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FIRELINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT) PROGRAM

PURPOSE

To establish procedures for Fireline EMT response from and to agencies within or outside the Yolo County Emergency Medical Services Agency (YEMSA) jurisdiction when requested through the statewide Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System, to respond to and provide Basic Life Support (BLS) care on the fire line at wildland fires.

AUTHORITY

Health & Safety Code, Division 2.5, Chapter 4, Article 1, §§ 1797.204, 1797.220 California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 2, Article 4, § 100079 California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 2, Article 5, § 100080 California Fire Service and Rescue Emergency Mutual Aid System, Mutual Aid Plan, (3-2002)

DEFINITIONS

Fireline EMT: An EMT who meets all pre-requisites established by FIrefighting RESources of California Organized for Potential Emergencies (FIRESCOPE) and is authorized by their department to provide BLS treatment on the fire line.

PRINCIPLE

I. When requested by an Incident Management team, an EMT may utilize the Scope of Practice for which they are trained and certified according to the policies and procedures established by YEMSA.

PROCEDURE

- I. Fireline EMT programs shall be reviewed and approved by YEMSA.
- II. Designation by the EMT's YEMSA approved BLS Service Provider Agency as a Fireline EMT ensures that the EMT has completed standard FIRESCOPE education.
- III. The Fireline EMT shall present their credentials (YEMSA EMT certificate/card and department identification) to the Medical Unit Leader upon arrival at the incident.
- IV. Under the authority of California State regulations, an EMT may render BLS care during emergency operations as long as the following conditions are met:
 - A. The EMT is currently certified by a LEMSA within California.
 - B. The EMT is currently employed with an approved BLS Service Provider Agency and possesses the requisite wildland fire line skills and equipment.
 - C. The EMT does not exceed the Scope of Practice or Medical Control policies from their LEMSA of origin.
- V. The Fireline EMT will follow all YEMSA policies and treatment protocols in the provision of BLS care on the fire line.



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- VI. Documentation of patient care will be completed as indicated in YEMSA 'Patient Care Report (PCR) Form' or approved inner agency form.
- VII. YEMSA approved Fireline EMT personnel will carry the items listed in YEMSA 'Fireline EMT Inventory' policy, when responding to wildland fires to provide BLS care in such a capacity.

INVENTORY/EQUIPMENT LIST

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT

Adhesive Tape 1", 2", or 3" Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Bag Valve Mask (BVM) self-inflating, capable of use with O₂, (Adult/Pediatric/Infant; mask sizes: Adult/Child/Infant/Neonate) (1) Band Aids (various sizes) Biohazard Waste Bag (Red) (2) Blood Pressure Cuff – Portable (Adult/Large) Burn Sheet, or equivalent (2) Cell Phone (1) Cervical Collar, Adjustable (1) Coban Wraps/Ace Bandages (2 each) Cold/Hot Packs (3) Dextrose (Oral Glucose) (1) Emergency Blanket Thermal or equivalent (Reflective Foil) (2) Gloves, Exam (box) Glucometer (1), (with lancets and test strips, 10 each) OPTIONAL Kerlix/Kling 4.5 Sterile (2) King Tube (1) OPTIONAL Mask, Face, Disposable w/eye shield (1) Medication, Epi Auto Injector (Adult) OPTIONAL Medication, Narcan Pre-Loaded OPTIONAL Mole Skin Multi-Trauma Dressing, Sterile (4) Nasopharyngeal Airways: 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, (1) Oropharyngeal Airways: 00, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, (1) Pen Light (1) Petroleum Dressing (2) Pulse Ox with Probes (Adult/Pediatric) (1) OPTIONAL QuickClot Dressing, Z-Fold Saline (1) Splints, Moldable, Soft or Cushioned Surface or Equivalent Padded Board, Wrap Around, Wire Ladder, Inflatable, Vacuum, or Cardboard (2) Stethoscope - Adult/Pediatric (or combination) (1) Suction, Portable Manual Device (1) Thermometer, Digital (1) Tourniquet, (C-A-T or Sof-T) (2) **Trauma Sheers** Triage Tags (6) Triangular Bandages 40" (2)

MISCELLANEOUS

AMA/RAS Forms FEMP Pack Inventory Sheet (1) Controlled Substance Storage (per local protocol/agency specific) Patient Care Record (PCR) (6)