I. WELCOME

Attendees:
Alexis Lieser, Marshall ER
Laurel Sorenson, Barton ER
Corey McLeod, Barton ER
Greg Schwab, Georgetown FPD
Kathy Flessing, EMS Agency
Marty Hackett, West Slope JPA
Kim George, SLT FD
Jeff Safley, CalStar
Marty Creel, SLT FD
Brian Bresnahan, EMS Agency
David Brazzel, EMS Agency
Anji Manning, Marshall ER
Cate Neal, Barton Trauma
Richard Todd, EMS Agency
Michele Williams, Marshall ER

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the 4/10/13 MAC Meeting were approved with one change and posted to the EMS Agency website.

III. CHAIRMAN REPORT: (Dr. David Brazzel)

A. Drug Shortages:

- Soluble medication: The compounding pharmacy will no longer be able to provide any IV solution medications, including magnesium sulfate and dextrose 50. There is a recall on the dextrose 50. Both the FDA and State Board of Pharmacy have tightened the requirements for compounding pharmacies from 3 to 14 days sterility testing and enterotoxin testing. At this time, all California compounding pharmacies' licenses are suspended until they upgrade their systems. If we do use the compounding pharmacy solutions, they will have a cap shelf life of 28 days, rather than the previous 90 days. Two orders of Dextrose 50 have been placed in the past two weeks and those are being recalled. If any Dextrose 50 was used, it needs to be reported to the State Board of Pharmacy. Please provide any usage to the JPA and they'll forward on to the State.

- Magnesium Sulfate: Still okay to use until 90 days, then discard. If it's from a manufacturer and expires, Dr. Brazzel will be requesting a shelf life extension from the State EMS Authority.
• **Fentanyl:** There is currently a two-week back order on Fentanyl.

**IV. BASE STATION HOSPITAL REPORTS**

**A. BARTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (BMH):** (Laurel Sorenson, R.N. & Corey McLeod, M.D.)

- **Epic EMR:** May 4, 2013 was the go-live date for Epic EMR at Barton. Extra coverage was scheduled to work through inevitable bugs. The implementation is going smoothly, thankfully it’s their slow season. Rich said when Epic went live it eliminated EMS connectivity to the system. Dr. McLeod said he would get Rich a user name and password to re-establish access.

- **Trauma Center:** Cate Neal, Barton Trauma coordinator, reported that the American College of Surgeons (ACS) identified 12 deficiencies during the November Verification visit, which they are working on. BMH has developed a plan for each deficiency; it’s a matter of putting them into motion. Tentatively, BMH is considering an ACS verification visit during the last quarter of 2014. All Trauma calls are being uploaded to the Trauma One data system in preparation for the visit.

- **ER:** The ER is keeping quite busy with 121 admission/transfers. Laurel confirmed that the iPAD in the ER is going very well, with no resistance. Data collected on the iPAD is transmitted from the ER to the medic via “bumping.”

**B. MARSHALL MEDICAL CENTER (MMC):** (Alexis Lieser, M.D. & Michele Williams, R.N.)

- **ER Volume:** Dr. Lieser reported that average volume in the new ER has increased, although it is inconsistent and difficult to staff for fluctuations.

- **New EMS Director:** Michele reported that Marshall has appointed a new EMS Medical Director, Dr. Roger Gallant. Dr. Gallant has over 10 years in practice and will be replacing Dr. Lieser.

- **Trauma and ACS:** MMC is preparing for a scheduled ACS visit on January 1st, 2014. They have more than doubled the trauma program since 2010.

- **Stroke Certification:** Joint Commission visit for Stroke Certification on May 31st.

- **Annual Paramedic update:** Training sessions had seen only 60% of paramedics so far. There are only two more training days scheduled on the East Slope. A flyer announcing the next training has been sent to all CQI reps. If you plan on attending one of the Cal Tahoe Trainings, please RSVP to Laurel Sorenson. Laurel can be reached at: lsorensen@bartonhealth.org

**V. EMS AGENCY REPORT:** (Richard Todd)

- **HIPAA potential violations:** Rich reported that a lawyer recently requested a PCR from a Service Agency. Please do not provide any PCR’s to any requesting entities. This is a huge violation of HIPAA protocols and could result in fines of $10,000 and
up. Please direct such requests (Court Orders, Subpoena’s, Legal requests, …etc.) back to the EMS Agency.

VI. JPA REPORTS

A. CAL TAHOE JPA: (Tony Gasporra email)

- From Tony’s email report: The next CTESOA JPA meeting will be May 23rd at Lake Valley First Station #7 @ 9:00 am. Tony reported that First Watch is continuing to work with Forte Holdings on the ePCR update. Both groups are communicating well through emails. PCS/iPAD BUMP reporting is working well in the ER. They are trying to get an iPAD to the 2nd floor for IFT’s so they can continue with the electronic PCS/ePCR. Kristy Monroe (PH Finance) is happy that all Cal Tahoe billing is complete and on time with no problems.

B. WEST SLOPE JPA: (Marty Hackett)

- JPA is looking for new Administrative Assistant: Marty said their administrative assistant is leaving and going to Marshall. The JPA is actively seeking a replacement.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. CQI REPORT: (Brian Bresnahan for Josh Huffman)

- Air-Q SP LMA: CALSTAR reports they are now using air-Q Self Pressurizing (SP) Laryngeal Mask Airways (LMA’s). Brian says they’ve put out a new learning point on this so everyone has an idea what they look like.

- IPCR issues: There will be a CQIC iPCR meeting at the EMS Agency on June 5th at 8:30 a.m. to discuss CQI component and ensure that everyone is on the same page and collaboratively working to resolve the iPCR CQI issues. CQI reps have been encouraged to meet with Forte before this meeting.

- Change of Focus: CQI is thinking of changing its format from reporting statistics to more of a focus group, looking at case studies, scene times, core measures, etc.

- New CQI Chair: CQI will be looking for someone to assume the new CQI chair on August 1st. No bylaws are drawn up yet, but it is desirable that the CQI chair is not “on duty” during these meetings so he/she can attend the entire meeting and not be called away. Please contact the EMS Agency if you are interested or would like to nominate someone for this position.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS: None

IX. NEW BUSINESS: None

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS:
EMS Week Presentation to Board of Supervisors: On May 21st there will be a JPA presentation to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors at 3:00 p.m. to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our First Responders and EMS System. Rich said there will be an EMS Week Proclamation from the Board along with flyers and handouts for local and regional events and promotions.

XI. NEXT MEETING: **June 12th, 2013, from 1:00 to 3:00** at the El Dorado County EMS Agency Conference Room.