

EMCC MEETING MINUTES August 8, 2014  
Lakeport Fire District-445 N. Main St. Lakeport

1. Meeting called to order at 11:20
2. Outstanding minutes of the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved with minor changes
3. North Coast EMS report: Louis Bruhnke.
  - A. NCEMS hired Keith Taylor for the Cultural Liaison position. He has an extensive history of cultural sensitivity training.
  - B. There are many new policies coming out via infomail.
  - C. State Trauma Plan: NCEMS comments are forthcoming, especially about the disaster part. Louis will comment about the state disaster exercise to include a large pediatric component.
  - D. The first MAC North meeting was held last month (includes Del Norte). The meeting was well attended. The next meeting will be near the end of September.
  - E. EMS for Children training was successful.
  - F. Pediatric IFT guidelines (regs) seem to be lacking & need updating per Louis.
  - G. CQI plan revision templates are in the works for the LEMSA's. Data needs to support the QI. Louis is part of a group working on this project.
  - H. The Community Paramedic Program is being looked at by the state. There are 12 pilot projects to be considered (already determined), with increased scope of practice for paramedics considering pts' not transported to the ED's, but to other facilities. There is considerable resistance from ED Physician & Nurse groups. There are lots of issues to consider before implementation, but this seems to be the trend.
  - I. Health Information Exchange Summit held last November: Health information is not easily exchanged now. A new program will hopefully make this easier for providers. Louis is part of this program & Lake may be part of the pilot program. Funding & support is needed for this program.
4. Subcommittee Reports:
  - A. Medical advisory: There was a TAC meeting after the last EMCC meeting.
  - B. Education: Blood products transfusion monitoring training Sept. 9, 10:00-14:00. Hep/Nitro infusion refresher training Sept. 17, 10:00-14:00.

Emergency OPS training Sept. 10, by Lake Co OES. REACH Pediatric training Sept 19, in Santa Rosa. REACH on Tour in Lake Co August 27.

- C.
  - 1. Disaster: Drought preparedness. Several water systems are already having problems. The task force meets every three weeks preparing ahead, they are pushing conservation, creating awareness to the community. State Water Resources Board has come out with restrictions that will result in fines for non-compliance of the regulations.
  - 2. The Grant application is complete. Funds are available for training.
  - 3. Great Shake Out: A county level drill is planned.
  - 4. EOC: Property is to be acquired for a building/facility.
  
- D. Radio Communications: Seigler repeater problems lately, they are working on the repeaters.  
Quakenbush agreement: No information yet  
Cal Pine repeater also has problems.  
Rob Brown the county disaster chair is very interested in radio/communications.
  
- E. Publicity/Funding: No current issues.
- F. Bylaws: No current issues.
- G. Membership: No membership changes.
- H. Policy Review: No report.
- I. Ambulance Review: Jim Dowdy reported there was continuing discussion regarding behavioral health transports & placement. Also, Kristi Kelley has resigned as the director of the County Mental Health Dept.  
There is going to be trauma training @ SLH in the near future. Date to come. Planning for the Health Fair is moving forward. Child/infant car seat training is going to be soon. There is now a 30 minute rule for IFT crew stand by at the transferring facility. If the Transfer is not ready within 30 minutes of arrival of the crew they will be released to return to quarters & be available for another call.

## 5. Old Business

- A. SHH-Clearlake landing pad issue: 1<sup>st</sup>. Phase has been completed & they are moving forward with completing the project.
- B. SHH-Clearlake construction & remodeling: They are projecting completion for some time in November 2014.
- C. GEMT/AB 678 (Ground Emergency Medical Transport): Lake County Fire District has now received some funds. The First Responder Bill (AB 2577) (provider billing) is now being worked on.
- D. Mercy Air/Air Methods: Mercy Air is waiting for a Base Hospital Agreement with Sutter Health.
- E. Discussion over implementation of blood transfusion during IFT's program. Need NCEMS approval & discussion.

- F. Fentanyl Training: Added to the scope of practice. Needs LEMSA approval, but approved by NCEMS. Training by providers/PCNC.

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- A. SLH received a grant for sexual assault exam tele-nursing partners for sexual assault exams.
- B. REACH is opening 2 new Northern California Bases: Willits(REACH-18) is to be opened in November 2014 & Sacramento(REACH-17) is opening in December 2014.

Meeting adjourned @ 12:30 hrs.

Next meeting October 15, 2014 11:00 hrs. @ Lake Co Fire Dept.- Olympic Drive in Clearlake