



EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
SERVICES PROGRAM

# County of Santa Cruz

## HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY

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## MINUTES EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

<b><u>DATE:</u></b>	<b>October 21, 2019</b>	<b><u>TIME:</u></b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>
<b><u>PLACE:</u></b>	Watsonville Community Hospital, 75 Nielson St., Watsonville, Sequoia Room		

### **ITEM:**

1. Call to Order/Establish Quorum, Review/Correct Agenda, Minutes– [8:30 am] – September minutes approved.
2. Written Correspondence Report – None
3. Oral Communications – Celia Barry - Wine and Roses for Pajaro Valley Community Health Trust charity event on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at the Fairgrounds. Marc Yellin – Telecare has been closed more often, impacting the Emergency Department.
4. EMS Administrator Report – Ambulance contract continuing. AMR is entering late calls into Firstwatch, First watch to be requested to track level 0 or level negative (ambulances available). Will look at data for trends. Health Information Exchange grant - waiting for federal government to approve delivery of funds for project to state. Offer for Innovator position expected at the end of the year. Position will be paid by AMR and will focus on frequent users and EMS innovations.
5. Prehospital Advisory Committee – Making changes to the patient care record system to identify areas where improvements can be made.
6. SART Update with Sheriff's Department – program has not started at Dominican.
7. Watsonville Hospital Purchase Update – Defer to next meeting.
8. ET3 – Alternate destination pilot to reimburse ambulance for patient visits that do not result in transport to the emergency department. Medicare is the payor. AMR and Dignity working on this project.
9. AMR/EMSIA Agreement - Anticipate approval by the EMSIA this week.
10. PG&E Power Shutoff Event – First publicized planned power shutoff occurred a week and a half ago. The PG&E resource center was well-provisioned and had wifi and power available. More than 100 people used the center over the two day period. In the future PG&E should have a second center in the San Lorenzo Valley.
11. Invitation to Gail Newel – Defer to next meeting.
12. Statewide Exercise – November 13<sup>th</sup> – hospitals involved, healthcare coalition members
13. Kaiser Update – Defer to next meeting.
14. Items for December Agenda – Watsonville Hospital Purchase Update, ET3, Invitation to Gail Newel, Kaiser, Statewide Exercise, SART, PG&E update
15. Adjournment – Next meeting December 9, 8:30am at Aptos/La Selva Fire Department.

Commissioners in attendance:

Celia Barry	Marcus Kwan, MD	Kent Benedict, MD
Chris Johnston, RN	Marc Yellin, MD	Ian Larkin
Robyn McIntyre	Dan Quinto	Craig Kunzler
Eric Conrad, RN		

Commissioners excused:

Michael McGannon, MD	Chris Jones	Arnold Leff, MD
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County Staff:

Brenda Brenner  
Mimi Hall, Director of HSA  
Marcus Pimentel, Assistant Director of HSA  
Dave Ghilarducci

Guests:

Scott Vahradian, EMSIA	Jeff Horner, Calstar
Michael Baulch, LifeFlight	Brad Cramer, AMR
Paul Angelo, Dominican	
Gianna Marinshaw, Central Coast Ambulance	