

SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF A PARAMEDIC BASE HOSPITAL

Date: 07/01/05

- I. **Authority:** Division 2.5, Health and Safety Code, Section 1798.100 through 105.
- II. **Purpose:** To establish a mechanism for termination of Paramedic Base Hospital designation.
- III. **Policy:**
 - A. Termination for Cause:
 1. County of San Diego, Health and Human Services Agency Emergency Medical Services Branch (EMS Branch) may immediately terminate the Base Hospital Contract if a Base Hospital's license to operate as a general acute care hospital is revoked or suspended.
 2. County of San Diego may immediately suspend its Contract upon written notice if a Base Hospital is in gross default of material obligation under its agreement, which default adversely affects patient care.
 3. For any other material breach of its agreement, County of San Diego may terminate a Base Hospital Contract for cause, if the cause is not cured within 15 days after a written notice specifying the cause is delivered. Such cause shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Failure to comply with material terms and conditions of the Base Hospital Contract, after notice of the failure has been given.
 - b. Failure to make available sufficient personnel as required by the Contract.
 - c. Gross misrepresentation or fraud.
 - d. Substantial failure to cooperate with the County's monitoring of Base Hospital

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Administration

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- e. Substantial failure or refusal to cooperate with quality assurance and audit
 - f. findings and recommendations within a reasonable time.
4. If, within the fifteen (15) days after delivery of the written notice of cause, the material breach has not been cured to the reasonable satisfaction of the County's representative, then the County may terminate the Base Hospital Contract effective as of a date specified in a written notice of termination delivered thereafter.
5. If, after notice of termination of the Base Hospital contract for cause, which is not voluntarily withdrawn as stated above, it is determined for any reason that the Base Hospital was not in default under the provisions of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to the termination for convenience agreement.

B. Termination for Convenience:

Either the County or the Base Hospital may terminate the Base Hospital contract, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party, as a termination for convenience.

- C. Upon the de-designation of a Base Hospital, the local EMS Agency shall be responsible for system redesign decisions.

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