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EMS Medical Director

Chief, Emergency Medical Services

I. INTENT:


This program document outlines the scope of practice of Emergency Medical Technician - Paramedic (EMT-P) personnel practicing in Sacramento County. Any activity conducted outside this established scope of practice places the individual's certificate at risk for certification review in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 4.

II. AUTHORITY:

- A. Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Ch. 4, Art. 1, §1797.220; Ch. 5, §1798(a,b) and §1798.2.
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Ch. 4, Art. 2, §100145.

III. AUTHORIZED SCEMS SCOPE OF PRACTICE:


- A. Administer intravenous (IV) glucose solutions.
- B. Administer isotonic balanced saline solutions.
- C. Institute IV catheters and saline locks in peripheral veins.
- D. Use glucose measuring device.
- E. Perform pulmonary ventilation by use of lower airway multi-lumen adjuncts, the esophageal airway, supraglottic airway, stomal intubation, Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP), and adult oral endotracheal intubation.
- F. Perform defibrillation.
- G. Perform synchronized cardioversion.
- H. Visualize the airway by use of the laryngoscope and remove foreign body (ies) with forceps.
- I. Perform needle thoracostomy.

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J. Perform Valsalva Maneuvers.

K. Medications:

1. 25% and 50% Glucose
2. Albuterol
3. Aspirin
4. Atropine Sulfate
5. Diphenhydramine HCl
6. Dopamine HCl
7. Epinephrine
10. Furosemide
11. Glucagon
12. Lidocaine HCl
13. Midazolam
14. Morphine Sulfate
15. Naloxone HCl
16. Nitroglycerin preparations: sublingual tablet, spray, or paste
17. Oxymetazoline HCl
18. Phenylephrine HCl
19. Sodium Bicarbonate
20. 2-PAM HCL

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IV. AUTHORIZED SCEMS OPTIONAL SCOPE OF PRACTICE:

- A. Nasotracheal Intubation
- B. 12 Lead EKG
- C. Needle Cricothyrotomy with jet insufflation
- D. Pediatric Endotracheal Intubation
- E. Intraosseous Access/Infusion
- F. Transcutaneous Cardiac Pacing
- G. Automatic Transport Ventilators