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DATE: September 5, 2019

TO: EMS Distribution List - All

FROM: Carl H. Schultz, MD *CHS*
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SUBJECT: Removal of I-20 ALS Standing Orders

Effective September 6, 2019, ALS Standing Order I-20 will be removed from the EMS website and will no longer be formally part of the Orange County EMS. This document was never intended to replace the various EMS policies and standing orders that it summarized but was created as an aid or guideline. Instead, it has been used in place of the more detailed policies and standing orders that generated I-20. This has resulted in medical errors that make the continued use of this standing order problematic.

In addition, it has proved difficult to maintain this document in a usable fashion. As such, it will be removed.

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DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2019

TO: BASE HOSPITAL COORDINATORS
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PARAMEDIC TRAINING CENTERS

FROM: CARL H. SCHULTZ, MD
ORANGE COUNTY EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR

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SUBJECT: ADDITION OF NEW EMS DOCUMENTS AND
CLARIFICATIONS/UPDATES OF EXISTING DOCUMENTS

The Orange County EMS Agency reviews, updates, and makes additions to its policies, procedures, and standing orders on a biannual basis. The EMS Agency has recently completed this task for the October 1 release. Clarifications and updates have been made to documents so they reflect current standards and practice. In addition, new documents on the management of hyperglycemic patients, ventilator procedures, and base hospital treatment guidelines for hyperglycemia have been added. The documents are listed below. A brief description adjacent to each document identifier summarizes the changes made. Please see our website at <http://www.healthdisasteroc.org/ems> for the newly edited versions.

DOCUMENTS FOR OCTOBER 1 EMS UPDATES

STANDING ORDERS

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|----------|--|
| SO-C-10 | Adult/Adolescent cardiac arrest (incorporating Pit Crew process) |
| SO-M-10 | Hyperglycemia (new SO) |
| SO-M-50 | Adult Overdose (clarify hypoglycemia language) |
| SO-P-110 | Pediatric LVADs (addition of CCERC for base contact) |
| SO-P-40 | Pediatric cardiac arrest (make base hospital contact ASAP with CCERC preferred) |
| SO-P-60 | Pediatric Allergic Reaction/Anaphylaxis (epinephrine dose, ALS transport for use of epi-pen) |
| SO-P-85 | Pediatric Overdose (change atropine dosing) |
| SO-P-95 | Pediatric Burn (addition of CCERC contact for serious burn) |

POLICY

090.00	Definitions (adding base hospital to definition of CCERC)
200.00	EMS Transportation Providers (clarifying role of provider)
310.00	911 ALS Base Contact, Standing Orders (adding CCERC pilot process to policy)
398.00	Intranasal Naloxone by Public Safety First Responders (simplifying language and requirements in the Notifications, Approved Departments, Training, Procedure, and Data Collection paragraphs)
610.00	Base Hospital Criteria (CCERCs and trauma centers must be base hospitals; BHs must provide audio recordings of calls to OCEMS medical director if requested; 30 day OCEMS notification for staff/certification changes)

PROCEDURES – ALS & BLS

B-001	PAT (clarifying language; primary survey to primary impression)
B-040a	Remove trauma as contraindication for ACCD band type
B-040b	Remove trauma as contraindication for ACCD plunger type
PR-001	PAT (clarifying language; primary survey to primary impression)
PR-105	12-lead EKG (clarifying indications for EKGs)
PR-135	SGA device i-gel (adding documentation requirement to Procedure section; includes ETCO ₂)
PR-240	Transport Ventilator use (new PR)

BASE HOSPITAL TREATMENT GUIDELINES

BH-M-10	Hyperglycemia (new)
BH-M-35	Respiratory Distress Adult/Adolescent (added needle T for spontaneous tension pneumothorax)

In addition, due to California State mandated changes, the following two policies have been modified and posted for 50 day public comment.

630.00	CVRC designation (Calif. Regs on STEMI system)
650.00	SNRC designation (Calif. Regs on Stroke system)

Once the comment period closes, final changes will be made to these two policies reflecting comments received. They will subsequently be posted on the EMS website.

The following OCEMS Policies/Procedures are posted for public comment

- Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #650.00: Stroke Neurology Receiving Center Criteria

Public Comment Period will run for an additional 15-days from October 15, 2019 through October 30, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

- Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #630.00: Cardiovascular Receiving Center Criteria

Public Comment Period will run from September 4, 2019 to October 24, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

- Orange County EMS Policy/Procedure #680.00: Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center Designation Criteria

Public Comment Period will run from October 4, 2019 to November 23, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

To submit public comments and view the revised policies, please visit our website: www.healthdisasteroc.org/ems. The portal for viewing the policies and for making public comments may be found under the following links:

"Policies for 15-Day Public Comment" (for Policy #650.00)

"Policies for 50-Day Public Comment" (for Policies 630.00 and #680.00)



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FROM: CARL H. SCHULTZ, MD
ORANGE COUNTY EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR

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SUBJECT: 15 DAY COMMENT PERIOD FOR POLICY # 650.00 STROKE-
NEUROLOGY RECEIVING CENTER DESIGNATION CRITERIA

The Orange County EMS Agency recently posted a revision of the Stroke-Neurology Receiving Center Designation Criteria Policy #650.00 for 50 day public comment. After this comment period closed, several of the suggested modifications were incorporated into an updated draft of the document. The latest version of the 650.00 policy containing the new language is now posted to Orange Count EMS website for an additional 15 day comment period. The new language can be identified by the bolded text found within the document.

Please see our website at <http://www.healthdisasteroc.org/ems> for the newly revised version. The public comment portal and the policy itself can be accessed by clicking on the "Policies for 15-Day Public Comment" banner in the left hand column.

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