



## Progress Report – March 2012

Steering Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The OC-MEDS Steering Committee is comprised of representatives from the OC Ambulance Association, OC Fire Chiefs Association, OC Communications, and the Hospital Association of Southern California. <u>The group will continue to meet on a quarterly basis until the system is fully implemented. The next meeting of the committee has been schedule for Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 10:00am.</u></li> </ul>
ePCR Software	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The ePCR software is continuously being improved to meet the dynamic needs of the Orange County EMS system. The latest version of the software, <b>v5.2.1.1 has been released and is available for download</b> from within Field Bridge.</li> <li>OCEMS has been working with Orange County ambulance providers to encourage use of the system. Doctor's Ambulance Service has begun to pilot test the Field Bridge ePCR in South OC and would like to test the transfer capabilities of the software with ALS providers in their area(s). In addition, OCEMS is working with both Care Ambulance and Lynch Ambulance to test and eventually integrate data to / from their Zoll ePCR systems with OC-MEDS.</li> <li>An Inventory Module has been added to the system that allows agencies that transport/bill to document the usage of consumables. If you are interested in this module, please contact Laurent Repass for more information.</li> <li><b>11 agencies have been issued LIVE OC-MEDS accounts and are beginning to configure their own systems to meet their individual operational needs.</b> OCEMS has been assisting many of these agencies with creating user accounts and with general configuration.</li> <li><b>ePCR Integration with new OCEMS Protocols</b> – All new Orange County Protocols (effective April 2012) are being added to the OC-MEDS ePCR. The ePCR is being designed to allow documentation workflow that is consistent with the new protocols.</li> <li><b>OC-MEDS specific Field Bridge and Service Bridge User Guides have been posted on the OCEMS website for download. Go to: <a href="http://ochealthinfo.com/ems/ocmeds">http://ochealthinfo.com/ems/ocmeds</a></b></li> <li><b>Congratulations! The first official ePCR posted by an ALS provider in which no paper documentation was used was completed by Costa Mesa Fire on 02/20. Good job!</b></li> </ul>
ePCR Hardware	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HCA / OCEMS is expecting the delivery of UASI funded Mobile Data Collection Devices on behalf of <b>Anaheim Fire</b>. Per the vendor, the devices will be delivered to OCEMS on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012.</li> <li><b>HCA / OCEMS has been awarded a third and final year of UASI funding, \$500,000.</b> The primary objective of this funding is to provide public safety based EMS providers with additional Mobile Data Collection Devices to aid with completing their equipment needs.</li> <li><b>HCA / OCEMS will be reconvening the ePCR Hardware Selection Taskforce soon so that the group can begin to plan for the next round of equipment purchases. Stay tuned for more information.</b></li> </ul>
Training / Collaboration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HCA / OCEMS is continuing to provide onsite Field Bridge ePCR and Service Bridge training for EMS provider agencies. Contact Ruth Grubb directly to schedule training. She may be reached at: (714) 296-6406 or via email at <a href="mailto:rsg@ca.rr.com">rsg@ca.rr.com</a>.</li> <li>A Google Group called the <b>OC-MEDS Community Forum</b> has been created. The "forum" is intended to encourage community feedback and open discussion between system participants and will function as an information clearinghouse to aid with system development. <b>To join the group, go to: <a href="http://groups.google.com/group/oc-meds?hl=en">http://groups.google.com/group/oc-meds?hl=en</a>.</b></li> <li>The <b>OC-MEDS Office Hour</b> is scheduled <b>every Wednesday from 10am – 11am</b> in which you can share your screen with one of the System Administrators to answer your questions. The webinar style opportunity may be accessed at: <a href="https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/731839385">https://www1.gotomeeting.com/join/731839385</a> and by calling the OC Conference line at 714-834-7400, agent ID 39, Password 102404#</li> </ul>
CAD Integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HCA / OCEMS has partnered with the regional CAD 2 CAD project to provide a countywide OC-MEDS CAD data integration and continues to work with representatives from Brea, Costa Mesa, Laguna Beach, MetroNet, OCFA, and Santa Ana to define how the information will be utilized.</li> <li><b>To date, CAD integrations have been completed for the following agencies:</b> Anaheim, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Orange City, Orange County, Newport Beach, Santa Ana.</li> <li><b>Costa Mesa CAD integrations has been successfully completed.</b></li> <li><b>Brea Fire will soon be dispatched by MetroNet; therefore their CAD data will be included in the existing MetroNet CAD Integration.</b></li> </ul>
Base Hospital Data and Digital Audio Recorders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HCA / OCEMS and Orange County Communications (OCC) are planning to implement digital audio recorders which will replace the audio cassette records used today to record voice communications between paramedics and MICNs during base hospital contacted calls and MCIs. <b>The equipment is in the final stages of procurement and will likely be installed by mid to late spring 2012.</b></li> <li>HCA / OCEMS with the Orange County Base Hospital Coordinators have formed an <b>electronic Base Hospital Report (eBHR) taskforce.</b> The group began meeting on Feb. 9, 2012 to design the future eBHR which will replace the existing paper based forms and will be interoperable with the OC-MEDS ePCR.</li> </ul>
Hospital Dashboard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>HCA / OCEMS is rolling out the OC-MEDS Hospital Dashboard.</b> The "dashboard" is a component of the OC-MEDS software which provides an online method for Paramedic Receiving Centers (PRC) to receive electronic copies of prehospital care reports that have been completed by EMS providers.</li> <li>HCA / OCEMS is completing the work necessary for PRCs to add their personnel to the system and is nearly complete with providing brief 10-15 minute in-services to hospital staff to prepare them to receive PCRs electronically. <b>In addition, a new module has been added that enables hospitals to manage their own staff. This new module will be rolled out in the next 2-3 weeks.</b></li> <li><b>To date, the staff of 23 out of 25 PRCs has added to OC-MEDS so that they may view / print PCRs from the Hospital Dashboard.</b></li> </ul>
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