

# EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE MEETING

## MINUTES

June 1, 2017

1:00 p.m.

SHERIFF'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE  
5099 Old Hwy N  
MARIPOSA, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nanette Wardle (Chair), Megan King, Deputy Chief Curtis Jackson, Danny Suarez, Jesse Figueroa (Vice-Chair), Dr. Sergienko, Preston Smith, Karen Wilson, Chip Griffin

GUESTS: Amy Johnson, Steve Crabtree, Ryan Avelar, Brian Ogilvie

STAFF: Lance Doyle

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Nanette Wardle (Chair)

**B. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

Nanette introduced Amy Johnson of CDPH-EPO, the contract manager for the HPP grant.

Committee members were welcomed and self-introductions were conducted.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

M/S/C (Sergienko/Figueroa ) To approve the meeting agenda as written.

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

M/S/C (Figueroa/Sergienko) To approve the meeting minutes as written.

**F. MASS CASUALTY PLAN WORKING GROUP:**

There will be a conference call on 6/8/17 to review the County Plan. All are welcome to participate in revising the MCI Plan.

**G. SKILLED NURSING FACILITY TABLETOP EXERCISE**

Lance Doyle shared that MVEMSA in cooperation with Public Health will conduct a Skilled Nursing Facility tabletop exercise to develop an evacuation plan. There will be a facilitator discussion and the plan will be exercised at a later date. The date will be coordinated with Richard Murdock.

**H. MCI Drill Planning**

Dr. Sergienko said there will be a functional drill on November 16, 2017 to test hospital evacuation. A full-scale MCI exercise will be planned tentatively for March 2018.

**I. NALOXONE ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Sergienko stated the County applied for a grant from the State for \$10,000 worth of intranasal Naloxone. The cache will be received at the beginning of the new fiscal year. The State's intent is to put the drug into the hands of family members of those in the high risk population. At this time, it is difficult to identify who those people are in Mariposa County aside from a half dozen individuals. The Naloxone will be shared with law enforcement and fire agencies. The standing orders for paramedics will be expanded to include EMRs. There is some question regarding who is the oversight Agency for training lay people.

Lance Doyle reported a similar process is beginning in Amador and Calaveras Counties. EMRs and EMTs fall under MVEMSA oversight, but lay people will be trained by Behavioral Health. Any department wanting to distribute Naloxone will have to execute an MOU with Public Health. Public Health will maintain the restocking aspect, but Quality Improvement and training will be coordinated with MVEMSA. Tracking forms have been developed and Dr. Mackey has developed a PowerPoint training. Richard Murdock is finishing up an EMR and BLS treatment policy. Hopefully the policy will go to the JPA Board of Directors for approval in June 2017.

Jesse Figueroa shared Naloxone is a seldom-used drug in the County. It often expires before it can be used. Committee discussion followed to express concern the quantity in the cache is greater than the need over the next decade.

**J. SIM MAN TRAINING MANIKIN**

Lance Doyle explained the use of the Agency's training manikin to test protocol knowledge of paramedic accreditation applicants. This option replaces the 5-Call requirement with the ambulance provider. Scheduling can be done through Brenda at the Agency office. The long-term goal is to use a donated ambulance to transport the manikin to the counties in the MVEMSA region.

**K. MVEMSA MEDICAL DIRECTOR**

Lance Doyle reported Dr. Mackey resigned as the Agency Medical Director effective 6/30/17. He will stay on as an Assistant Medical Director for the Community Paramedicine project. Recruitment for a new Medical Director is underway.

**L. NEW EMT REGULATIONS**

Lance Doyle shared the State has just released new Scope of Practice guidelines for EMTs. The Agency Scope of Practice protocol has already been revised, but will be verified against the new guidelines. Ultimately, the Agency Medical Director decides on the local Scope of Practice.

**M. MOA BETWEEN MARIPOSA COUNTY AND THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

Dr. Sergienko presented a memorandum of agreement for mutual aid rendered by the National Park Service in Mariposa County. Based on the definitions of ALS, BLS, Paramedic and EMT contained in the agreement, the question arises if a Park Medic (like an Advanced EMT) or a Park Medic Cardiac (between a Park Medic and Paramedic) can perform ALS skills outside of Park Service jurisdiction when responding in a mutual aid fashion in Mariposa County.

Lance Doyle explained mutual aid performed in other counties outside the MVEMSA region is performed under MVEMSA protocols. Dr. Sergienko affirmed that provision is in the MOA that when a Park Medic is providing ALS services they are operating under federal guidance and medical direction.

Chip Griffin was concerned for those park medics who do not have California State licensure, as the definitions are consistent with State regulations.

The definitions and scope of practice will be provided to MVEMSA for further review and clarification by Richard Murdock. The present agreement will expire in June 2017.

**N. CALFIRE AND MARIPOSA COUNTY FIRE**

Dr. Sergienko discussed there is a time of transition with CalFire providing command and control of Mariposa County Fire. Fire operations will continue as already in place. EMS training will remain unchanged as it conveys MVEMSA treatment protocols. Both CalFire and Dr. Mackey like Public Safety First Aid. If the new Agency Medical Director is in support of that as well, there could be some minor changes in the future.

Danny Suarez explained the new contract begins July 1, 2017.

**O. REPORTS:**

**A. JCFHCD:**

- HPP Grant Discussion
  - The Healthcare Coalition met this morning. The work plan and budget were submitted to the State last week.
  - The Healthcare Coalition has to join with another coalition because this County only has one hospital. Nanette is leaning toward Stanislaus because of patient movement in an MCI and the location of MVEMSA. An update will be provided at the next meeting.
  - Lance Doyle agreed that joining a County within the MVEMSA region would be preferable. It would be possible to join the coalition but retain autonomy for Mariposa County.

**B. MCSO:**

- Not Present

C. **American Red Cross:**

- Not Present

D. **CHP:**

- Not Present

E. **MCHD:**

- Dr. Sergienko will be hiring a new Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Coordinator in the near future.
- The SAFE program is used to identify at risk patients for evacuation in the County. Dr. Sergienko would like to see information from EMS calls used to identify patients eligible for the SAFE program. There is a SAFE Coordinator at the Health Department who can enroll eligible citizens.

F. **CAL FIRE:**

- Nothing to report

G. **COUNTY FIRE:**

- Mutual aid was recently used to rescue a tree worker who had a traumatic amputation of his arm. The patient was air lifted to a hospital in Modesto.
- Dr. Sergienko observed it would be a good idea to have tourniquets readily available for EMS first responders. Group discussion identified possible options.
- Karen Wilson will bring some additional information to the next meeting.

H. **MERCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT:**

- A 5150 cage transport vehicle is ready to be used as soon as the policy is completed by MVEMSA.

I. **AIR AMBULANCE:**

- There will be Fathers Day Fly-In at Columbia Airport.
- There will a symposium for all levels of providers held in Calaveras County (San Andreas) on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Free CEs and free lunch will be provided.

J. **MVEMSA:**

- Nothing further to report

K. **YOSEMITE MEDICAL CLINIC:**

- The current Medical Director will be leaving in mid-June. The replacement will be on board July 8<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Sergienko helped provide an Emergency Physician to fill in the gap.
- The clinic had a confirmed case of flu.
- Chip Griffin publicly thanked Dr. Sergienko for including the Park in the events during EMS Week.

- There was a resuscitated cardiac arrest in the Park yesterday. The EMS response was outstanding. The patient was air-lifted to Memorial Medical Center and last report was he had been placed in the ICU.

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L. **PHYSICIAN REPRESENTATIVE:**

- Not Present

M. **NORTH COUNTY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE:**

- Karen Wilson is very busy doing First Aid/CPR training for the temporaries currently assigned to the Forest Service.
- There will be a 2-day refresher course in CPR to include Pit Crew CPR offered on June 17<sup>th</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- The Health Department CE Session for Airways will be on June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- First Aid/CPR training for the Probation Department is completed. Training for the Jail staff will be on June 26<sup>th</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Karen will be applying to tactical first aid training programs and will coordinate through MVEMSA for approval. There is a North Unit and a South Unit that train monthly for the Sheriff Department.

N. **SOUTH COUNTY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE:**

- Not present

O. **NEXT MEETING:**

**Thursday, August 3, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.**

P. **ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 2:18 pm