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I. PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT:

The Sacramento County Department of Health & Human Services, Emergency Medical Services Agency (SCEMS) and its Medical and Operational Oversight Committees proudly present the Sacramento County Emergency Medical Services Program Document Manual. The driving force behind the production of this document has been the paramedics, physicians, and nurses from local emergency medical service providers. These health care professionals, and the County of Sacramento, are dedicated to a coordinated, medically driven EMS system, which provides high-quality emergency care for all residents and visitors to Sacramento County.

This Program Document Manual contains all local out-of-hospital SCEMS policies, procedures and treatment protocols. The fundamental philosophy of the SCEMS System, and therefore Program Document Manual, is that all patients are provided the best possible care and safely transported to the time-closest, appropriate facility.

II. DISCLAIMER:

The policies, procedures and treatment protocols contained in this manual are the only ones to be utilized when providing care to patients in Sacramento County. Any and all previous existing policies, procedures and protocols are not authorized and shall not be followed.

III. AUTHORITY:

The authority to promulgate this Manual is granted by: Title 22, Division 9, of the California Code of Regulations; Division 2.5, of the California Health and Safety Code, and Resolution 90-1200, by the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors.