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POLICY MEMORANDUM 3310

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SUBJECT: FIRELINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL PARAMEDIC (FEMP) AND FIRELINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (FEMT)

AUTHORITY: CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE, DIVISION 2.5, 1797.204, 1797.220, and 1798 (a)(b); California Code of Regulations, Division 9, Sections 100165 and 100167

PURPOSE/POLICY: To allow Solano County accredited Paramedics or Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) to function as FIRELINE Emergency Medical Paramedics (FEMP) or FIRELINE Emergency Medical Technicians (FEMT) in the event of a request made through the California fire mutual aid system.

I. Fire Line Emergency Medical Technician (FEMT) or Fire Line Emergency Medical Paramedic (FEMP)

A. Qualifications:

1. Must be a Solano County accredited Emergency Medical Technician or Paramedic.
 - a) The EMT or Paramedic must be affiliated with and deployed through a Solano County Fire Agency.

- b) Proposed EMT(s) and/or Paramedic(s) must be approved by the Solano County California Incident Command Certification System (CICCS) Committee through the Solano County Fire Chiefs Association.
 - c) The Solano County CICCS Mutual Aid Area Coordinator will submit a list to the EMS Agency of those individuals who are qualified to act as FEMT or FEMP by May 31 of each calendar year (before the fire season).
 2. Must comply with the required training listed in FireScope Incident Command System Position Manual: Fireline Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic FEMP ICS 223-11 dated May 16, 2011. Fire Department(s) may develop policy, procedure, and protocols associated with FEMT/FEMP. In the event multiple policies exist, the more stringent requirements/qualifications will supersede those in this policy.
 3. FEMT/FEMP Scope of practice will be limited to the most current Solano County Basic Life Support (BLS) or Advanced Life Support (ALS) Protocols.
- B. FEMT/FEMP's Home Fire Agency Requirements:
1. Ensure the FEMT/FEMP use the most current Solano County BLS and ALS Treatment Protocols.
 2. Provide appropriate quality improvement and supervision.
 3. Report to Solano County EMS any adverse incident(s) that the FEMT/FEMP is involved in, or a party to, using a Field Advisory Report (FAR).
 4. Maintain documentation of compliance with this policy. The FEMT/FEMP's home fire agency may be subject to periodic review of documentation. Compliance documentation (e. g. records of completion of required training, proof of affiliation with a Solano County Fire Agency, etc.) must be maintained on file for 36 months.
- C. Requirement Equipment:
- At a minimum, the approved equipment listed in attachments A and B must be available as necessary.
- D. Treatment Procedures and Documentation:
1. The FEMT/FEMP will follow and treat patients using the most current Solano County BLS or ALS Protocols.
 2. The FEMT/FEMP will complete and provide to the EMS Agency a Patient Care Report (PCR) in accordance with Solano County Policies.
 3. The FEMT/FEMP will follow Solano County's Policy for Refusal of Medical Assistance (RMA).

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Attachment A

BLS Equipment List

- Airways – Oral / Nasal Pharyngeal Kit (minimum quantity 1)
- Bag Valve Mask (1)
- Bandage, Sterile 4 X 4 (6)
- Bandage, Triangular (2)
- Biohazard Bag (2)
- Cervical Collar, Adjustable (1)
- Coban Wraps / Ace Bandage (2 ea.)
- Cold Pack (3)
- Dextrose (1)
- Dressing, Multi-Trauma (4)
- Exam Gloves
- Kerlix, Kling, 4.5 Sterile (2)
- Pen Light (1)
- Petroleum Dressing (2)
- Sheet, Burn or equivalent (2)
- Sphygmomanometer (1)
- Splint, Moldable
- Stethoscope (1)
- Suction, Manual Device (1)
- Tape, 1 inch, Cloth (2 rolls)
- Thermometer, Digital (1)
- Triangular Dressing with Pin (2)
- Triage Tags (6)

Attachment B

ALS Equipment List

ALS Airway Equipment:

- Endotracheal Intubation Equipment (cuffed endotracheal tubes, 2 each of 7.0, 7.5, 8.0 and 1 each of 6.0, 6.5; un-cuffed endotracheal tubes, 1 each of 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, 4.0, 4.5, 5.0 and 5.5); adult straight # 4 blade; adult curved # 3 blade; infant straight # 1 blade; infant curved # 2 blade; stylette and handle
- Rescue Airway (minimum quantity 1) such as a King or Combi-tube
- ETT Restraint (1)
- End Tidal CO₂ Detector
- Needle Thoracostomy Kit (1)

IV/Medication Administration Supplies:

- 1 ml TB syringe (2)
- 10 ml Syringe (2)
- 14 ga. IV Catheter (2)
- 16 ga. IV Catheter (2)
- 18 ga. IV Catheter (2)
- 18 ga. Needle (4)
- 20 ga. IV Catheter (2)
- 25 ga. Needle (2)
- Alcohol Preps (6)
- Betadine Swabs (4)
- Glucometer Test Strips (4)
- IV Administration Set-Macro-Drip (2)
- Lancet (4)
- Razor (1)
- Tourniquet (2)
- Transpore Tape (1)
- Venaguard (2)

Miscellaneous:

- Sharps Container (1)
- PCR (6)
- RMA Forms (3)
- Triage Tags (6)

Biomedical Equipment:

- AED/SAD Patches or Monitor Leads and Patches (2)
- Compact AED/SAD or EKG Monitor (waveform display preferred) (1)
- Glucometer (1)
- Pulse Oximeter (1)

Medications:

- Aerosolized Beta 2 Specific Bronchodilator (Albuterol; 0.84% solution) (4 for nebulization)
- Aspirin – Chewable (325 mg) (1 bottle)
- Atropine Injectable – 1.0 mg (2)
- Dextrose 50% Injectable 25 Gram Pre-Load (1)
- Diphenhydramine Injectable 50 mg (4)
- Epinephrine Injectable 1:1,000 1mg (4)
- Epinephrine Injectable 1:10,000 1mg (2)
- Glucagon 1mg/unit (1)
- Lidocaine Injectable 100mg (2)
- Normal Saline 0.9 % IV 1,000 ml – can be configured into two 500 ml bags or four 250 ml bags
- Nitroglycerin 0.4mg tablet or spray (1)
- Morphine Sulfate 10mg/ml (2) }
- Versed 5mg/2ml (2) }

And appropriate double locking device
to carry approved narcotics.