Medical Support Operations

Responsible person: Director of Health Services
Reports to: Operations chief/Incident Commander
Responds to: All campus-wide emergencies

Primary Responsibilities:

- Coordination and oversight of medical response personnel
- Coordinate and provide medical treatment
- Coordination and implementation of field triage i.e. screening and treatment
- Coordinate mental health and psychological services, i.e. Crisis Management
- Liaison with local and regional medical facilities
- Coordinate Medical transfers/transportation
- Liaison with Coroner – casualty accounting
- Support Responsibilities:
  1. Care and shelter
  2. Environmental decontamination
- Initiate and oversee victim information logs i.e. identity of victim, transport destination or other outcome

Procedure:

If an incident occurs on campus, i.e. fire, explosion, motor vehicle accident or hazardous materials release:

- The incident will be assessed by Campus Safety. If it is determined that medical assistance is required the Director of Health Services will be notified, and if necessary, the Campus Safety Dispatcher will request EMS.
- Campus Dispatch will provide the 911 operator with information regarding number of casualties, conditions, and any special hazards.
- Campus Safety staff will escort the EMS personnel to the site, will assist in establishing a staging area, and will establish a perimeter around the staging area to prevent unauthorized persons from entering the area.
- Health Center staff, and if necessary, other health care professionals on campus, will provide medical support to victims until EMS arrives on the scene. Campus health personnel will then assist as needed.

In the event of a city/county wide emergency resulting in the delay or inability of the County EMS to respond to the campus request for assistance, the Medical Branch of the Campus Incident Action Plan will be activated.

- Director of Health Services will report to Operations Chief for briefing of incident and initiate request for medical support staff. Number of support staff will be determined by initial field reports of the location and number of victims requiring medical assistance.
• Medical operations staff will be briefed and then assigned to the following sites as needed until county responders arrive.
  o Triage Center
  o Transport
  o Temporary morgue
• Briefings for staff should include but not be limited to:
  o Triage system
  o Patient tracking
  o Tagging of the injured
  o Care of injured
• Triage center will be activated. Triage stations will be located south end of the campus. Medical staff will be divided between the triage stations.
• Victims will be triaged and tagged based on the “START” classification system (Simple Treatment and Rapid Triage) developed by the Newport Beach Fire Department:
  o Red- immediate: victims with respiratory distress, inability to follow simple commands, perfuse bleeding and/or blood loss
  o Yellow-delayed: Victims with respiratory rates below 30, good pulses, and who have the ability to follow simple commands. Injuries most likely require immobility
  o Green- minor injuries, all walking wounded
  o Black- deceased
• In case of extreme emergency where county medical units cannot respond the following actions will be taken:
  o Medical Operations Chief will request that campus EOC contact community medical facilities to determine availability of personnel and services.
  o If medical facilities are unavailable, site care of victims will continue until community facilities become operational and can accept the injured.
• Medical Operations Chief will maintain contact with EOC for support requirements:
  o Medical supplies
  o Generators
  o Transportation of victims
  o Food and water
• Medical Operations Chief will provide casualty updates to EOC at regular intervals