> ☐ VICE CHAIR Jonathan Stornetta, Public Providers		Pierucci, EMS Division Director omas Ronay, LEMSA Medical Director
 □ Bob Neumann, Consumers □ Alexandra Kohler, Consumers ☑ Matt Bronson, City Government ☑ Chris Javine, Pre-Hospital Transport Providers □ Michael Talmadge, EMS Field Personnel □ Dr. Tom Hale, Physicians ☑ Jay Wells, Sheriff's Department ☑ Julia Fogelson, Hospitals ☑ Jennifer Sandoval, MICNs 	Mike C Kyle P Denise Amy M Guests – I	el Oakley, EMS Coordinator Groves, EMS Coordinator Parker, EMS Coordinator e Yi, <i>PHEP Program Manager</i> Mayfield, Administrative Assistant Rob Jenkins, CalFire; Mike McDonough, CCHD; etajhaian, Public
AGENDA ITEM / DISCUSSION		ACTION
CALL TO ORDER		Meeting called to order at 08:34 am
Introductions		Roundtable
Public Comment		No comments
Approval of July 17, 2021 Meeting Minutes – One correction: Correct Dr. Ronay's comment regarding Draft Policy #157 FP-C/CC-C Unified Scope of Practice: "Most challenging is when paralyzing a patient which stops breathing" replacing with: "Most challenging is to intubate and ventilate after paralysis".		M/S/A as amended
REPORTS & DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS		
Action/Discussion: Approval of new committee members: Quality Improvement Workgroup: Tim Benes, CCHCD Lisa Epps, Mercy Air Affton Parras, Med Com Dr. Brad Knox, ED Physicians Vacant, Fire Service-BLS		QI Workgroup: M/S/A
Clinical Advisory Committee: Dr. Brad Knox, ED Physicians (Tenet) Dr. Kyle Kelson, ED Physicians (Tenet) Tim Benes, CCHCD (Medical Director Appointee) Vacant, ED Physician (Dignity) Discussion: V. Pierucci - Inquired on Dr. Hale's replacement from CCMA, waiting to Should have another MD appointed by January 2022 meeting.	hear back.	CA Committee: M/S/A
Review/Receive and File:		Action: Receive and file
Policies 320 and 321, 320/321 Attachment A and 321 Attachment C: R. Oakley – Review Administrative changes made to policies and attachment Policy 321 Attachment C was not included in agenda packet or staff repo 2017 version EMT skills competency verification form, that was available EMSA website, which replaced the former skills form, Attachment E. R. May – Can EMSA look into an online platform for applicants/applying electronically? V. Pierucci – Yes, we have already. It's very expensive, however, we can looking.	rt. It's a on State	, issuit reserve direction

APOT Data:	
M. Groves – Reviewed Q2 and August 2021 patient offload times. Slight increase in	
August for APOT times and number of calls.	
Discussion:	Discussion: No action required
COVID Update:	
V. Pierucci – Fire, law, and EMS not included in Aug 5, 2021 state public health	
order. 3 LEMSA's have implemented vaccination mandates so far, we are not going	
to at this point. SLA and Mercy Air looking into compliance, Cambria complying by	
9/30/21, regarding Medicaid/Medicare (CMS) participating organizations included in	
vaccination mandate.	
R. May – Do we have % of Fire, law and EMS who are vaccinated? V. Pierucci	
says no, however can guess at 80%. R. Jenkins guessing at approx. 60% for Cal	
Fire.	
M McDonough – There is fear from pts about going to the hospital, asks if a press	
release could go over this topic.	
J. Fogelson confirms that there are very strict visitor policies, differs from ED to floor	
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(care partner/visitor), for staff and patient's safety. Was a period of time of PPE	
shortages. V. Pierucci states there's an all facilities letter (AFL) regarding vaccine or	
neg test requirement.	
T. Benes – Hospitals telling staff that they cannot enter if unvaccinated. V. Pierucci says EMS is not included in Aug 5 order. Lots of uncertainties.	
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V. Pierucci – CHADOC still activated. 63% of population vaccinated, which is	
behind state numbers. Hospital patients seem to be sicker, on ventilators,	
unvaccinated. Not enough testing sites avail. Binaxnow tests in short supply,	
transitioning to care site test, which is not as easy to administer.	
R. Jenkins – Question on booster shots avail. V Pierucci says there's a lot of debate	
regarding boosters, however, the president has a date for implementation after 9/27	
meeting for recommendation.	
D. Yi – 3 rd shot called third dose for immunocompromised and booster for all others.	
Staff Reports:	Staff Reports: No action required
Health Officer:	
V. Pierucci – Working on mask enforcement.	
EMS Agency:	
V. Pierucci - EMS Updated classes underway, one left, unless a make-up class is	
necessary. MICN update is also underway.	
EMS Medical Director:	
T. Ronay – At the state level an EMS and Law enforcement work group is looking to	
optimize care of patients in a behavioral health crisis.	
PHEP:	
D. Yi - PODs for flu vaccinations coming, looking into alternate planning options ie	
administration through PH sites, however still in planning phase to support mass	
POD clinics. Many concerns of COVID exposure.	
Future Agenda Items:	Report from QIC due 11/18/21
R. May – Requests data from staff on Mercy Air, before and after implementation	
regarding meeting time and need criteria. M. Groves and V. Pierucci say yes we	
can get that. Bring a report out from Quality Improvement Committee on the	
subject.	
Next Regular Meeting	Meeting adjourned 10:15 am
Next meeting will be held Thursday, November 18, 2021.	
Unsure if an in-person meeting is an option at this point.	