

Sacramento County Emergency Medical Advisory Group

Meeting Minutes

December 14, 2023, 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Meeting Location

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

ADVISORY GROUP MEMBERS			
X	ALS Ground Transport Providers, Public – Robert Kasparian, Cosumnes Fire	X	Hospital System – Dr. John Rose, M.D., UC Davis Health
X	ALS Ground Transport Providers, Private – Brian Henricksen/Gabe Cruz American Medical Response (AMR)	X	Law Enforcement – Matthew Burton, Sheriff’s Office
	ALS Air Transport Providers – Mike Kaslin, REACH Air Medical		Training Provider – Jason Hemler, CSUS
X	BLS Providers, Public – James Hendricks, Herald Fire District	EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS	
X	BLS Providers, Private – James Pierson, Medic Ambulance	X	County Public Health Division – Dr. Olivia Kasirye, M.D.
X	Hospital System – Tamra Kelly, Dignity Health	X	County EMS Administrator – David Magnino
	Hospital System – Brandon Pace, Kaiser Permanente	X	County EMS Medical Director – Dr. Gregory Kann, M.D.
	Hospital System – Dr. Phillip Yu, M.D., Sutter Health		

Advisory Group Members in Attendance: 7 – *Quorum present*

Public/Guests in Attendance: 5

Staff: Stephanie Mello

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Topic	Minutes
<p>Welcome, Introductions and Opening Remarks- <i>David Magnino</i></p>	<p>David Magnino welcomed advisory group members, guests, and members of the public, and reviewed the agenda and meeting materials.</p> <p><u>Agenda Review:</u> Approval of October Meeting Minutes, EMS Committee Update, APOT, and Open Discussion.</p> <p><u>Materials:</u> Approval of October Meeting Minutes. <i>Materials are posted on the website.</i></p> <p>Link: https://dhs.saccounty.gov/PUB/EMS/Pages/Emergency-Medical-Advisory-Group-(EMAG).aspx</p> <p><u>Additional Agenda Items for Discussion:</u> None</p> <p><u>Other Member Announcements:</u> None</p>
<p>Roll Call – <i>David Magnino</i></p>	<p>David Magnino conducted roll call.</p> <p>Quorum was established by count.</p>
<p>Meeting Minutes – <i>David Magnino</i></p>	<p>APPROVED – Advisory Group members had no changes to the October 12, 2023, draft meeting minutes. Meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Tamra Kelly and seconded by Matthew Burton. Approved by members’ vote. Dr. Rose abstained.</p>
<p>EMS Committee Update – <i>Dr. Gregory Kann</i></p>	<p><u>STEMI/Stroke:</u> Aligned data reporting timelines for all specialty care programs. All specialty care program reporting timelines are now 90 days.</p> <p><u>Technical Advisory Group (TAG):</u> Nothing significant to report.</p> <p><u>Trauma Improvement Committee (TIC):</u> EMS based meeting reviewing cases starting from dispatch tapes, through prehospital care, hospital care to discharge. Case presentations spurred conversations on policies and patient care.</p> <p><u>MAC/OAC:</u> Reviewed policies up for renewal. AEMT discussion surrounded SCEMSA getting the program approved by the State. Scope of Practice is being discussed at the State level. AEMT program will help address APOT and provide an additional level of service. The basic AEMT program was adopted. Expanded Scope not being implemented at this time. Training programs will train to the national level. Buprenorphine Policy approved with implementation on May 1, 2024.</p> <p><u>APOT: Two-Tiered Response System</u> is moving forward quickly. Sac Metro’s pilot study demonstrated that the two-tiered system is safe and can offload the low acuity patients to EMT level of care, thus freeing up ALS responders. Working on what an ALS downgrade to BLS response looks like. The policies are being written. Also looking at how BLS can assist in the ED to allow ALS responders release back into the field. APOT Summit: February 13, 2024. Focus on mitigation strategy discussions, sharing best practices, break out discussions, sharing information and successes. Stakeholders asked to invite all involved parties (Skilled Nursing, Insurance company representatives, etc.). The Summit will be quarterly Hospital Mitigation Strategy: APOT Step-Down Reductions (handout and PowerPoint presentation) presented. The goal is to</p>

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	<p>achieve compliance with AB40. Each hospital has a baseline APOT number, and quarterly APOT target. Hospitals to develop an APOT mitigation plan by 1/31/2024 on how they will achieve these targets. If a hospital is not reaching their quarterly target numbers, corrective action will be taken.</p>
<p>Open Discussion – <i>David Magnino</i></p>	<p><u>Staffing Update:</u> Reviewed the EMS Roadmap and Fiscal Year 2024-25 requested growth positions, new programs, data repository purchase and the MMS lease costs.</p> <p><u>CAD Interface:</u> The CAD interface is up and running. Hospitals still experiencing issues with the accuracy of the information. CAD will show an ambulance at the hospital and when there are no units at the hospital. The information is as accurate as the information in the system. The information is dependent on the units putting themselves back into service. SCEMSA continues to work with getting Fire on the CAD Interface.</p> <p><u>Revenue/Fee Assessment:</u> Awardee announced and contracting process has begun. The contract is a 1-year contract beginning on the date of execution. All avenues of revenue, programs and associated program fees will be researched and included in the analysis results.</p>
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>Jeremy – Can the hospitals receive the data that shows no ambulances available to respond? EMS can provide the data once it's entered into EMResource. The data belongs to Fire Dispatch. Dr. Kann advocates for an alert system that notifies hospitals that the system is at a critical threshold and the hospitals need to release a certain number of ambulances. Fire noted that the critical threshold is less than 20, but notification may not go out until much fewer are available depending on how busy dispatch is.</p>
<p>Action Item(s)</p>	<p>SCEMSA APOT Summit: Stephanie to send EMAG a Save the Date email.</p> <p>Hospital APOT Mitigation Plans: Completion date 01/31/2024</p>
<p>Closing Remarks and Adjourn – <i>David Magnino</i></p>	<p>David Magnino thanked everyone for participating in today's meeting.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Thursday, February 8, 2024 / 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM</p> <p>Thursday, April 11, 2024 / 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM</p>