



# EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE

## CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

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Wednesday, March 9, 2022  
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.  
Zoom Virtual Meeting  
Meeting ID: 850 9458 0807  
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### Agenda

- 4:00 p.m. 1. Introduction of Members and Guests
- 4:05 2. Approval of Minutes from December 8, 2021 meeting
- 4:07 3. Comments from the Public  
Members of the public may speak up to 3 minutes each on matters either on or not on this agenda.
- 4:10 4. Chair's Report  
James Lambert, EMCC Chair
- 4:15 5. Members' Reports
- 4:20 6. Fire Chiefs' Report  
Fire Executive Chief Representative
- 4:30 7. EMCC Legislative Report  
Emergency Nurses Association Representative
- 4:35 8. Staff Report: EMCC Membership and Attendance Update  
Rachel Morris, Contra Costa EMS Agency – Staff to EMCC
- 4:40 9. Quarterly Update on Alliance Ambulance Services  
Chief Terence Carey, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
- 4:50 10. EMS Medical Director's Report  
Senai Kidane, MD, Contra Costa EMS Medical Director
- 5:00 11. EMS Director's Report  
Marshall Bennett, Contra Costa EMS Director
- 5:25 12. Agenda Items for next meeting: June 8, 2022
- 5:30 13. Adjournment

\*(I)-Informational / \*(A)-Action

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### Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2021

Members Present Representing	
<p><b>Executive Committee:</b>  <b>Chair: James Lambert Hospital Council Bay Area Division</b>  <b>Vice Chair: Ellen Leng Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association</b>  <b>David Lilienstein Emergency Dept. Physicians (CC Receiving Hospital)</b></p> <p>Rea Anne Arcangel American Heart Association            Marshall Bennett EMS Agency Director            Archie Bowles District II            Terence Carey Contra Costa Fire Chiefs' Association            Jack Clapp Public Provider Field Paramedic            Joseph Drago Air Medical Transportation Provider            Joseph Gorton Public Managers' Association            Senai Kidane EMS Agency Medical Director            Jon King Police Chiefs' Association            Denise Pangelinan Communications Center Managers' Assoc.            CJ Price Emergency Nurses Association            Karin Schnaider District III            Jim Selover Ambulance Providers (CC Contract)            Jason Vorhauer Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff</p> <p><b>Members Absent Representing</b>  <b>Executive Committee:</b>  <b>Kacey Hansen Trauma Center (CC Contract)</b></p> <p>Angie Linsangan District V            Michael Lyons Private Provider Field Paramedic            Allan Tobias District IV</p>	<p><b>STAFF PRESENT</b>            Joanny All Contra Costa County EMS            Aaron Doyle Contra Costa County EMS            Ben Keizer Contra Costa County EMS            Rachel Morris Contra Costa County EMS</p> <p><b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>            Marcy Dixon John Muir Medical Center            Joe Greaves Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association            Ari Kestler John Muir Medical Center            Chad Newland American Medical Response            Rebecca Rozen Hospital Council of Northern and Central California</p>

**Committee Chair Lambert** called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

1.	<i>Introduction of Members and Guests</i>
2.	<i>Approval of Minutes from September 8, 2021 regular meeting and October 6, 2021 special meeting</i> Member King motioned to approve the minutes from the September 8, 2021 regular meeting and October 6, 2021 special meeting. Member Schnaider seconded; none opposed. Motion passed. September 2021 and October 2021 minutes are approved.
3.	<i>Comments from the Public</i> No Comments
4.	<i>Chair's Report</i> New EMCC Chair Lambert thanked the Committee for the opportunity to act as Committee Chair.
5.	<i>Members' Reports</i> No Report
6.	<i>Fire Chiefs' Report – Chief Terence Carey, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD)</i> On behalf of the Contra Costa County Fire Chiefs, Member Carey wished Happy Holidays to everyone with no other information to pass on at this meeting.
7.	<i>EMCC Legislative Update</i> No Report
8.	<i>Staff Report: EMCC Annual (Draft) Report Action: Review/Approve for Submission to the Board of Supervisors</i> The 2021 EMCC Annual Report draft was motioned to be approved. There was no discussion. Member Selover moved for the

	report to be accepted; seconded by Member King; none opposed. Motion passed. Annual EMCC draft report approved and will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors in January as a consent item.
9.	<p><i>Quarterly Update on Alliance Ambulance Services – Chief Terence Carey, Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Call volume continues to be above seasonal norms, currently at what can be considered flu volume, wintertime call volumes since approximately August. This presents challenges, but compliance requirements are still being met.</li> <li>-Working with the LEMSA to meet with PES after requests from Labor group representing Alliance employees on the ambulances to look at improved safety measures at the PES facility to ensure safety of those employees when bringing patients to the facility.</li> <li>-Ambulance Patient Offload Times (APOT) are at seemingly historical highs. The Alliance has been meeting with the LEMSA and Hospital Council and is anticipating a future meeting to continue discussions.</li> </ul>
10.	<p><i>EMS Medical Director's Report – Senai Kidane, MD, Contra Costa EMS Agency Medical Director</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Continue to support provider agencies as they complete 4<sup>th</sup> quarter training. The biggest update is the introduction of TXA, which will be rolled out on January 1, 2022.</li> <li>-Supporting Contra Costa County Fire Protection District and the Alliance in the development of their ET3 Program, specifically development of telehealth intervention that sign out against medical advice or fall under release at scene policy. This is seen as a customer service enhancement for the system. Will be tracking and trending AMA and release at scene numbers to make sure we are not incentivizing these pathways in lieu of transport to the hospital.</li> <li>-The four-prong approach to tackling the opioid epidemic, specifically the novel Buprenorphine in the field trial that reached the one-year anniversary mark in September, saw over 30 administrations of the medication over the one-year period. Will update the State EMS Authority soon as part of the requirement for the program. The program has been gaining recognition throughout the state and nationally with many counties trying to emulate what has been achieved in Contra Costa County.</li> <li>-Supporting San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District's new mental health pilot project and are planning on attending upcoming trainings they have developed for their field providers.</li> </ul>
11.	<p><i>EMS Director's Report – Marshall Bennett, Contra Costa EMS Agency Director</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For the ambulance ordinance item, it is on its final pass through with County Counsel before it will go to the Board of Supervisors. All items discussed on the October 6 special meeting will be included except for one item deemed redundant to other material already in the draft. County Counsel is making some minor changes to the language and added one definition that is not substantive to the ordinance. There is no current timeline regarding presenting it to the Board of Supervisors, but optimistic it will be before 2023. Once County Counsel has completed their review and sent the document back to the LEMSA, staff Morris will send it to the Committee.</li> <li>- For Kaiser work action occurring in mid-November, member Bennett shared an overview and some lessons learned. The LEMSA had met with Kaiser leadership and individual facilities prior to the work action. An administrative bulletin (AB) was sent out to all stakeholders and hospital leadership prior to the work action to inform of potential impacts, and to inform of the commitment from each Kaiser facility to monitor their capabilities in real time and update their status, as appropriate. The LEMSA used ReddiNet platform and pulled data from a three-day period during the work action and compared it to a three-day period with similar call volume two weeks apart (all 911 volume included – only). It was suggested to add in non-911 volume. The LEMSA is also looking to see if wording of "CT divert" needs to be changed in any way, potentially to "stroke divert". Member Leng recommended in discussion that we add a separate "stroke divert" rather than changing the current "CT divert" to stroke divert. The LEMSA did not receive any engagement on the AB; seems that it may have been not received or overlooked by some facilities based on questions received during the strike. If a similar situation occurs in the future, would reach out to the Base Hospital, and then to facilities directly, as appropriate.</li> </ul>
12.	<p><i>Proposed agenda item(s) for March 9, 2022</i></p> <p>No items.</p>
13.	<i>Adjournment at 4:34 pm</i>

EMCC Attendance 2020-2022

Seats	EMCC Members	12/9/2020	3/10/2021	6/9/2021	9/8/2021	10/6/2021*	12/8/2021	3/9/2022	6/8/2022	9/14/2022
<b>B 1</b> Alameda Contra Costa Medical Association	Ellen Leng	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>B 2</b> American Heart Association	Rae Anne Arcangel	Present	Absent	Absent	Present	Present	Present			
<b>B 3</b> American Red Cross	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
<b>B 4</b> California Highway Patrol	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
<b>B 5</b> Communications Center Managers' Association	Denise Pangelinan	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Absent	Present			
<b>B 6</b> Contra Costa Fire Chiefs' Association	Terence Carey	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>B 7</b> Contra Costa Police Chiefs' Association	Jon King	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present			
<b>B 8</b> Emergency Nurses Association	CJ Price	Present	Absent	Present	Absent	Absent	Present			
<b>B 9</b> Hospital Council, Bay Area Division	James Lambert	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present			
<b>B 10</b> Public Managers' Association	Joseph Gorton	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present			
<b>B 11</b> Trauma Center (Contra Costa Contract)	Kacey Hansen	Absent	Absent	Absent	Present	Absent	Absent			
<b>B 12</b> Contra Costa Office of the Sheriff	Jason Vorhauer	Present	Present	Absent	Absent	Present	Present			
<b>B 13</b> Contra Costa Health Services - Behavioral Health	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
<b>C 1</b> Ambulance Providers (Contra Costa 9-1-1 Service Contract)	Jim Selover	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>C 2</b> Air Medical Transportation Provider (Contra Costa Authorized)	Joseph Drago	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Absent	Present			
<b>C 3</b> EMS Training Institution	Vacant (Prev. Cameron Metzger)	Present	Present	Present	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
<b>C 4</b> Private Provider Field Paramedic	Michael Lyons	Absent	Present	Absent	Absent	Present	Absent			
<b>C 5</b> Public Provider Field Paramedic	Jack Clapp	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>C 6</b> Emergency Department Physicians	David Lilienstein	Present	Absent	Absent	Present	Present	Present			
<b>District I (Gioia)</b>	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant			
<b>District II (Andersen)</b>	Archie Bowles	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>District III (Burgis)</b>	Karin Schnaider	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>District IV (Mitchoff)</b>	Allan Tobias	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent			
<b>District V (Glover)</b>	Angie Linsangan	Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	Present	Absent	Absent			
<b>E 1</b> Ex Officio	Marshall Bennett	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present			
<b>E 2</b> Ex Officio	Senai Kidane	Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present			
	Quorum									

\*Special Meeting

Advisory Body + Brown Act done

Meeting Attendance Requirements per the Bylaws:

- A. EMCC members shall attend EMCC meetings.
- B. A member who cannot attend a meeting must notify the Chair and may have one excused absence in a twelve month period.
- C. Whenever a member does not attend two regularly scheduled meetings, within a rolling twelve month period, complete their Brown Act requirements or fails to meet the criteria for sitting on the advisory body the EMS Agency shall notify the nominating agency/organization of the absences and request appropriate action.
- D. Members must complete the required Ethics and Brown Act training provided by the County within three months of appointment and submit the "Training Certification for Member of County Advisory Body" form to EMS staff prior to participating at any meeting.
- E. Members who do not complete the Ethics and Brown Act training within 3 months may not further participate until the requirement is fulfilled.
- F. Ethics and Brown Act training is recommended to be completed every two years while serving on a County Advisory Committee.