Sacramento County Emergency Medical Advisory Group

Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2022, 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Meeting Location

9616 Micron Ave Suite 900 (Conference Room 1) Sacramento, CA 95827

ADVISORY GROUP MEMBERS			
Х	ALS Ground Transport Providers, Public – Rick Clarke/Jon Rudnicki, Sac Metro Fire	Х	Hospital System – Dr. J. Douglas Kirk, MD, UC Davis Health
Х	ALS Ground Transport Providers, Private – Karl Pedroni/Brian Henricksen, American Medical Response (AMR)	Х	Law Enforcement – Lt. Jack Noble, Sheriff's Office
Х	ALS Air Transport Providers – Mike Kaslin, REACH Air Medical		Training Provider – Jason Hemler, CSUS
X	BLS Providers, Public – James Hendricks, Herald Fire District	EX-O	FFICIO MEMBERS
Х	BLS Providers, Private – James Pierson, Medic Ambulance	Х	County Public Health Division – Dr. Olivia Kasirye, MD
Х	Hospital System – Tamra Kelly, Dignity Health	Х	County EMS Administrator – David Magnino
Х	Hospital System – Michael Scates, Kaiser Permanente	Х	County EMS Medical Director – Dr. Hernando Garzon, MD
X	Hospital System – Dr. Phillip Yu, MD, Sutter Health	GUEST PRESENTER	

Advisory Group Members in Attendance: 10 – Quorum present

Public/Guests in Attendance: 5

Staff: Stephanie Mello

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Topic	Minutes
Welcome, Introductions and	David Magnino welcomed advisory group members, guests, and members of the public, and reviewed the agenda and meeting materials.
Opening Remarks- David Magnino,	Agenda Review: Approval of August Meeting Minutes, EMS Committee Update, Winter Surge, and Open Discussion.
EMS Administrator	Materials: Approval of August Meeting Minutes, STEMI Transports per Receiving Hospital, EMS Staffing Roadmap, Vehicle Code Fine Revenue. <i>Materials are posted on the website.</i>
	Link: https://dhs.saccounty.gov/PUB/EMS/Pages/Emergency-Medical-Advisory-Group-(EMAG).aspx Additional Agenda Items for Discussion:
	Other Member Announcements: Dr. Garzon announced his retirement from Kaiser and as the EMS Medical Director on January 31, 2023. The Kaiser Medical Director contract is valid until June 30, 2023, and Kaiser will assign a physician as the EMS Medical Director for the remainder of the contract. The new Medical Director position will be put out for competitive bidding per County contracting guidelines.
Roll Call – Stephanie Mello	Stephanie Mello conducted roll call. Quorum present.
Meeting Minutes – Stephanie Mello	APPROVED – Advisory Group members had no changes to the August 11, 2022, draft meeting minutes. Meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Dr. J. Douglas Kirk and seconded by Lt. Jack Noble. Approved by members' vote.
EMS Committee Update –	STEMI Transports per Receiving Hospital: Dr. Garzon presented the 2021 data and EMAG members discussed the driving factors leading to STEMI transport designations.
Hernando Garzon, MD	<u>Trauma</u> : Nothing significant to report. <u>Technical Advisory Group (TAG)</u> : The group that reviews data for quality improvement. The group has not met since last EMAG.
	STEMI: Nothing significant to report. Stroke: The Committee discussed methods for improving field assessments for Stroke. Discussed if Stroke
	scales sensitive/accurate enough to differentiate between primary and comprehensive stroke. Consensus is to improve paramedics' ability to run the stroke scale and see if accuracy numbers improve and approach closer to the national standard.
	MAC/OAC: The committee agreed to start an APOT subgroup to discuss possible solutions to lower APOT.

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Winter Surge – Hernando Garzon, MD Olivia Kasirye, MD Open Discussion – David Magnino	Influenza, COVID and RSV: The winter surge hit early and is impacting hospitals. RSV is plateauing and declining. Influenza and COVID numbers are rising. Influenza numbers are tracking similarly as in the winter of 2017-18. Pediatric hospitals are being heavily impacted as they receive both adult and pediatric patients. Currently, no declared emergency, therefore there is no additional funding or staffing support from the state. Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD): Medic, AMR and AlphaOne are online. Hoping Fire gets online before funding expires on June 30, 2023. Once Fire is online, then hospitals will be able to review the numbers in real time, and then EMS can start working with a workgroup to look at how to use the data to redirect transports. Budget Update FY 2022-23: David Magnino presented the updated EMS Staffing Roadmap, reviewed the Fiscal Year 2022-23 approved growth, including the two (2) EMS Specialist positions for data and critical care program support. The new EMS Specialists are hired and start in January 2023. FY 2023-24 Budget Growth Request. David Magnino reviewed the proposed FY 2023-24 Growth Request. EMAG Members expressed support for EMS requesting all additional positions as identified in the EMS Staffing Roadmap and emphasized the importance of explaining/demonstrating the value of the additional positions, how the positions and added services benefit the EMS system and the importance of quantifying the impact of the additional positions. Vehicle Code Fine Revenue Replacement: David Magnino reviewed the continued decline in Vehicle Code Fine revenue and the need for alternate sustainable funding.
Public Comment	No public comments.
Action Item(s)	STEMI and Stroke 2022 Destination Data: EMS to present the 2022 STEMI and Stroke destination data. EMS Growth Requests: Prepare for the Hospital Council to present to the Board of Supervisors in support of the FY 203-24 growth requests, information explaining/demonstrating the value of the additional positions, how the positions and added services benefit the EMS system and quantifying the impact of the additional positions.
Closing Remarks and Adjourn – David Magnino	David thanked everyone for participating in today's meeting and acknowledged the hard work of everyone in the group. With no additional business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:49 PM, with a motion by James Pierson and seconded by Dr. Yu.
Next Meeting	Thursday, February 9, 2023 / 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM 9616 Micron Ave. Suite 900 (Conference Room 1). Sacramento, CA 95827