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TO: ORANGE COUNTY EMS DISTRIBUTION LIST

FROM: Carl Schultz, MD, FACEP *CAS*  
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SUBJECT: Radio contact for 911 EMS pediatric patients

Effective Monday morning, February 4, at 7:00 am, policy 310.05 authorizing the Comprehensive Children's Emergency Receiving Center (CCERC) Contact and Transport Criteria pilot project will be in effect. A copy of that policy is attached.

Orange County EMS is fortunate to have two CCERCs – CHOC Children's and Mission Hospital Regional Medical Center. *Paramedics treating pediatric patients (age under 15) whose condition requires base hospital contact should contact OCC per usual procedure and request either CHOC or Mission, depending on incident location.* These CCERCs are also available for base hospital contact any time a paramedic desires consultation for pediatric patients.

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Any questions about the project should be directed to Vicki Sweet, MSN, RN, ALS/CQI Coordinator at OCEMS. 714-834-2926 or [vsweet@ochca.com](mailto:vsweet@ochca.com)

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**DATE:** April 1, 2019

**TO:** BASE HOSPITAL COORDINATORS  
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**FROM:** CARL H. SCHULTZ, MD *CAS*  
MEDICAL DIRECTOR, ORANGE COUNTY EMS AGENCY

**SUBJECT:** RECENT CLARIFICATIONS OF EXISTING POLICIES

The EMS Agency has recently reviewed several polices and standing orders for accuracy. Clarifications of language have been made to the documents listed below. Summaries of these changes are listed here. Please see our website at <http://www.healthdisasteroc.org/ems> for the newly edited versions.

#### SO-AMA Signing Against Medical Advice (AMA) in the Field

Replace "Power of Attorney" and "legal representative" with "legal guardian".  
Add "A minor who is not self-sufficient may still be released if a responsible adult is present (see SO-REL)" to Section II.1.b.  
Add Section II.2. and II.2.a. defining minor who cannot sign out AMA  
Clarifying definition of emancipated minor

#### SO- REL Evaluation without Treatment or EMS Transport (Release in the Field)

Expands description of requirements for identifying when no medical intervention is needed, including exclusion of psychiatric emergencies  
Describes additional conditions when minors can be left in the field  
Replace "legal representative" with "legal guardian"

#### 330.20 Evaluation, Treatment, and/or Transport of Minors

Expand all policy elements to include evaluation, treatment, and/or transport  
Clarifying the need to obtain consent from parents or legal guardians even if not on scene but that such activity should not delay care (III.B.1.a.)  
Clarify the role of implied consent (III.B.2.)  
Permit release of minor to responsible adult or caregiver if no medical intervention needed (III.C.2.c.)

400.00 Mobile Intensive Care Nurse (MICN) Authorization

Reorganized MICN document so descriptions and categories follow in a more logical order

Added language identifying specific requirements for MICNs working in a CCERC base Hospital

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