ACCREDITED CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (1917)



Board of Accreditation Review

STATUS

Approved

Agency Name:	Confire JPA
Call Volume:	120,170
Type:	Medical
MPDS	13.3
ProQA ©	5.1.1.41
AQUA ™	7.1.0.7
ED-Q ™	10.0.2
Date:	7/2/2021
Reviewer:	SHELLEY ROZE

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EMD RE-ACE also uses ECNS QPR client **Agency History**

6 month window December - May

Section 1. Communication Centre Overview and Description

1a. Document the total number of stations that are active (call taking and dispatching) and those that are supervisory or standby (enter on line 9 of the application form).

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

1b. Include a floor plan showing the placement of each workstation.

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

1c. List any current accreditations and the accrediting body.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 2. Medical Priority Dispatch System Version and Licensing Confirmation

2a. Provide the following, as applicable

2ai. MPDS Version Number

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes version 13.3

Outstanding Requirement(s)

2aii. ProOA® Version Number

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

2aiii. AQUA™ version number

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments 7.1.0. current is 7.1.0.7 please upgrade

Reviewer Notes Updated to 17.1.0.7 Aug 3/2021

Outstanding Requirement(s)

2aiv. ED-Q™ Version Number

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments 10.0 current is 10.0.2

Reviewer Notes Updated to 10.0.2 Aug 3/2021

Outstanding Requirement(s)

2b. Include documentation (policy, directive, etc.) stating that the most recent versions of the MPDS (ProQA and/or card sets) and Performance Standards will be implemented within one year of their release

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 3. Current Academy EMD Certification of All Personnel Authorized to Process Emergency Calls

3a. Provide a list of all EMDs, indicating their names, hire dates, last certification dates, next recertification dates, and Academy EMD certification numbers

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 4. All EMD Certification Courses are Conducted by Academy-Certified Instructors, and All Case Review is Conducted by Academy-Certified ED-Qs

4a. If you have an in-house or contracted instructor, include her/his name, next recertification date, and certification number.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes No In house instructor

Outstanding Requirement(s)

4b. List all ED-Qs, indicating their names, next recertification dates, and Academy ED-Q certification numbers

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 5. Full Activity of Quality Improvement (QI) Committee Processes

5a. Include copies of agendas and minutes of all Dispatch Review Committee (DRC) and Dispatch Steering Committee (DSC) meetings (at least two DRC meetings and one DSC meeting in the six months immediately preceding the application).

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

5b. List the names and titles of all committee members for the following:

5bi. Quality Improvement Unit

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

5bii. Dispatch Review Committee

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

5biii.Dispatch Steering Committee

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

5c. List the objectives and tasks of each of these committees

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Section 6. IAED Quality Assurance and Improvement Methodology

6a. Attach a complete description of the methods used to evaluate EMD performance in using all elements of the MPDS correctly as outlined in the ED-Q Course Manual (consistent reviewing practices). The document should outline the following:

6ai. How cases are randomly selected.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments Are PAI calls pulled at the end of the month included in the random?

mese were originally included in the monthly random. Folicy appared to stated they are not **Reviewer Notes** adding there to the readon his instruction of feeling drawing

Outstanding Requirement(s)

6aii. The minimum number of cases reviewed monthly.

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

6aiii. Any focused case review practices employed. This can include cases identified by the agency that warrant additional reviews. Examples are cardiac arrest, choking, and childbirth.

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

6b. Attach a detailed description of how EMD performance is checked, tabulated, and tracked.

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

6c. Include details and dates of when case review began and how scores were shared with each employee.

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

6d. Include details and dates of when shift and center scores were posted.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Section 7. Consistent Case Evaluation That Meets or Exceeds the Academy's Minimum Expectation

7a. The minimum case evaluation requirement is based on agency size (120170), as follows

between 1% -3% please consult calculator

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments 267 per month

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

7b. List the total number of emergency medical calls received by the center in the six months immediately prior to the accreditation application.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

7c. List the total number of cases reviewed in the same time period.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 8. Historical Baseline QA Data from Initial Implementation of Structured Academy QA Processes (First QI Summary Report, if available)

8a. A baseline QI Summary Report (or equivalent) that includes the following:

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

8b. Determinant Drift Reports (or equivalent) for the center. *Indicate on cover letter if these items are not available.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 9. Monthly average case evaluation compliance levels for the communication center for the six months preceding the accreditation application, with compliance levels at or above accreditation levels for at least the three months immediately preceding application

9a. Include Accreditation report showing compliance levels for the communication center for the six months preceding the accreditation application, with compliance levels at or above accreditation levels for at least three months immediately preceding application:

Assessment	Meets ACE Standard after clarification
AD Comments	There is a variation in the number of randoms completed each month Dec 247, Jan 288, Feb 300, March 211, April 272, May 229 This was due to emergency rule because they didn't get to SEND. Struggled to find enough calls to Q. Overdoing some months to make up for less in others to ensure annual random was met.
Reviewer Notes	
Outstanding Requirem	ont(c)

Outstanding Requirement(s)

9b Include a Communications Center Determinant Drift Report for the three months preceding the application showing that under-response and over-response each occur in no more than 5% of cases.

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Assessment	Meets ACE Standard		
AD Comments			
Reviewer Notes			

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 10. Verification of correct case evaluation and QI techniques, validated through independent Academy review

10a. Provide copies of 25 case review audio files with merge file for Academy assessment.

10ai. Include 22 calls from the one-month period immediately preceding the application. These calls must be selected purely at random; they must not be cases specifically marked for feedback or other review. Include 22 calls from the one-month period immediately preceding the application. These calls must be selected purely at random; they must not be cases specifically marked for feedback or other review.

Assessment	Meets ACE Standard after clarification		
AD Comments	MERGE FILE has 29 cases in it. Please resubmit with 25 cases		
Reviewer Notes	Updated and submitted		
Outstanding Requirement(s)			

10aii. State the process for random selection of these calls			
Assessment	Suggestions for Improvement		
AD Comments			
Reviewer Notes	For future packages please pull from the previous calendar month for example June instead of the previous 30 days		
Outstanding Requirement(s)			

10aiii. Include an additional 3 cases involving Pre-Arrival Instructions. These should be the first case with Pre-Arrival Instructions reviewed in each of the three months immediately preceding the application

Assessment	Meets ACE Standard
AD Comments	
Reviewer Notes	
Outstanding Requireme	ent(s)

Section 11. Implementation and/or maintenance of MPDS orientation and Case feedback methodology for all field personnel

11a. Describe your MPDS field personnel orientation process.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

11ai. Include copies of handouts, presentations, and any other materials used.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

11aii. List the number of Field Responder Guides distributed, along with the dates these were given out

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

11b. Describe your EMD case feedback methodology.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

11c. Include a blank copy of the field feedback form utilized by your agency.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

11ci. Include documentation of the dates field feedback forms were distributed to all field stations.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 12. Verification of local policies and procedures for implementation and maintenance of the MPDS. Include all policies relating to EMD practices, which must include the following:

12a. Implementation and application of MPDS

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12b. Medical Director approval of all MPDS protocols, including those requiring local approval, for example:

OMEGA referrals (OMG VERSION ONLY)

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

OBVIOUS DEATH

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

EXPECTED DEATH

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

Protocol 14 Obvious Death (submersion ≥6 hours)

Assessment Meets ACE Standard
Protocol 18 Headache treatment Time Window
Assessment Meets ACE Standard

12b. Protocol 24 HIGH Risk

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

Protocol 24 OMEGA Referral

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

STROKE Treatment Time Window

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

Protocol 33 ACUITY Levels (required if using P-33)

Assessment N/A

Protocol 37 Medical Professional Authorization (required if using P-37)

Assessment N/A

Protocol 37 Stroke Treatment Time Window

Assessment Meets ACE Standard
Aspirin Diagnostic and Instruction Tool
Assessment Meets ACE Standard

Cardiac Arrest Pathway

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes Not initially added - Updated Sept 3rd

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12c. Protocol compliance.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

incremental compliance policy is outdate. These metrics are no longer valid **AD Comments**

Individual dispatchers are not required to meet ACE performance.

Performance Threshold Report is intended for individual PIP compliance

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requireme Updated replaced the ACE metric with Performance threshold report

12ci. Quality improvement

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12cii. CDE requirements

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12ciii. Performance management and remediation

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12civ. Customer service skills (how customer service scores are addressed by your agency)

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12cv. Language translation processes

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

12d. A policy stating that all emergency medical calls are only processed by EMD-certified personnel, and that employees are removed from their call taking duties if their certification is expired, suspended, or revoked.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes Updated to include Suspended or revoked.

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 13. Copies of All Documents Pertaining to Your Continuing Dispatch Education (CDE) Program

13a. Submit the CDE schedules and topics for the past six months.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

13b. Submit EMD attendance records

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes Originally attendance showed greater than 6 months update to 6 months of data

Outstanding Requirement(s)

13c. Submit a CDE schedule draft for the next six months

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 14. Secondary Emergency Notification of Dispatch (SEND) Orientation

14a. Include documentation of the distribution of SEND Protocol information to all police and fire dispatchers and to other agencies routinely forwarding emergency calls.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

Is P-36 and Advanced SEND as this is intended for use with things like ski patrol

AD Comments Have Police services been approached about use of SEND? There is mention of this in April 2020,

but no training documentation provided

Have SEND card been distributed to ski patrol?

Reviewer Notes SEND card or copies are distributed to ski patrol on a yearly basis.

Outstanding Requirement(s)

14ai. List the other agencies as applicable.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

14b. Include documentation of agencies trained, copies of attendance records, and any training materials used for this process.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 15. Establish Local Response Assignment For Each MPDS Determinant Code

15a. Include a description of the process for developing response assignments.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

15b. Include a list of all MPDS Determinant Codes and each locally determined response assignment.

Meets ACE Standard after clarification Assessment

This point requires a list of all MDPS codes and their corresponding local response assignments. A **AD Comments**

response configuration report is customarily provided for this point. Link in email to instructions

Reviewer Notes Updated and submitted

Outstanding Requirement(s)

15c. Include copies of the specific Dispatch Steering Committee (DSC) minutes with verification that all response assignments are approved.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 16. Maintenance and Modification Processes for Local Response Assignments to MPDS Determinant Codes

16a. Provide documentation describing how local MPDS response assignments are regularly reviewed and how recommended changes are approved.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 17. The Communication Center's Incident (Number of Occurrences) of All MPDS Codes and Levels of the Six Months Immediately Preceding Applicants

17a. Each Chief Complaint (1-37).

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

17b. Each individual Determinant Code (approximately 393).

Meets ACE Standard Assessment

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

17c. Each Determinant Level (Ω , A, B, C, D, and E).

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 18. Appointments and Appropriate Involvement of the Medical Director to Provide Oversight of the Center's EMD Activities

18a. List the name, address, license number, and country/state/province (or equivalent) in which the Medical Director is licensed to practice.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

18b. Include a copy of the documentation appointing the Medical Director.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Wicets ACL Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

18c. List the approved roles and responsibilities of the Medical Director within the dispatch system.

Assessment

Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

Section 19. Agreement to Share Non-Confidential EMD data With the Academy and Others for the Improvement of the MPDS and the Enhancement of EMD in General

19a. Include written verification, signed by the agency's senior executive, agreeing to the above requirement.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

19b. Include written verification, signed by the agency's senior executive, agreeing to submit the quarterly compliance summary reports to the Academy (submitted electronically through the Academy's website).

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Section 20. Agreement to Abide by the Academy's Code of Ethics, Code of Conduct, and the Standards Set Forth for an Accredited Center of Excellence

20a. Include written verification, signed by the agency's senior executive, agreeing to the above requirement.

Assessment Meets ACE Standard after clarification

AD Comments

Reviewer Notes Originally missing code of conduct - update to include all three

Outstanding Requirement(s)

20b. Provide the date, location, and verification of the prominent posting of the Code of Ethics, Code of Conduct, and standards

Assessment Meets ACE Standard

AD Comments
Reviewer Notes

Outstanding Requirement(s)

GENERAL REVIEW COMMENTS:

CONFIRE did a wonderful job on this package. It was well organized, and their policies are easy to read. Kristen was great to work with. If a clarification was required she quickly got to work updating the point. Their staff clearly take pride in their job, they follow the protocols well, and provide fantastic customer service. Great work.

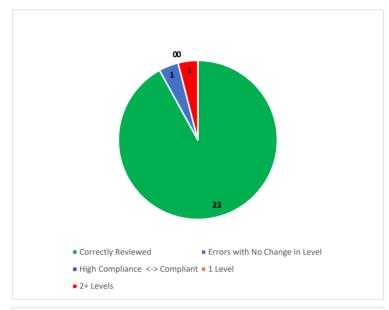


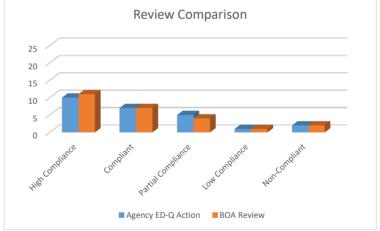


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COMPLIANCE VARIANCE		
Correctly Reviewed	23	
Errors with No Change in Level	1	
High Compliance <-> Compliant	0	
1 Level	0	
2+ Levels	1	

REVIEWS		
AGENCY ED-Q		
High Compliance	10	
Compliant	7	
Partial Compliance	5	
Low Compliance	1	
Non-Compliant	2	
BOA REVIEWER		25
High Compliance	11	
Compliant	7	
Partial Compliance	4	
Low Compliance	1	
Non-Compliant	2	





Case Type	AQUA#	Agency Compliance	BOA Compliance	Variance	Comments
					Call taker was very persistent with the caller who was extremely hard to get an
PAI-1	PAI - 2791526	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	answer from. Caller was very vague and provided conflicting information.
PAI-2	PAI - 2760990	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
PAI-3	PAI - 2733122	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-1	2805023	NON COMPLIANCE	NON COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-2	2803298	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-3	2801599	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-4	2799741	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-5	2799016	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-6	2797481	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	AQUA - subchief compliant marked as NA when it was used - no score change
Random-7	2797535	LOW COMPLIANCE	LOW COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-8	2796908	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-9	2794756	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-10	2794764	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-11	2794121	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	2+ Levels	There was a space before the letter in the final coding suffix, causing a partial compliance deduction when it should have been high compliant
Random-12	2790365	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	PARTIAL COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-13	2788088	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-14	2788238	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-15	2786385	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-16	2785044	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-17	2784093	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-18	2783314	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-19	2783268	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	
Random-20	2782266	COMPLIANT	COMPLIANT	Correctly Reviewed	AQUA errors - PDIs were not marked as obvious or NA - No change in the AQUA score.
Random-21	2782351	NON COMPLIANCE	NON COMPLIANCE	Errors with No Change in Level	Inappropriate clarifier "You fell through the wood?" This call taker did a wonderful job reassuring this patient multiple times that help was on the way.
Random-22	2779650	HIGH COMPLIANCE	HIGH COMPLIANCE	Correctly Reviewed	

This area is for General Comments and Notes:

The scoring of the calls were extremely accurate. The reviewers obviously have a good understanding of the Performance Standards. They easily picked up on inappropriate clarifiers and where there were errors explained why it was considered an error. The call takers were very polite, professional and obviously adhere to policy extremely well.

Great work.