

**MINUTES
NEVADA COUNTY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, March 10, 2021**

Notice is now given that a regular meeting of the Nevada County Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) has been called and will be held on **Wednesday, June 23, 2021** from **10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** through “Zoom.”

“The purpose of the EMCC is to act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors and the Sierra-Sacramento Valley Medical Services Agency on all matters relating to ambulance services, emergency medical care, and first aid practices in Nevada County”

- 1) Call to Order and Roll Call – Chairman
Clayton Thomas (Chair) – Penn Valley Fire District
Kim Blix – Nevada County Public Health
Dr. Kellerman – Nevada County Public Health
Laura Brown – Truckee Fire
Joe Matteoni – Grass Valley Police Department
Paul Cummings – Nevada County Office of Emergency Services
Branden Wilson – Unincorporated Non-Transporting BLS Provider
John Poland - EMS
Dot Mitchell – Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital
Annette LeFrancois – Nevada County Health and Human Services Agency

- 2) Introductions and Review Membership Roster– Self introductions were made. East County ALS Alternate is listed as Rod Brock. Chief Brown will find a replacement for Rod. Kaitlyn Steverman is no longer representing Tahoe Forest Hospital. Clayton mentioned if you are no longer going to be on the EMCC you need to find a replacement. To be a EMCC member the Board Commission application needs to be completed and can be done online at:
<https://www.mynevadacounty.com/882/Committees-Commissions> .

- 3) Approval of March 10, 2021 Minutes.
There were no changes or corrections. A motion was made by Chief Brown to approve the March 10th minutes. The motion was seconded by Dot Mitchell. All members present were in favor.

- 4) Discussion on Annual Report to the County Board of Supervisors – Clayton Thomas. The Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors was emailed to members prior to today’s meeting. Clayton Thomas asked if there were any changes, suggested changes or objections to the report. Clayton will work with Jill Blake to get the report on the Board of Supervisors agenda. It will most likely be scheduled for late July. Clayton asked if anyone has any changes or additions to the Annual Report to email them to him A.S.A.P.

Laura Brown asked about continued PPE usage, what other agencies are doing, if you are using the June 17th guidance, and are you distinguishing vaccinated people when you go on calls. Laura Brown mentioned beginning July 1st around the station if you are vaccinated there are no mask requirements, those not vaccinated are required to wear a mask, on 911 calls when staff are with a patient masks are worn and masks are required in healthcare facilities.

Dot mentioned SNMH Ambulance staff wear a mask at all times as they are considered a Department of the Hospital.

Paul Cummings mentioned on page 7 under Large Fire Response last year congregate sheltering changed due to COVID and people were put up in hotels. Even though COVID is ramping down as more people are vaccinated, Public Health and Social Services in working with the Red Cross and CDSS have decided to continue the non-congregate model for fire evacuation for the public. They will still try to put people in hotels to avoid congregate settings if it is a large fire. If it is a larger fire, there will be congregate shelters but with less density and Public Health/Red Cross protocols in place (masks etc.).

- 5) Displaced Populations – Clayton Thomas.
There were no updates.

- 6) Tactical Active Shooter – Joe Matteoni.
The Active Shooter Training has been on hold due to COVID. Joe Matteoni mentioned that Jason Perry maybe working on a training for Nevada County. Joe mentioned that Grass Valley Police are more focused on riot and crowd control training now. Chief Brown mentioned they had an in-house training last week with Truckee PD.

Clayton mentioned a Police Officer was killed in Arvada Colorado after responding to a call regarding someone behaving erratically.

- 7) COVID-19 Update – Dr. Kellerman.
In Nevada County there have been 95,000 vaccine doses (Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson) given. This is 61.8% either partially or fully immunized. The State average is 67%. The Whispering Pines Vaccine Clinic was giving around 300 immunizations per day, currently it is about 50 per day. The Whispering Pines Clinic will end at the end of July. The Dokimos Clinic will end in a week. There are several pharmacies and medical clinics that will still be giving immunizations. A vaccine booster is in clinical trials to see how well it protects.

After six days without any COVID cases, Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital now has 5 cases in people who were not immunized.

- 8) Old Business
Dot Mitchell mentioned in the past year there was hardly any flu. Clayton mentioned there was no camp crud this year in the fire camps.
- 9) New Business
Dot Mitchell mentioned a change in leadership at Sierra Nevada Ambulance. Jason Swann from Redding is the Interim Director. His email is:
Jason.swann@commonspirit.org .
- 10) Next Committee Meeting – Will be in-person on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Public Health Department in the Crown Point Conference Room. There will be a virtual option via Teams.
- 11) Adjournment at 11:30 a.m.