

# **Attachment 4C**

Emergency Medical Care Committee  
Fiscal Year 2012-13 Annual Report



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Issue / Item	Description of Issue	Dates Reviewed	Date Finalized	Comments / Outcome
August 24, 2012 Meeting				
Meeting Cancelled				
October 26, 2012 Meeting				
<b>EMCC MEMBERSHIP</b>	Introduction of new members.	10/26/12	10/26/12	Margie Harrier (representing OC Business Council) and Mayor Brad Reese (League of Calif. Cities) were welcomed as new members.
<b>INTRODUCTIONS</b>	Michael Delaby, RN (EMS Facilities Coordinator) and Lydia Mikhail (Interim HDM Division Manager) were introduced.	10/26/12	10/26/12	
<b>OCEMS REPORT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical Director Report</li> <li>• OCMEDS Update</li> <li>• Disaster Preparations</li> <li>• Hospital Diversion</li> <li>• EMCC Advisory Subcommittee &amp; Advisory Group Reports</li> </ul>	10/26/12	Ongoing report	Report given by OCEMS staff.
<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>	Steve Wontrobski provided oral and written comments regarding RFP bidding process.	10/26/12	10/26/12	Written comments were distributed to Committee members.
<b>EMCC ANNUAL REPORT</b>	2011-12 Annual Report provided to members.	10/26/12	10/26/12	Report will be forwarded to state EMS Authority
<b>POLICY 777.00</b>	"Interfacility Transport Critical Care Transport-Paramedic Service Provider"	4/27/12 6/22/12 10/26/12	Ongoing	Policy is out for an additional 15-day public comment period.
<b>POLICY 778.00</b>	"Interfacility Transport Critical Care Transport-Paramedic Criteria"	4/27/12 6/22/12 10/26/12	Ongoing	Policy is out for an additional 15-day public comment period.
<b>NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR EMCC SLATE OF OFFICERS CALENDAR YEAR 2013</b>	Appointment of Nominating Committee for the selection of EMCC Slate of Officers for Calendar Year 2013.	10/26/12	10/26/12	Selection of Nick Anas, MD, Chief Paul Henisey, and Patrick Powers for the nominating committee.
<b>CHANGE LOCATION OF DECEMBER 14, 2012 MEETING</b>	Proposal to change the location of the next EMCC meeting to Children's Hospital of Orange County.	10/26/12	12/14/12	Committee members approved the change in location to CHOC so they could tour the new hospital.



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<b>MEMBER COMMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chief Kris Head announced his retirement from Laguna Beach Fire Department. He will continue to serve on the Committee until a replacement may be named.</li> <li>Chief Paul Henisey recognized fire service for their participation in the development of an active shooter fire response policy in conjunction with the OC Sheriff &amp; Police Chiefs' Assn. The Association is expected to review the policy.</li> <li>Dr. Stratton on the RFP process for ambulance companies.</li> </ul>	10/26/12	10/26/12	Dr. Stratton presented information as requested at the June 22, 2012 meeting on the RFP process for ambulance companies.
<b>December 14, 2012 Meeting</b>				
<b>OCEMS REPORT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medical Director Report</li> <li>OC-MEDS Update</li> </ul>	12/14/12	Ongoing report	Report given by OCEMS staff.
<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ken Gabrielson and Kathy Moran provided oral comments on policies 777.00 and 778.00.</li> <li>Darrell Nolita provided oral comments on ambulance provider selection in the City of Westminster.</li> <li>Stephen Wontrobski provided written and oral comments on the ambulance RFP process.</li> </ul>	12/14/12	12/14/12	Received written comments on ambulance provider selection from Stephen Wontrobski.
<b>POLICY 777.00</b>	"Interfacility Transport Critical Care Transport-Paramedic Service Provider"	4/27/12 6/22/12 10/26/12 12/14/12	Ongoing	15-day public comment period submissions were provided.
<b>POLICY 778.00</b>	"Interfacility Transport Critical Care Transport-Paramedic Criteria"	4/27/12 6/22/12 10/26/12 12/14/12	Ongoing	15-day public comment period submissions were provided.
<b>ELECTION OF EMCC SLATE OF OFFICERS CALENDAR YEAR 2013</b>	Conduct election of 2013 Slate of Officers (Chairman and Vice Chairman).	10/26/12	12/14/12	Selection of Jon Gilwee as Chair and Michelle Tom, MD as Vice Chair.
<b>CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF ORANGE COUNTY</b>	Presentation and tour of the facility.	12/14/12	12/14/12	Nick Anas, MD, EMCC Committee member, made a presentation of the new hospital. Committee members and guests were given a tour of the new hospital.



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<b>February 22, 2013 Meeting</b>				
<b>OCEMS REPORT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OCMEDS Update</li> <li>• 2012-2013 Influenza Season</li> </ul>	2/22/13	Ongoing report	Report given by OCEMS staff.
<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>	No public comments were received.			
<b>GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICE BLS AND ALS RATE ADJUSTMENTS</b>	OCEMS is preparing notification to City Managers, Fire Chiefs, and ambulance service providers for the 2013-2014 annual BLS and ALS rate adjustment.	2/22/13	Ongoing	Informational Item only.
<b>POLICY #600.00</b>	"Emergency Receiving Center Criteria"	2/22/13	4/1/13	50-day public comment period submissions were provided.
<b>POLICY #610.00</b>	"Base Hospital Criteria"	2/22/13	4/1/13	50-day public comment period submissions were provided. Endorsement of the development of a survey and indicators to assess benefits and risks of field observations or ride-alongs for Mobile Intensive Care Nurses (MICN) and Base Hospital Physicians (BHP).
<b>POLICY #630.00</b>	"Cardiovascular Receiving Center (CVRC) Criteria"	2/22/13	4/1/13	50-day public comment period submissions were provided.
<b>POLICY #650.00</b>	"Stroke Neurology Receiving Center Criteria"	2/22/13	4/1/13	50-day public comment period submissions were provided.
<b>POLICY #680.00</b>	"Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center"	2/22/13	4/1/13	This is a new policy. 50-day public comment period submissions were provided. Endorsement of comprehensive call panel requirements.



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<b>MEMBER COMMENTS</b>	<p>Dr. Nick Anas: Recommendations on call panel issues and asked if Committee members felt that there was a conflict of interest during discussion items related to children.</p> <p>Patrick Powers: Suggested that EMCC members be designated to attend subcommittees and report back to EMCC.</p> <p>Monica Ruzich: American Red Cross' disaster preparedness recovery alliances which meets to discuss emergency training.</p> <p>Dr. Michelle Tom: New member introductory packet.</p>	2/24/12	2/24/12	Information only.
<b>April 26, 2013 Meeting</b>				
<b>OCEMS REPORT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OCMECS Update</li> <li>• Disaster Preparations</li> <li>• Hospital Diversion Hours</li> <li>• EMCC Correspondence</li> </ul>	4/26/13	Ongoing report	Report given by OCEMS staff.
<b>EMCC MEMBERSHIP</b>	Introduction of new members.	10/26/12	10/26/12	Chief Wolfgang Knabe (OC Fire Chiefs Assn.) and Kenneth McFarland (HASC) were welcomed as new members.
<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>	Providing oral comments on the IFT Pilot Program were Baryic Hunter, Kathy Moran, Bill Weston, and Stephen Wontrobski.	4/26/13	4/26/13	
<b>GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICE BLS AND ALS RATE ADJUSTMENTS</b>	Notified City Managers, Fire Chiefs, and ambulance service providers, for the 2013-2014 annual BLS and ALS rate adjustment.	2/22/13 4/26/13	Pending	Will be discussed at the next EMCC meeting.
<b>PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE</b>	Public Hearing Notice on the Closure of Emergency Services at Anaheim General Hospital	4/26/13	4/26/13	Public Hearing held to receive comments from community members and health care providers to advise OCEMS before the completion of an impact evaluation.
<b>POLICY #610.00</b>	"Base Hospital Criteria"	2/22/13 4/26/13	Ongoing	Dr. Stratton provided information and survey results regarding mandatory field observations for Mobile Intensive Care Nurses as required under this policy. Returned to subcommittees for further discussion.



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POLICY #700.00  INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (IFT-ALS) PILOT	"EMT-P Service Provider Criteria"  Report presented and discussion regarding the Pilot Study was opened.	04/26/13	Pending	Policy to go out for 50-day public comment.
MEMBER COMMENTS	None made.	4/26/13	Ongoing	Committee members discussed the pilot study. Oral comments from Committee members were received.
<b>June 28, 2013 Meeting</b>				
OCEMS REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical Director Update</li> <li>• EMCC Membership Status</li> <li>• OC-MEDS Update</li> <li>• Hospital Diversion</li> <li>• Disaster Preparations</li> <li>• EMCC Correspondence</li> </ul>	6/28/13	Ongoing report	Report given by OCEMS staff.
PUBLIC FORUM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentations on Ground Ambulance Service BLS and ALS Rate Adjustments made by Bill Weston and Jim Ruane.</li> <li>• Providing oral comments on the IFT Pilot Program were Baryic Hunter, Dave Rose, Joelle Samsel, and Tim Steging.</li> </ul>	6/28/13	6/28/13	Received oral comments from EMS System providers.
CLOSURE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AT ANAHEIM GENERAL HOSPITAL	Impact Evaluation Report on the closure of Anaheim General Hospital	4/26/13 6/28/13	6/28/13	Final report presented to Committee members.
POLICY #610.00	"Base Hospital Criteria"	2/22/13 4/26/13 6/28/13	Ongoing	Accept reports and recommendations made by CPAC and FAC to revised policy to reflect their recommendation on changes regarding field observations requirements for MICNs.
GROUND AMBULANCE SERVICE BLS RATES AND ALS RATE ADJUSTMENT	Proposed ambulance service basic life support (BLS) rates adjustment and advance life support (ALS).	2/22/13 4/26/13 6/28/13	6/28/13	Presentation made by OCFA and AAOC. Endorsed proposed ambulance service rates and forward a letter of support to the Board of Supervisors.



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<b>INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (IFT-ALS) PILOT</b>	Report presented and discussion regarding the Pilot Study was opened.	4/26/13 6/28/13	Ongoing	Hear comments. Item deferred so that OCEMS may evaluate issues raised by speakers; and present findings at the next meeting.
<b>HOSPITAL DESIGNATIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approve the initial designation of the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center</li> <li>○ One Cardiovascular Receiving Center</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Approve Re-designation of the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ One Base Hospital</li> <li>○ Three Cardiovascular Receiving Centers</li> <li>○ Eight Emergency Receiving Centers</li> <li>○ One Paramedic Resource Center</li> <li>○ One Stroke Neurology Receiving Center</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	6/28/13	6/28/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report given by OCEMS Staff.</li> <li>• Approve the designations and redesignations as noted.</li> </ul>
<b>REACTIVATION OF ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT UNIT</b>	Request by Anaheim Fire and Rescue to reactivate an ALS unit to Fire Station 8 to better serve the community.	6/28/13	6/28/13	Approve the reactivation of an ALS unit by Anaheim Fire Department
<b>REDEPLOYMENT MODEL: COSTA MESA FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>	Costa Mesa Fire has requested approval to change the manner in which paramedics arrive on the scene of an incident. This change in methodology will ensure that quality and efficient services are maintained.	6/28/13	6/28/13	Approve the restructuring of the re-deployment model used by Costa Mesa Fire Department.
<b>MEMBER COMMENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jon Gilwee – Recognized and thanked Julie Wanstreet for her service on this Committee.</li> <li>• Chief Paul Henisey: Oral comments on IFT-ALS pilot.</li> <li>• Chief Knabe: Oral comments on IFT-ALS pilot.</li> <li>• Kenneth McFarland: Oral comments on hospital designation process. Commended OCEMS on their thorough reviews that help to keep the ERs well and orderly.</li> <li>• Mayor Brad Reese: Oral comments on IFT-ALS pilot.</li> <li>• Monica Ruzich: Oral comments on concerns expressed by Anaheim Fire on IFT-ALS pilot.</li> </ul>	6/28/13	6/28/13	