EMS SYSTEM ADVISORY #2020-06/01

TO: Riverside County EMS System
FROM: Trevor Douville, EMS Administrator
SUBJECT: Riverside County-wide Curfew Order
DATE: June 1, 2020

Riverside County has issued a Countywide curfew order. The order will be in effect beginning 1800 hours today until 0600 hours tomorrow. Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) have gone out to notify residents. The curfew order provides exceptions for delivering or seeking emergency care, those traveling for essential work and the homeless that are sheltering in place.

REMSA has been made aware of multiple planned protests/civil unrest events, throughout the County, some that are scheduled today, and others for later in the week. EMD, REMSA and our law enforcement partners will continue to collaborate, share situational awareness and prepare for potential violence at such events. Multiple businesses are preparing with early closures, or reinforcing physical structures.

Implications for road closures, detours, or staging areas as may be needed will be shared with agency communications centers as they are known or activated.

We recognize the potential risks to our Emergency Responders in the current climate, and ask that you are diligent about protecting your safety/your crew and team safety. Utilize the appropriate treatment protocols to manage any patient(s) that may need to be treated as a result of any civil unrest, activating multi-patient or mass casualty protocols as clinically indicated.

As we navigate this unsettling time: If you see something, say something by reporting to the applicable law enforcement agency and your supervision team. We are partnering together to protect the community, protesters and also each other in the emergency responder community.

Stay safe!