

**UPDATES OF STANDING ORDERS / BASE HOSPITAL TREATMENT
GUIDELINES/ PROCEDURE GUIDELINES****I. AUTHORITY:**

California Title 22, Div 9, sections 100107; 100170.

II. APPLICATION:

This policy defines the standard scheduling for introduction and implementation of updated or new Orange County Emergency Medical Services (OCEMS) Standing Orders, Base Hospital Treatment Guidelines, and EMS Procedure Guidelines. See OCEMS Policy # 080.00 for posting of revised or new policies.

Variation from the standard update schedule for revised/new Standing Orders, Base Hospital Treatment Guidelines, and EMS Procedure Guidelines as defined in this policy may take place when required to immediately assure community health and safety.

III. POLICY:

- A. Initial postings of revised or new Standing Orders, Base Hospital Guidelines, and EMS Procedures Guidelines will occur on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year. Electronic notification via the OCEMS distribution list will take place to notify system participants.
- B. Final version postings will take place on February 1st and August 1st of the update cycle.
- C. The final dates for implementation will be April 1st and October 1st.

Initial Posting	Final Posting	Final Implementation
January 1	February 1	April 1
July 1	August 1	October 1

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