

ePCR Workgroup 01/20

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ATTENDEES

Nick Ritchey - REMSA, Evelyn Pham - REMSA, Sean Hakam – REMSA, Stephani Harrington – REMSA, Catherine Farrokhi – REMSA, Dustin Rascon – REMSA, Henry Olson – REMSA, Scott Philippbar – Cal Fire, Holly Anderson – Cal Fire, Donald Beresford – Soboba Fire, Jennifer Antonucci – Murrieta Fire, Justin Vanderhulst – Pechanga Fire, Noelle Toering – Riverside City Fire, Christopher Linke – AMR, Melissa Schmidt – Hemet Fire, Richard Harvey – Cal Fire, Suzee Kolodzik – AMR, Kevin Kuhlman – Hemet Fire, Tim O’Connel - Calimesa Fire, Jason Gumbert –Cal Fire, Jesse – Cal Fire

I. Call to Order/Introductions

- Any action items presented here, REMSA will accept as approval of the group who attend the meeting
- Meetings will be held via Microsoft TEAMS for the foreseeable future. All meetings will also be recorded.

II. 2022 Overview

- 2021 grant period regarding SAFR, +EMS was a successful project
 - Could be beneficial for a POLST registry, and if it could download information as a POLST
 - The big piece that is going to continue is the file and reconcile portion, connecting our ePCR system in a more dynamic way
 - Prospect for 2022, HIH Riverside County project, converting them to private HIH. The purpose of this project is to attain full loop closure on cases, providing a whole picture of the patient care
 - Looking to expand this project to all 17 Riverside County hospitals
 - In the process of looking for state funding and third-party funding
- Custom Development Projects
 - SIRF panel relating to documentation of drowning data
 - We are paying for custom development to transfer all supplemental questions to IT fields
 - It will be part of the data exchange, so Southern California can collect data in the same format
 - Agencies who aren’t part of our REMSIS site can also import data in the same format
 - Downstream, will hopefully be able to help with CARES, QI, Billing Services, Research, Targeted education as well.
 - NIFIRS, personal ID that will show up in the NIFIRS site
 - Plan to sync with the LMS and Elite
 - NEMSIS 3.5
 - ImageTrend is NEMSIS approved for direct input in sending and receiving, the State will be able to receive NEMSIS data. We will hold off on transitioning to NEMSIS 3.5 for Year 2022.
 - RODA Dashboard
 - An overview of the RODA dashboard was presented
 - It is a public facing dashboard that is updated monthly
 - HIH Connection across 17 RivCo Hospitals

III. Identified Issues and System Updates

- Zoll import issues
 - Cal Fire reached out to Zoll and they have responded with a fix that will be done in February. In February they are also working on a software development kit, that does not require us to upgrade for it to be fixed. It will be done behind the scenes. Once this is fixed, Nick will notify the users.
- Issues with times out and not populating calls in ImageTrend
 - Cal Fire has been experiencing time out 500 errors and not populating PCRS within the last 2 days, if the errors persist, please contact Nick. No contact made issue considered resolved.
- ALS to BLS Downgrade documentation
 - Identified issue with documentation (not related to the CQILT convo)
 - It is not clear when it is documented, and Nick proposed if we should have a button to make it clear if it's an ALS or BLS.
 - Adding a button that says yes, this is a BLS downgrade or no, this is not a BLS downgrade, something to streamline how they populate
 - A Poll was started to support adding ePCR element for ALS to BLS 2208 utilization
 - Of the responses received, 100% supports the plan
 - Nick will work on this and update the group when it is done. Completed with QI report going to REMSA clinical to monitor ongoing.
- Zero Point Validation rules (flagging yellow outline)
 - After the February update, we now have the ability to add elements to make it a zero point count, and it will turn yellow
 - The group discussed items that could be used as zero point validation rules and suggested examples of patient or family phone numbers, or billing info would be a good yellow rule
 - Some suggested to include/hold this until 3.5 update and include training update with it
 - Will look like a yellow box with a flag that will pop up
- RHeart Powertool
 - Allowing AMR powertools developed for RHeart be replicated for other agencies (Cat City).

New requested Items

IV. Change Requests

- Cathedral City Request
 - Tabled to next meeting

V. Round Table

- PPE/exposures, relating to COVID
 - Cal Fire asked for PPE, still have to individually select those (per provider), is there a way to make it a standard?
 - Riverside City likes to leave this as is, since they use it for contact tracing
 - With the pandemic still ongoing, Nick feels this is still important to leave on for PPE/exposure data collection (we can revisit this in the future)
- Mechanism Panel still being reworked for Policy 5301
 - Update, still needs some work

- State CEDRS project including ePOLST registry notification
 - State of CA authorized EMS authority and CA Dept Technology to create a statewide health information exchange, also expanded letter of development of a POLST registry at the State level
 - Not sure how this will play out, just a FYI
- NIFIRS support as needed
 - RivCo will participate in exchanging data in here, contracted with them, if you have Elite it is part of the contract and can use this
 - 6 fire depts using the NIFIRS module successfully
 - REMSA continues to support departments that are part of NIFIRS
- EPI Drip
 - REMSA needs a general consensus of when it will be built into the ePCR, and pulled through report writer, the solution for an epi drip
 - Options of the bag size, drip rate, drip units, concentration value etc
 - REMSA will modify the ePCR that in the event of an EPI admin, these extra values will be visible for them to document
 - Christopher Linke mentioned that they already have pre-built tools within the AMR system to help capture this information and make charting the drops more efficiently
 - REMSA will make the dilution, drop rate all available for EPI, and will make the necessary changes on PowerTools at the system level and send them to the group to review

Next meeting: Thursday, February 24th, 2022 at 13:00 via Microsoft TEAMS.