



# California LEMSAs QI Coordinators Committee

May 29, 2018 Meeting Minutes

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## Meeting Attendance:

- **Alameda County EMS Agency: Lee Siegel, Mike Jacobs**
- **Central California EMS Agency: Debbie Becker**
- Coastal Valleys EMS Agency:
- Contra Costa County EMS Agency:
- **El Dorado County EMS Agency: Aryon Neilsen**
- Inland Counties EMS Agency:
- **Imperial County EMS Agency: James Pintus**
- **Kern County EMS Agency: Margaret Mysz**
- **Los Angeles County EMS Agency: Susan Mori (Timekeeper)**
- Marin County EMS Agency:
- Merced County EMS Agency
- Monterey County EMS Agency:
- Mountain Valley EMS Agency:
- **Napa County EMS Agency: Shaun Vincent (Chair-Elect)**
- **North Coast EMS Agency: Louis Bruhnke**
- Northern California EMS Agency:
- **Orange County EMS Agency: Vickie Sweet**
- **Riverside County EMS Agency: Lisa Madrid (Chair)**
- **Sacramento County EMS Agency: Dave Magnino (EMSAAC Executive Chair), Dorothy Rodriguez**
- **San Benito County EMS Agency: Kris Mangano**
- **San Diego County EMS Agency: Susan Smith**
- **San Francisco County EMS Agency: Crystal Wright**
- San Joaquin County EMS Agency:
- **San Luis Obispo County EMS Agency: Douglas Brim**
- **San Mateo County EMS Agency: Linda Allington**
- Santa Barbara County EMS Agency:
- Santa Clara County EMS Agency:
- Santa Cruz County EMS Agency:
- **Sierra – Sacramento Valley EMS Agency: John Poland (Secretary)**
- Solano County EMS Agency:
- Tuolumne County EMS Agency:
- **Ventura County EMS Agency: Karen Beatty**
- **Yolo County EMS Agency: Landee Linn**
- **California EMS Authority: Adam Davis, Tom McGinnis**



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Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/ Comments
<b>1. Introductions, Roll Call</b>	Meeting called to order at 8:35 am. In person and telephone attendees introduced themselves.	Roll call of attendees
<b>2. Minutes</b>	Review and approve March 22, 2018 meeting minutes.	Minutes approved by consensus
<b>3. California Core Measures</b>	<p>Adam Davis provided an update on the 2017 California Core Measures project. Adam thanked those LEMSAs who have already submitted their data, and reminded the group that the 2017 California Core Measures data is due to EMSA by June 30, 2018. Adam also indicated that the 2017 core measures results would be blinded in the public report since this is the first year of the new measures.</p> <p>There was additional committee discussion requesting clarification of some of the inclusion data criteria for a few of the core measures. Adam indicated that he had already responded to previous LEMSAs questions and that anybody that had additional questions about the core measures requirements or criteria can contact him directly for assistance.</p>	EMSA informational update and committee discussion
<b>4. Committee Elections</b>	Shaun Vincent volunteered to be Committee Chair-Elect and Susan Mori volunteered to be Committee Timekeeper/Facilitator. There were no objections to these nominations. Committee appointments were confirmed.	Chair-Elect and Timekeeper/Facilitator appointments confirmed
<b>5. Committee Goals: Subcommittee Appointment</b>	<p>Lisa Madrid requested the appointment of a subcommittee to develop committee goals for the upcoming year (including the continued development of the CQI Best Practices Conference). The committee agreed with the appointment of a subcommittee, with the following individuals volunteering to participate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen Beatty – Ventura County EMS</li> <li>• Debbie Becker – Central California EMS</li> <li>• Lisa Madrid – Riverside County EMS</li> <li>• Susan Mori – Los Angeles County EMS</li> <li>• Shaun Vincent – Napa County EMS</li> </ul> <p>Lisa will contact the subcommittee members to coordinate a meeting schedule to work on these items.</p>	Lisa Madrid to coordinate subcommittee meeting schedule
<b>6. CQI Best Practices Conference</b>	This item was discussed along with agenda item 5. The subcommittee will continue to work on the development of this conference, tentatively scheduled for Spring 2019 in Los Angeles.	Subcommittee to work on conference development



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<p><b>7. APOT</b></p>	<p>Adam Davis provided an update on the statewide collection of APOT data from the LEMSAs. Adam advised that 16 LEMSAs have submitted APOT data for at least 1 quarter and that 9 LEMSAs submitted APOT data for the entire 2017 calendar year. Adam indicated that he expects these LEMSAs to continue to submit data and additional LEMSAs to start reporting data in the future.</p> <p>Adam advised that EMSA is working on an updated data submission spreadsheet which will be distributed to the LEMSAs when complete. He indicated that the content would be similar but the look/format would be different. Adam and Tom McGinnis advised that EMSA is currently analyzing the LEMSAs submitted APOT data and evaluating the best format/approach to report the data.</p> <p>Committee members discussed the various methods they were using to collect, validate and report this data as well as some of the challenges they were addressing to ensure that the data is as accurate as possible. The committee agreed that the continued/ongoing LEMSAs submission and reporting of this data was valuable.</p>	<p>EMSA information update &amp; committee discussion</p>
<p><b>8. QI Topics Roundtable</b></p>	<p>Linda Allington advised the committee that San Mateo County was in the process of hiring a new EMS operational liaison management position. The job posting, which closes on Friday, was previously sent to the committee and is posted on the San Mateo County EMS website.</p> <p>Louis Bruhnke and Aryon Neilsen discussed some of the challenges that their areas have been experiencing regarding interfacility transport patients and to what extent these patients fit into the EMS system. A lack of appropriate/adequate EMS transportation resources have been identified as a contributing factor to these challenges. This has resulted in some hospitals utilizing the 911 system for interfacility patient transports (sometimes inappropriately). Committee members discussed some of the actions they have taken in their area to mitigate these issues (policies, hospital education on EMS personnel scope of practice, etc.).</p>	<p>Committee discussion</p>



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	<p>Because of the multiple variables, the solutions may be different/unique to the specific area. It was agreed that this is likely to be a continuing/increasing issue.</p> <p>Vickie Sweet asked the committee about their implementation status of the additional EMT scope of practice items (epinephrine auto-injector, naloxone, glucometer utilization). LEMSAs have addressed this in various different manners. Some have maintained these as optional skills requiring LEMSAs approval and monitoring and some have not implemented them at all. Some LEMSAs have developed the training for these additional scope of practice items and some have deferred to the providers to develop the training. The committee agreed that whatever the local implementation process used, it is important that it be driven/coordinated by the LEMSAs.</p> <p>Mike Jacobs advised the committee that Alameda County EMS is collaborating with multiple other entities to host the inaugural Take Heart America 'State of the Future of Resuscitation Conference' at the Marriott Oakland City Center on September 28-29, 2018. This conference will consist of multiple experts in the science of cardiac arrest resuscitation from around the world. Conference information was distributed by Mike who encouraged committee members to attend if able.</p> <p>Dave Magnino provided the committee with the details of the 2019 Annual EMSAAC Conference to be held in the Yosemite area (Tenaya Lodge) on April 30 – May 1, 2019. The committee will need to discuss whether to hold the annual face-to-face meeting on April 29 or May 2. There was also additional discussion on whether there was a need for an additional face-to-face committee meeting in December 2018 (similar to last year), given that the 2019 EMSAAC Conference will be held a month earlier next year. This item will be discussed further during the next committee conference call meeting in July.</p> <p>The committee agreed to maintain the current meeting schedule (last Thursday of every other month) for the upcoming year. The next meeting (conference call) will be held July 26, 2018 from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm</p>	
<p><b>9. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am</p>	<p>Meeting Adjournment</p>