

**Emergency Medical Care Committee
Meeting Minutes
Thursday March 17th, 2022.
Meeting Held Virtually via ZOOM**



APPROVED May Meeting

Members

- CHAIR Dr. Rachel May, *Emergency Medicine Physicians*
- VICE CHAIR Jonathan Stornetta, *Public Providers*

- Bob Neumann, *Consumers*
- Alexandra Kohler, *Consumers*
- Matt Bronson, *City Government*
- Chris Javine, *Pre-Hospital Transport Providers*
- Michael Talmadge, *EMS Field Personnel*
- Dr. Brad Knox, *Physicians*
- Jay Wells, *Sheriff's Department*
- Julia Fogelson, *Hospitals*
- Jennifer Sandoval, *MICNs*

Ex Officio

- Vince Pierucci, *EMS Division Director*
- Dr. Thomas Ronay, *LEMSA Medical Director*

Staff

- Rachel Oakley, *EMS Coordinator*
- Mike Groves, *EMS Coordinator*
- Kyle Parker, *EMS Coordinator*
- Denise Yi, *PHEP Program Manager*
- Sara Schwall, *Administrative Assistant*

Guests – Rob Jenkins, CalFire; Mike McDonough, CCHD; Aaron Hartney, Cal Star; Dr. Heidi Hutchinson, ER; Natasha Lukasiewicz, FHD ED Director

AGENDA ITEM / DISCUSSION	ACTION
CALL TO ORDER	Meeting called to order at 08:36 AM
Introductions	Roundtable
Public Comment	No comments
Approval of January 20th, 2022 Meeting Minutes –	J. Sandoval Motions. B. Neumann 2nds. All in favor.
<p>Recommendation for Approval Policy changes for policies 350 and 351.</p> <p>Policy 350: MICN Initial Authorization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ride along requirement eliminated. • Require a letter of employment/separation • No longer needed to submit application in person. • MICN liaison will act as coordinator of MICN applicants to maintain accuracy. • Application fee is waived. • Attachment A-D are revised to reflect the above. <p>Policy 341: MICN Reauthorization:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two classes required with proof of attendance • MICN liaison will act as coordinator of MICN applicants to maintain accuracy. • Require a letter of employment • Application fee is waived • Base Station Meetings reduced from 6 to 4 meetings and requirement of 6 CEs has been eliminated. <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B. Knox: Shouldn't MICN look at an ambulance at the minimum? • R. May: Not clear why the ride along was removed and has concerns of MICN not spending time with medics and understanding the field. 	R. Oakley

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • V. Pierucci: COVID eliminated the capacity for hospitals to spare staff for ride along • J. Fogelson: Suggests MICN have an orientation at the ED bay to familiarize themselves with a rig and medic calls. • J. Sandoval: Agrees with J. Fogelson and would like to explore options for MICN who want the orientation. • V. Pierucci: Suggests adding ride along back into requirements at 4 hours instead of 6 plus 4 hours at MEDCOM. It is valuable for MICN to see pre-hospital care. • K. Parker: Suggests use of checklist with orientation requirements. • J. Sandoval: Can certain topics be communicated in another format besides a ride along? • T. Ronay: In favor of ride along requirements to give MICN regional knowledge and a better understanding of the environment that the patient is being cared for. • R. Oakley: We can revise the MICN policy but would need to pass it through Ops first. • V. Pierucci: We will rework the policy and come back at a future meeting. <p>Contract Renewal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 4 year agreement with San Luis Ambulance expires June 30th, 2022. APOC approved a 2 year extension of the contract with 2 amendments. Amendment 1: SLAS will provide EMSA with patient care record login information. Amendment 2: SLAS will provide interoperability with Cambria CHD and Fire agencies in 6 months. <p>Helicopter QI Data Report Out: Data was presented from mid year 2020 until present.</p>	<p>No Action Taken</p> <p>V. Pierucci</p> <p>B. Knox motions to approve the 2 year extension. B. Neumann 2nds. R. May and C. Javine abstain. Motion carries.</p> <p>M. Groves</p>
<p>Report: COVID Update: Case numbers are down, hospitalizations are in the single digits, positivity rates are down. The Grover Beach, Paso Robles and SLO community testing sites will continue testing through April. COVID vaccinations have been incorporated into normal Public Health Clinic operations. Omicron surges continue abroad and the BA2 variant makes up about 11% of our county's cases. We may expect an uptick in cases with the no mask policy. Overall, looking much improved.</p>	<p>V. Pierucci</p>
<p>Staff Report: Dr. Penny Borenstein is acting as interim HA Director. The review process has begun for a new HA Director. We have our new AAIII, Sara Schwall in office. Our staff is preparing for the EMS Update course in May and the airway lab in June.</p> <p>EMS Medical Director Report: We are getting updates for scope of practice from the State for paramedics vaccinating and have approval. The State is working on best practices for Post-ROSC Bundles of Care. The pediatric readiness assessment is completed and new guidance for trauma is coming soon. APOT scores have been spectacular in the county! There will be a skills lab at the Paso Airport in June.</p> <p>PHEP Staff Report: COVID therapeutics distribution continues; the county is working with physicians in the county to distribute monoclonal antibodies and other therapeutics. Staff is completing an After Action Report for Public Health.</p>	<p>V. Pierucci</p> <p>Dr. Tom Ronay</p> <p>Denise Yi</p>
<p>Announcements: None.</p>	
<p>Future Agenda Items: None</p>	

Next Regular Meeting

Next meeting will be held Thursday, May 19th, 2022, at 08:30 AM. Location TBD.

Meeting adjourned 10:13 AM