

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

October 28, 2021

1:00 PM

Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Deaver, Dr. Sergienko, Nanette Wardle, Jesse Figueroa, UnderSheriff Sterling Cramer; Preston Smith

STAFF: Justin Murdock, Jim Whitworth

A. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Nanette Wardle called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

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

Nanette Wardle introduced the meeting attendees.

C. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

M/S/C (Sergienko/Cramer) To approve the agenda.
Motion Passed.

E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

M/S/C (Sergienko/Cramer) To approve the minutes from June 17, 2021.
Motion Passed.

F. **REVIEW of COMMITTEE CONSTITUENCY AND MEMBERSHIP**

Dr. Sergienko will take an action item to the Board of Supervisors to update the Committee membership to include Yosemite National Park and the Park Clinic.

Nanette reported that Dr. Smith has agreed to be the Physician Representative.

Sheriff Jeremy Briesse will be the primary representative for the Sheriff's Department with Undersheriff Sterling Cramer as the alternate.

Nanette has obtained the names of the primary and alternate representatives for the California Highway Patrol.

Paula Rhodes will be the primary representative for John C. Fremont Hospital with Gonzalo Tafoya and Nanette Wardle as alternates.

G. **REPORTS:**

1. **JCFHCD** – Nanette Wardle

The new ED Manager is Paula Rhodes. She is on vacation today, but will attend the next meeting. She has a 25 year background in EMS. She is originally from Kansas and then moved to Mariposa. The hospital is very happy to have her.

- HPP Grant Discussion

- HPP Grant proposal is still not approved.
- Dr. Sergienko also does not have the PHEP application approved.
- CDPH-EPO is running behind as the Contract Managers are all working in the field.
- At the last EMCC meeting and in the last HCC meeting, there was discussion that the Mass Casualty Plan needs to be updated and brought back through the EMCC for approval. The last update was 3-4 years ago and needs to be revisited.
- The Merced-Mariposa Health Care Coalition completed the pediatric surge plan and is working on an exercise for March/April 2022.

2. **MCSO** – Sterling Cramer

No report.

3. **American Red Cross** – Not Present

4. **CHP** – Not Present

5. **MCHHSA** – Dr. Sergienko

Several COVID-19 booster vaccine clinics have been scheduled over the next several weeks.

Naloxone has been distributed to County Fire. Doses are available for CalFire and the Sheriff's Department. Some doses had previously been provided to patrol deputies. There have not been any administrations reported to date.

Rob Smith is leaving the PHEP/EMS Coordinator position tomorrow to become Executive Director of a private EMS firm. He will stay on as an extra help employee to assist with Saturday clinics as best he can.

6. **CAL FIRE/COUNTY FIRE** – Scott Deaver

Naloxone has not yet been administered by County Fire. Cal Fire is not going that direction at this time.

CalFire has been funded for peak staffing until December 31, 2021. Things will be reevaluated at that time.

7. **MERCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT** – Jesse Figueroa

No report.

8. **AIR AMBULANCE** – Not present

9. **MVEMSA** – Justin Murdock

The Agency has provided FirstPass training to the ambulance providers. FirstPass is a quality improvement tool that will be used moving forward starting in January 2022.

The Agency has been working on a two tiered response for Stanislaus County and because of that two policies are in the process of being updated:

412.20 EMS Transfer of Patient Care

570.35 Refusal of Care

The updates will affect all five member counties. The Agency has been working with the ambulance providers and hospitals to ensure buy-in to the upcoming changes.

Stanislaus County has decided to leave the Mountain-Valley EMS Agency JPA. The Agency is working on several things related to this upcoming change. The JPA Board meetings are now monthly and planning discussions in those meetings include topics like where the Agency will be physically located, the inventory of Agency property, and potential funding for the Agency moving forward.

Dr. Sergienko added that Tuolumne County is doing a staff analysis to see if they should join the other member counties along Highway 49 in the JPA.

10. **YOSEMITE MEDICAL CLINIC** – Not Present

11. **PHYSICIAN REPRESENTATIVE** – Not Present

12. **NORTH COUNTY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE** – Not Present

13. **SOUTH COUNTY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE** – Not Present

H. **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, December 16, 2021 at 1:00 PM

I. **ADJOURNMENT** – Chairperson Nanette Wardle adjourned the meeting at 1:34 PM.