1-29-2019 Addendum to Advisory Committee Notes: EMS/Paramedic Program

Advisory Committee Member List

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**Summary:**

A survey was conducted to gauge support and collect data (Advisory committee members) for the development of a paramedic program at Allan Hancock College.

The response was overwhelmingly in support. The shortage of paramedics was present, staff were working mandatory overtime and the trend was not demonstrating obtaining paramedics from outside the county. Retention entered into the picture as personnel were tired.

The development began at that point looking at regions, location of other programs, costs, staff, etc., evaluating if this is a feasible and appropriate program to add to the AHC EMS program.

Feedback from the advisory committee continues to be in full support.

1. How favorable is your organization to supporting the paramedic program at Allan Hancock College?

Score 3.5 / 4, Very supportive and extremely supportive

1. Rank the importance to having a paramedic program in SB county?

Score 3/3 (100%) support the importance

1. How would the paramedic program benefit your organization?

Typed responses:

* “We currently send paramedic students out of the area. Having a local program would benefit SB Co Fire by reducing this cost, but more importantly be able to collaborate with AHC on benefiting the region’s paramedic needs.”
* “We love paramedic students in the ED. They get the experience and we get extra help.”
* “It would provide quality, standards-based education and training.”
* “As a BLS provider, this gives us a significant direction and tremendous cost savings to have a local provider of education. Its costs 100K+ to send a firefighter to paramedic school. If we had a local program offered on a shift basis, much of that cost would be eliminated. This is a huge benefit for all our agencies that are struggling financially.”
* “Santa Barbara County Fire Department is the largest ALS Service provider in the County. As such, having a local education program to train paramedics will be of tremendous support to the hiring of qualified candidates that have ties to our local communities.”
* “Having a local Paramedic program would greatly improve the likelihood that SMR would be able to shift to an ALS department. Further, SMR would like to be active supporter of programs encouraging potential candidates to look into the EMS field.”

1. How would the AHC Paramedic program benefit our community?

A majority felt the school can provide a continuous pool of paramedic students that have been trained in the community that they can find job opportunities. Filling currently vacant position assisted the workforce in this county.

1. Do you envision your organization working in collaboration with AHC's Paramedic program?

100% of those surveyed envision working collaboratively with AHC’s Paramedic programs (and other EMS courses).

1. In what capacity do you see your organizations role in reference to AHC's paramedic program?

All voiced support in reference to the advisory committee providing input for development and program structure as well as enhancing instruction with skilled paramedics either working for AMR or SB Co Fire.

* Jennie Simon from SB Co Fire is working on obtaining a simulation manikin that will be housed at AHC for Paramedic student use as well as SB Co Fire access for supplemental education and ongoing training.
* AHC will be providing all advanced courses required on a regular basis which include AHA’s Advanced Cardiac Life Support and Pediatric Advanced Life support (30-60 firefighter paramedics annually).
* Staff from SB Co Fire, Marian Medical and American Medical Response ambulance service have been hired as PTF or IA supporting the program.

Unequivocally, the support is voiced from the advisory board that the EMS community wants and needs the AHC Paramedic Program to start in F22 and support their own departments and programs. This is a win-win for Santa Barbara County EMS.

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| **Survey Monkey AHC - EMS Advisory / Paramedic program Survey** |

1. How favorable is your organization to supporting the paramedic program at Allan Hancock College?

* Minimally, not essential
* Supportive
* Very supportive
* Extremely supportive

2. Rank the importance to having a paramedic program in SB county?

* Minimal impact, non-essential.
* Supportive, impactful
* Extremely supportive, essential to have in SB County.

3. How would the paramedic program benefit your organization? Type in response.

4. How would the AHC Paramedic program benefit our community?

Filling current vacant Paramedic positions

Job opportunities for local residents to stay in the community

Provide a continuous pool of paramedics that have trained in this county

5. Do you envision your organization working in collaboration with AHC's Paramedic program?

* Yes
* No

6. In what capacity to you see your organizations role in reference to AHC's paramedic program?

* Assisting in instruction
* Providing equipment
* Advisory committee curriculum input
* Providing employment
* Offering internships
* Providing funding / Scholarships