



CALIFORNIA LEMSA

CQI Coordinators Committee

Conference Call Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 15, 2016

Meeting Attendance:

John Poland, Chair, S-SV EMS
 Bruce Barton, EMSAAC Executive Chair, Riverside County EMS

Steve Brooks, Vice-Chair, Monterey County EMS
 Craig Stroup, Timekeeper/Facilitator, Contra Costa County EMS

EMSA – Adam Davis
 Los Angeles County EMS – Susan Mori
 North Coast EMS – Louis Bruhnke
 Sacramento County EMS – Veronica Kennedy
 San Luis Obispo County EMS – Kathy Collins
 Santa Clara County EMS – Chris Duncan
 S-SV EMS Agency – Michelle Moss
 Yolo County EMS – Brandon Rowley

Kern County EMS – Jeff Fariss
 Mountain Valley EMS – Lance Doyle
 Riverside County EMS – Lisa Madrid
 San Francisco County EMS – Crystal Wright
 Santa Barbara County EMS – Jennie Simon
 Santa Cruz County EMS – Brenda Brenner
 Ventura County EMS – Karen Beatty

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
1. General Meeting Information/ Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and Introductions • Review and approve previous meeting minutes (July 28, 2016) 	7/28/16 Minutes approved
2. Old Business/ Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMS QI Training (Stroup) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ October 6-7, 2016: EMSA, Rancho Cordova ○ November 17-18, 2016: LA Co. EMS, Santa Fe Springs 	Email Craig Stroup if interested

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will include information on the EQIP template. Plenty of hands-on opportunities. ○ Craig will provide an update on how the training went / was received at the next meeting. ● EDAG (Barton/Poland) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EMSA NEMSIS 3.4 Readiness Sessions scheduled for September 27, 2016 in Sacramento and September 29th in LA. There are approx. 50 attendees signed up to attend each one. ○ Mark Roberts from ICEMA EMS has convened a LEMSA NEMSIS 3.4 Transition Group so that LEMSAs can discuss and coordinate the transition to the new NEMSIS Version 3. Group met for the first time last week with additional meetings to come. Contact Mark Roberts if you want to be included on the group. ○ EMSA has a CEMSIS website with NEMSIS 3.4 transition updates that providers should be aware of (http://www.emsa.ca.gov/CEMSIS). The finalized documents on the website (provider impression lists, etc.) were developed by EMDAC and approved by the EDAG and EMSA. There is no intention to finalize any additional CEMSIS specific lists (indicated as “pending” on the website). The plan is to use the standard/recommended NEMSIS data sets for the remaining lists/data items. ○ Several entities are asking NEMSIS to delay the transition to Version 3, and continue to support Version 2 (other states, ePCR vendors, etc.). EMSA is opposed to any delay and has communicated that to the NEMSIS organization. ○ Short discussion regarding the new statute language that prevents a LEMSA from mandating providers use a certain ePCR system. None of the LEMSAs represented on the call have had any issues/pushback from their providers regarding this issue. ○ EMSA will have approx. \$1,200,000 available between now and the end of 2016 (likely in October or November) for purchasing of ePCR hardware (tablets, etc.). Although not finalized, the plan is to make this equipment available to 911 transport providers first, non-911 (IFT) transport providers second, and non-transport first responders last. EMSA will provide funding to the LEMSAs who would purchase equipment for their providers. More info to come. ● EMSA Core Measures Task Force (Mori/Stroup) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft 2015 EMSA Core Measures report was distributed on August 31, 2016. EMSA has already received feedback from some LEMSAs and has made appropriate revisions. ○ Some committee members have not seen the draft report. ○ Suggested that it would be a good idea for this committee to review the draft report and provide unified feedback/comments to EMSAAC/EDAG prior to the report being finalized. ○ EMSA is on a short timeline to finalize the report as they want the final version to be available for their upcoming NEMSIS 3.4 Sessions scheduled for the end of the month. ○ Adam Davis will inquire if the final version can be pushed back approx. 1 week and Bruce Barton will also discuss the same with Dr. Backer. 	<p>Updates and discussion. Will stay on agenda</p> <p>Subgroup will meet and produce a written comment document from the committee</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A subcommittee including John Poland, Veronica Kennedy, Jennie Simon, Louis Bruhnke, Jeff Fariss, Steve Brooks, Craig Stroup, Susan Mori and Lisa Madrid will meet this Monday by teleconference to develop a consolidated committee written response to the draft report. The written response will be provided to Bruce for EMSAAC/EDAG/EMSA consideration. ○ John will email a copy of the draft report to the committee today and request any committee comments be submitted no later than 12:00 pm on Monday (September 19, 2016). ○ Bruce suggested that this type of committee review of documents, regulations, etc. be conducted and that consolidated comments/feedback be provided to EMSAAC on a regular basis by the committee. Craig offered to develop a workflow on how this would occur. John will work with Craig on this. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Patient Safety Organizations (Mori) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Susan has been in contact with Lee Varner regarding a new EMS survey tool that they have developed to assess the current safety culture of an organization. The tool is very comprehensive and reasonably priced. Susan will work with Lee to schedule a short presentation during our next LEMSA QI Coordinators meeting. 	Susan to work with Lee Varner to schedule presentation
3. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Community Paramedicine Pilot Project Updates (Poland) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pilot project has been ongoing for the past year and has been extended for the next year. ○ California Healthcare Foundation has hired a communications firm to assist in getting the message about the Community Paramedic programs out to the public and the legislature. ○ EMSA Community Paramedicine Symposium is scheduled for September 22, 2016 in San Diego. The Eventbrite link apparently will no longer allow you to register for the symposium so members will need to contact Lou Meyer at EMSA if they are interested in attending. ● Committee Communication Methods (Poland) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Continue to experience problems with the Google Groups. Many people on that list are no longer with their LEMSAs and it is difficult to add new members. There are also IT issues with several members. John has confirmed that a LEMSA QI Coordinators specific listserv through EMSAAC is not possible due to IT issues. ○ A few different options were discussed. The committee agreed to look further into the GroupSpaces communication tool. John will work on adding members to the GroupSpaces platform and evaluate it as a replacement. ● 2016/2017 Meeting Calendar (Poland) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussed conflicts with the November 2016 meeting date and alternates dates. Committee agreed to re-schedule the November meeting to Thursday, December 8, 2016. John will finalize the meeting calendar for the next year and send it out to the committee. 	<p>Information only</p> <p>John to work on setting up GroupSpaces communication tool</p> <p>John to update and distribute meeting schedule through July</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMT Regulations Public Comment Period (Poland) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chapter 2 EMT regulations are currently out for public comment until September 27, 2016. Committee discussed some of the proposed changes (naloxone, epinephrine auto injector vs drawing up the medication for manual IM administration, elimination of the skills verification sheet, increased training hours). ○ Bruce re-iterated the need for this committee to review and provide consolidated comments/feedback on proposed new regulations. However, given the short timeline at this point it would probably not be feasible for these regulations. Committee members encouraged to provide public comments to EMSA during the public comment period. 	Committee members to provide individual public comments
4. Project Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QI Plan template revision (Bruhnke) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Contractor to develop a system so that LEMSAs can have their own access for their providers and address password creation/reset issues. ○ Tool will be introduced and discussed during the upcoming QI training classes for trial and evaluation. Additional feedback will be provided at the next meeting. • CQI Coordinators Conference (Stroup) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Craig has been preparing for the upcoming QI training classes and has not had time to focus on this item but it is still important. ○ More information/updates to come – will look at putting something together for early 2017. 	<p>Louis to continue development and evaluation</p> <p>Craig and group to continue work</p>
5. 2016-2017 Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue working relationship with EMSAAC, EMDAC and EMSA to provide subject expertise and consult on quality issues • Approve/issue standardized CQI plan template for providers and LEMSAs use • Provide a resource for standardized QI training to include basic and intermediate levels. • Foster “Just Culture” and promote a safe environment for EMS constituents in regards to CQI efforts • Develop and promote professional standards for EMS CQI professionals 	Reviewed
6. Open Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the ability to archive previous committee email discussions/interactions on items. This will allow members to review archived information. GroupSpaces tool may allow this. 	Evaluate the GroupSpaces tool
7. Next meeting	Teleconference: Thursday, December 8, 2016	
8. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 14:30	