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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PREHOSPITAL CARE OF BEHAVIORAL EMERGENCIES

AGENDA

January 19, 2016

1:00 pm until 3:00 pm

EMS Commission Conference Room

Located on the First Floor

EMS Agency Headquarters

10100 Pioneer Boulevard

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This Ad Hoc Committee of the Commission is open to the public. You may address the Committee on any agenda item before or during consideration of that item, and on other items of interest, which are not on the agenda, but which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. Public comment is limited to three (3) minutes and may be extended by the Chair, as time permits.

NOTE: Please **SIGN IN** if you would like to address the Committee.

1. Welcome and Self-Introductions
2. Review and Approval of Minutes of the November 30, 2015 meeting
3. Review of revised Ad Hoc Committee Goal(s)
4. Flow chart of prehospital response to Mental Health/Substance Abuse calls
5. Map of LPS Designated Facilities in Los Angeles County
6. Education Program for Law – Curriculum Review
7. Sobering Center Update
8. Next Meeting -



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November 30, 2015

See sign-in sheet for attendance

CALL TO ORDER: Clayton Kazan, M.D. called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. Self-introductions were done.

Dr. Kazan asked that Frank Binch provide the historical perspective that led to this committee being formed and approved by the EMS Commission. Below is a summary of Mr. Binch's comments:

Seven years ago, Andres Ramirez the Peace Officers Association of Los Angeles County representative to the EMS Commission brought up a concern regarding the transportation of 5150 detainees and felt that there was a better way to transport the detained person instead of in the back of a police vehicle. A workgroup was formed and made recommendations regarding transport of 5150 detainees. Supervisor Don Knabe became interested in this issue based on the workgroups recommendations and made a Board Motion on the larger issue of behavioral emergencies. The County then put together a "Blue Ribbon Committee" chaired by the Director of the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee and a final report was never completed. Now with the Affordable Care Act and parity of coverage for mental health care we are at a point where we can make an impact.

AD HOC COMMITTEE GOALS: Dr. Kazan stated that he has been giving thought to the prehospital care of behavioral emergencies and it involves a very diverse group from law enforcement, EMS, hospitals, mental health, public health and even intersects with the District Attorney and the group working on jail diversion. Can we simplify and standardize a process for prehospital care. A list of potential/suggested goals for the Committee was distributed and the group went through this list dissecting the goals and determining what actions, if any, this committee could take. As part of the discussion it was determined that behavioral emergency didn't have a clear definition and therefore it was suggested that we use the term Mental Health and/or Substance Abuse problems.

Action Items: 1.) Revise/refine goals based on the meeting discussion and bring back to the group for finalization. 2.) Categorized goals as short-term and long-term. 3) Draft a flow chart to be presented at the next meeting to provide structure to the response using four categories of response (combative vs non-combative and those with or without associated medical problems). 4) Map the LPS designated facilities in Los Angeles County and share this map with committee at next meeting. 5) Invite representatives from health plans (LA Care and Health Net) to participate on this committee.

Adjournment

The Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Kazan at 3:00 p.m. The next meeting will be scheduled for January 2016. A meeting doodle will be sent out to determine everyone's availability and the specific date and time of the meeting.

Next Meeting: TBD – January 2016
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