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Contra Costa Local Agency Formation Commission
 651 Pine Street, Sixth Floor
 Martinez, CA 94553

**Emergency Medical Services System (EMS) and
 Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Study**

Dear Members of the Commission:

In December 2012, the Board of Supervisors authorized an independent system re-evaluation of the County EMS System in conjunction with a separate fire service study of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District (CCCFPD). Initially, the focus of each study will be to review the current service levels and determine how best to deliver future services within operational capabilities and fiscal resources. The studies will be conducted by Fitch and Associates.

The EMS system study work plan and timeline are available on the Contra Costa Health Services website (<http://cchealth.org/ems/system-review.php>), along with information regarding the study goals, system review process, study reports and related documents.

Regarding the fire service study, information gathering, coordination with CCCFPD, and work plan development are underway.

A list of stakeholders, including Contra Costa LAFCO, has been prepared. The County has asked the stakeholder groups to identify representatives to be notified of the future stakeholder meetings (see attached letter).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission identify the appropriate LAFCO representatives to participate in the service review.

Sincerely,

LOU ANN TEXEIRA
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Attached – Contra Costa County Emergency Medical Services Study – Stakeholder Invitation

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Date: 3/14/13

To: Contra Costa County EMS System Stakeholder(s)

From: Patricia Frost, EMS Director, Contra Costa County Emergency Medical Services

Re: Comprehensive System Review of Contra Costa Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

On December 11, 2012 the Board of Supervisors directed Contra Costa Health Services EMS Division and the County Administrator to perform an independent EMS System review. The third-party study will be conducted by Fitch and Associates, an EMS System industry leader. Information about the study and the scope of work is available on the EMS website at <http://cchealth.org/ems/system-review.php>. As part of the review a list of individuals representing EMS System stakeholders is being compiled to participate in the process. The following stakeholder groups are being contacted:

- Contra Costa Emergency and Non-Emergency Ambulance Providers
- Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS) Executive Leadership
- County Administrator and Board of Supervisor leadership
- Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC)
- Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)
- All Hospital Chief Executives and Emergency Department Leadership
- Trauma, STEMI and Stroke System Physician and Nurse Leadership
- Health Plans (Kaiser, Contra Costa Health Plan, others)
- Contra Costa Advisory Council on Aging
- Contra Costa Fire Districts/Departments and Provider Agencies
- Contra Costa Public Health Program Leadership (homeless, mental health, vulnerable populations)
- Appropriate labor representative groups, e.g. Fire, Ambulance, County Health Services
- All Fire, Ambulance and Law Enforcement Dispatch Agencies
- Alameda-Contra Costa Medical Association
- Hospital Council
- EMS Medical Advisory Committee
- CCC Public Managers Association (city managers and County Administrator)
- CCC Mayors Conference
- CCC Police Chiefs' Association (and its subsidiary LETAC - Law Enforcement Technical Advisory Committee)
- CCC Fire Chiefs' Association

As an important member of the Contra Costa EMS community your assistance is needed to identify appropriate representatives to participate in this service review of the Contra Costa EMS System. Please submit your representatives contact information using the following electronic link at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CCEMSstudy>. Contact information will be used to provide meeting notices, coordinate stakeholder interviews and make requests for information that may be needed to complete the study. If you have any questions contact me at Patricia.Frost@hsd.cccounty.us or 925 646-4690.

cc: William Walker, M.D., Director Contra Costa Health Services
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Rick Keller, Fitch and Associates

