



Yolo County Health and Human Services



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TO: Yolo County Providers and Agencies

FROM: Yolo County EMS Agency

SUBJECT: January 1, 2019 EMS Revisions Update

MEMORANDUM

Effective January 1, 2019 the attached Policies, Protocols and Procedures will go into effect for all Yolo County Providers. The protocol App and Website will be updated. It is the responsibility of each agency to ensure that their personnel receive this information.

Policies and protocols are updated two (2) times a year, January 1st and July 1st.

Two (2) new medications, Ketorolac and Ketamine and a new Supraglottic Airway called i-gel[®], have been approved by the Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMSA) and training is required for all EMS providers using these new medications and devices. YEMSA has created a Protocol update training on Mindlash. This is a **MANDATORY** training for all **ALS Providers** and must be completed by **December 31, 2018**.

Mandatory Protocol Training Link

✓ <https://yolocountyemsagency.mindflash.com/PublicCoursePage.aspx?c=12903631214>

Please review the additions and changes thoroughly. If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Weivoda at (530) 666-8671 or kristin.weivoda@yolocounty.org

UPDATES

Protocols:

Pediatric Patient Care

UPDATED: A pediatric patient is now defined as **less than or equal to (\leq) 15 years of age**. This applies to all protocols and procedures unless stated otherwise (All documents will be updated to reflect this change).

Acute Respiratory Distress

NEW: Bronchospasm was added to the ALS section

NEW: Additional items were added to the Consider section

Pain Management

NEW: Ketorolac was added to the ALS section for adult patients with mild to moderate pain

NEW: Ketamine was added to the ALS section for adult patients with severe pain

UPDATED: Language added: Base Physician contact for pain management consultation for patients < 4 years old with severe pain

REMOVED: Fentanyl was removed as a pain management medication for adult patients. It will remain for cardiac related pain and pediatric patients.

TXA Tranexamic Acid

UPDATED: Replaced 15 years or older with Adult

Mental Health Triage

NEW: A Mental Health Triage Form has been added to the ALS section for the assessment of patients experiencing a mental health crisis

NEW: A Mental Health Triage Protocol has been added to the ALS section for the management of patients experiencing a mental health crisis

Procedure:

Airway Management

NEW: The Supraglottic Airway device i-gel® has been added to the ALS treatment section for adult and pediatric airway management

Policies:

Cancellation or Reduction of Advanced Life Support (ALS) Response

UPDATED: Replaced < 12 years old with < 15 years old

Quick Reference:

Stroke Receiving Center Map

UPDATED: The Stroke Receiving Center map has been updated to reflect UC Davis Medical Center as a Stroke Receiving Center

High Performance CPR

NEW: A High Performance CPR (HP-CPR) Guide

Medication Profile:

NEW: A Medication Profile Section has been added. (Attached are the current pain medications). All other medications will be available January 1st, 2019

Skill Sheets:

NEW: Skills Competency Verification: Supraglottic Airway (i-gel®) Form