

Placer County Alternative Care Site &
Healthcare System Surge

Steering Committee

September 17, 2007 – 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency
5995 Pacific Street, Rocklin

Meeting Summary

Attendance:

Debbie Aspling, Kaiser Roseville Hospital (by conference call)
Pat Brady, Sutter Roseville Medical Center
Doug Buchanan, ACS Coordinator
Richard Burton MD, Placer County Health Officer
Darla Clark, Chapa-de Indian Health Program
Lisa Davies, Chapa-de Indian Health Program
Mitch Hanna, Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital
Shawn Joyce, Sierra-Sacramento EMS Agency
Pat Orme, Placer County Health & Human Services

Welcome/Introductions

Shawn Joyce welcomed everyone. Self- introductions were conducted. Shawn explained that Vickie Pinette was unable to attend due to illness, and introduced Doug Buchanan as the ACS Coordinator hired to develop the Healthcare Surge and ACS Plans for Placer County. Shawn also explained the role of the ACS/Surge Project Advisory Committee that is comprised of representatives from each of the local hospitals, AMR, Public Health, and the EMS Agency.

Overview of the Healthcare Surge/ACS Project

Doug Buchanan reviewed the handouts and presented a PowerPoint overview of the Healthcare Surge/ACS Project.

Review/discuss the Community Surge Plan

Doug presented a diagram of the four levels of Community Surge and explained the triggers and definitions of each level. He also shared that much of the definitions and language was extracted from the state Surge Guidance that was developed through the PriceWaterhouseCooper (PWC) project completed in July of this year.

Review/discuss the Hospital Surge Template

Doug explained the need to ensure integration between the hospital internal surge plans and the community's surge plan. He briefly explained the hospital response to each of the four levels of surge. Pat Brady shared that he had been briefed by Barbara Todd as to the work of the Advisory Committee and asked if any coordination was in place with CHA. Doctor Burton explained that CHA was a major participant in the PWC project for the state. Doug and Shawn also shared that CHA had hired a regional Surge Coordinator, Dan Stratman, who had been tasked to work with hospital surge planners throughout the OES region.

Review/discuss the draft Healthcare MOU

Doug shared that the draft Healthcare MOU was based upon similar MOUs in Sacramento and Stanislaus County. He further explained that this type of MOU would become an integral part of the future planning for Alternate Care Sites (ACS). Pat Orme asked about the legal protections for a government-activated ACS. Doug shared that there are regulations that provide medical malpractice protections specifically for a “government-activated” ACS versus hospital-activated. Doug also shared that the Advisory Committee has not yet begun working on this phase of the project, but had been focusing on completing the Community Surge and Hospital Surge template of phase one. The Project Steering Committee is comprised of facility administrators in order to provide overall direction to the Advisory Committee and ensure that the project goals and activities are consistent with the expectations of the Steering Committee.

Next Meetings:

Doug will work with SSV EMS Agency to establish dates/times for future Steering Committee meetings for approximately every 2 months between now and February 2008.

Tentative Dates & Objectives

- November
 - Review/discuss final Healthcare MOU
 - Review/discuss ACS Activation, Staffing, Supply
- January
 - Review/discuss effectiveness of Surge / ACS Plans