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Hospital Diversion Committee

January 27th, 2023: 12:00pm to 1:00pm
Chair: Tim McKay, Chesterfield Fire Dept

Members and Guests Present: Tim McKay, Steve Parrott, Jessica Goodman, Bobby Lukhard, Kari Magner, Sam Burnette

Conference Line: Karen Lea, Ken Smith, Brian Lanham, Chris Rockefeller, Umaman Choudry, Diana Jewett, Greg Neiman, Beth Matish, Casey Shinault, Mike Harmon, Lisa Baber, Drew Walker, Amy Howard, Craig Bride, Jen Early, Travis Jenkins, Harinder Dhindsa

ODEMSA Staff: Tarsha Robinson, Ryan Scarbrough

Minutes Scribed by: Tarsha Robinson

Materials provided: Previous meeting Minutes, meeting Agenda

Topic/Subject		Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Meeting Called to Order	Meeting called to order by Tim Mckay. Quorum present.	Motion by: Steve Parrott Seconded by: Multiple Vote: Agenda and previous meeting minutes approved
Reports: <u>VCU</u> <u>HCA</u> <u>McGuire VA</u> <u>Bon Secours</u>	No report Transfer volume continues to be high; continuing to try to manage ED holds; looking for staffing contracts to be completed to help with staffing Hospital continues to stay at full capacity, which equals to no beds; nursing hiring event was held a couple of months ago, and is hoping it will help to improve patient/ED holds Construction continuing at both MRMC and SFMC; MRMC states though some beds	



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<p><u>CVHC</u></p> <p><u>Hanover Fire</u></p> <p><u>Chesterfield Fire</u></p> <p><u>New Kent Fire</u></p> <p><u>ODEMSA</u></p>	<p>have opened, all 44 new beds should be open by May; with the beds that have opened, it has helped with patient holds/EMS wall times; SMH still struggling with holding patients but have also been getting a lot of transfers; continuing to work with agencies to move providers through the ER</p> <p>Continuing to monitor VHAAS; thank you to the facilities who have been putting in and updating information; noticed there are a couple of facilities who state are on “diversion” and reminded committee that that isn’t [necessarily] an option in the region and to be more specific in their needs</p> <p>No report</p> <p>Thank you to the facilities for their continued support/assistance in off-load times; there is a huge difference compared to this time last year and the work all the facilities have done is greatly appreciated</p> <p>No report</p> <p>Congratulations again to the Regional EMS award winners, and congratulations to the State EMS award winners; thank you to the region for their support during Code Black/PDC, which was recognized by the State as the region won “Innovation in EMS”; the nominations for the 2023 awards will open shortly; welcome to Megan Middleton who returns to ODEMSA as the Training Director; the annual agency update has gone out, along with an ebola survey and EMS for Children’s survey; ODEMSA was one of 4 regional councils who had 100% participation and looking forward to doing the same this year; please contact Ryan if anyone has questions or need support with any of the surveys</p>	
<p>Old Business:</p> <p><u>Diversion Plan Review</u></p>	<p>Housekeeping items such as name changes and adding new facilities need to be updated in the Plan; Tarsha will update and send out for an email vote</p>	<p>Motion: Second: Vote:</p>
<p>New Business:</p> <p><u>Recent Diversions</u></p>	<p>No recent diversions/incidents</p>	<p>Motion: Drew Walker Second: Umaman Choudry</p>



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<p><u>Vice Chair Discussion</u></p> <p><u>Business from the Floor</u></p>	<p>Casey Shinault was nominated and accepted nomination for Vice Chair of the Hospital Diversion Committee and was unanimously approved; Tarsha will update roster to reflect change</p> <p>Bon Secours advised there is an escalation process in place if wait times are excessively extended/too high; please don't hesitate to use it and please always feel free to reach out to the EMS liaisons for this and other concerns</p> <p>CVHC advised that due to the large number of projects (ongoing and upcoming) that they are available for assistance at any point during the planning process; would like to join the conversation early so that there won't be any unnecessary drilling into walls for radio lines and decon rooms</p>	<p>Vote: Casey Shinault is the new Vice Chair of the Committee</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>April 28th, 2023</p>	
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 12:28 pm</p>	