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Hospital Diversion Committee

May 22, 2015; 01:00pm

Chair: Mr. John C. Duval, CEO, VCU Health System
ODEMSA CONFERENCE AND EDUCATION CENTER

Attendance: John Duval, Robin Manke, Mike Ortega, Brian Epperson, Jane LaVerne, Gray Corbett, Mike Magner, Allen Yee, Chip Decker, Wayne Harbour, Bryan McRay, Christopher Lindsay, Andrew Slater, Kelly Grindstaff

Via Teleconference: **line not working**

ODEMSA Staff: Rachel Dillon, Damien Coy

Materials Distributed: Agenda, previous minutes, 2015 Diversion Plan draft, committee policies and procedures draft

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Call to Order	Mr. Duval calls the meeting to order at 13:05. Introductions are made, but there is no quorum at this time.	
Reports	<p>VCU</p> <p>Robin Manke – We have finished an application for an Ebola grant. The ED has been busy and has been doing some training for VHASS. Jane LaVerne – This week has been busy with EMS week.</p> <p>Central Virginia Healthcare Coalition</p> <p>Gray Corbett – We are winding down on our FY15 budget, and have just replaced some PPE and chemical suits that had expired. There have been three new staff members hired in the last six months. We have purchased 5 new PAPR systems for each hospital.</p> <p>At this time, Kelly Grindstaff joins the group and we now have a quorum. The February minutes are reviewed and unanimously approved.</p>	



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Bon Secours	Michael Ortega – Cam Crittenden left in March, and I I have taken over some of her responsibilities.	
Sentara Halifax	Brian Epperson – We had a power failure, during which our generator worked properly, but we then ended up with small particles dropping out of the HVAC system. We have since been able to fix it.	
RAA	Chip Decker – Thank you to all the hospitals for everything during EMS week. Business is good, and we are participating in the plasma study with Henrico Fire. We have had a few issues with diversions lately.	
Chesterfield Fire & EMS	Allen Yee – Thank you for all the EMS week activities. We have had an increased call volume overall and sporadic issues with diversion.	
ODEMSA	Damien Coy – We also thank everyone for the EMS week activities. Our regional EMS awards are still open for nominations through June 5 at 05:00pm, and our annual awards picnic will be held on July 25 at the Metro Richmond Zoo.	
VDH	<p>Mike Magner – Ebola is still on the mind of the VDH, and we still ask all agencies to continue screening for Ebola. In the central region of the state, Chesterfield Fire & EMS and Henrico County Division of Fire have volunteered to transport Ebola patients, but protocols and other guidelines still need to be worked out. We are also making sure we know where the chemical antidotes are located throughout the region in case an event occurs, such as during the bike race.</p> <p>Mr. Duval adds that VCU had a successful visit from the Governor and his senior staff to the unique pathogen unit. Though it has been addressed internally, there is still an issue in transporting the biohazard waste.</p>	
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<p>Status of WebEOC changes</p>	<p>Andrew Slater talks about the preparedness academy that was hosted by VDH the previous week, which included some changes in the WebEOC that will be phased in over several months starting July 1. There will also be an upgrade to the decision making awareness part.</p>	
<p>Psych Diversions</p>	<p>Robin summarizes the discussion from the previous meeting on the regional psych diversions. Mike adds that the governor has a workgroup studying the psychiatric diversions across the state and country, but he has not heard any additional information about it. Kelly adds that the Tucker expansion will be completed mid-June, and that Chippenham will also a 12-bed holding unit on the first floor. Mr. Duval adds that VCU has broken ground on the VTCC to help with some of the pediatric and adolescent psych diversions. John Randolph will be going from 24 to 40 beds around June 1. Chip Decker adds that this came up at the state EMS advisory board, and the northern facilities have almost no capacity, and tend to send their patients to the Richmond or Tidewater areas.</p>	
<p>Regional Diversion Plan Update</p>	<p>Rachel summarizes the changes, which were mostly the contact info updates that were addressed last quarter and a few facility ability changes. The document also was updated with the 2014 ED volumes. The group has no additional changes or discussion, and the document is unanimously accepted.</p>	<p>Motion by: Allen Yee Seconded by: Brian McRay Vote: Diversion Plan accepted</p>
<p>New Business Committee Bylaw Review</p>	<p>.</p> <p>The discussion then moves to the committee bylaw review. While these were sent out prior to the meeting, Robin explains to the group know that they do not need to be voted on today. Rachel clarifies that the quorum is supposed to be 8, as it was in the emailed version, but made a mistake prior to printing it this morning, and it was printed with a quorum of 5. Mr. Duval also wants to make sure that CMH is deleted</p>	



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Business from the floor	<p>from the list of voting members, as it is under VCU and not a separate vote. There is no further discussion, and Mr. Duval asks that the document be reissued with the above corrections.</p> <p>There is no further business from the floor.</p>	
Next Meeting	August 28, 2015 at 01:00pm	
Adjourn	Mr. Duval adjourned at 1:36 p.m.	