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**Hospital Diversion Committee**

July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021: 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Chair: Mr. Zachary McCluskey, Johnston Willis

**Members and Guests Present:** N/A

**Conference Line:** Jordan Rennie, Steve Parrott, Allen Yee, Karen Lea, Chris Wholley, Tina Kirshenbaum, Craig Bride, Summer Lynch, Cary Strosnider, Brandon Mencini, Joanne Cooke, Mike Watkins, Al Thompson, DJ Johnston, Ken Smith, Greg Neiman, Lisa Baber, Chip Decker, Michal Colman, Elizabeth Matish, Ron Passmore, Umaron Chaudry, David Seay, Stephen Chandler, Zach McCluskey, Monty Dixon, HD, Mike Harmon, Allison Castillio, Joann Lapetina, Justin Adams

**ODEMSA Staff:** Tarsha Robinson, Heidi Hooker, Kathy Eubank, Jessica Goodman, Tiffany Almeida

**Minutes Scribed by:** Tarsha Robinson

**Materials provided:** Previous meeting Minutes, meeting Agenda

<b>Topic/Subject</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person</b>
<b>Meeting Called to Order</b>	Meeting called to order by Zach McCluskey. Quorum present. Minutes and Agenda were approved and introductions made.	<b>Motion by:</b> Craig Bride <b>Seconded by:</b> Multiple <b>Vote:</b> Approve previous minutes.
<b>Reports:</b> <u>Hospital Reports</u>  Bon Secours  HCA	Continuing to work on length of stay and throughput issues; working on solutions to get patients off of EMS stretchers as fast as possible  Working on managing the amount of time spent on diversion; recruiting across the board for all staff; continuously working on trauma program, and completed their burn survey; completed updates to ultrasounds/MRI for treatment of Parkinson's; monitoring and preparing for an uptick of COVID	



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VCU Health	Recruiting for all staff; looking at ways to maximize capacity; looking at decreasing length of stays which is/should help with EMS throughput	
VA-McGuire	Experiencing high capacity	
<u>EMS Agencies</u>		
New Kent	No report	
Goochland	Onboarding new personnel; hiring process will be opening soon	
Hanover	Recruit school started this week; paramedic program begins in august; thank you again for your support for Chief Phipps, there is a visitation this weekend	
RAA	Working on staffing; 10 people start this coming Monday No report	
Henrico	Getting ready to graduate their paramedic program; clinicals will be opening up for non-Henrico providers; seeing employees who have been vaccinated getting COVID	
Chesterfield	LODD-Recruit Eldridge thank you so much for your support; graduated a recruit school early July and onboarding another recruit school	
CVHC/RHCC	No report	
<u>ODEMSA</u>	Thank you to all who submitted nominations for the Regional awards; please be on the lookout for the awards presentations	



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<p><b>Old Business:</b></p> <p><u>Diversion Plan Review</u></p>	<p>There was continued discussion on the Diversion plan going back to last quarter's discussion in the changes in definition, tier statuses, and Code Red/Code Black status on who needs to call and when; the discussion on the current plan has been tabled so that a more cohesive document could be worked on; RAA-there was a discussion regarding regional patient distribution during Code Black, and RAA monitoring the regional hospitals to help the PDC determine distribution; due to their staffing concerns and extra time it would take to help monitor the entire region, at this time this is not something they are able to do, but thanks all of the facilities and agencies for their hard work and communication while the region works through the current diversion situation</p>	<p><b>Motion:</b> Allen Yee  <b>Second:</b> Mike Watkins  <b>Vote:</b> Continue discussion on current Diversion Plan</p>
<p><b>New Business:</b></p> <p><u>Recent Diversions</u></p>		
<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p>	<p>October 29th, 2021</p>	
<p><b>Adjourn</b></p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 13:11 pm</p>	