

SUBJECT: EMS FOR CHILDREN (EMSC) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Date: 07/19/02

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- I. **Authority:** Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1798 and 1797.204 and Chapter 12, 1799.
- II. **Purpose:** To establish the scope, membership and functions of an advisory committee to the Division of Emergency Medical Services (EMS). This committee will provide consultation, medical protocol review, evaluate and make recommendations regarding medical care, access to care, medical preparedness, community preparedness and illness and injury prevention regarding children to the Medical Director of the Division of Emergency Medical Services (EMS).¹
- III. **Policy:** The EMS Medical Director may consult with the EMSC Advisory Committee on issues concerning pediatric system, protocol, education, medical care delivery, community preparedness and prevention within County of San Diego.
- A. Membership: The EMS-C Advisory/Steering Committee will have the following membership:
1. Base Station Physicians' Committee representative;
 2. Hospital Administration /Association Representative;
 3. One physician member representing Children's Hospital Emergency Dept. physician staff;
 4. One physician member representing the Medical Society Emergency Physicians or a Non-Trauma Center, non-Base Hospital Emergency Department physician;
 5. One physician member representing AAP or COPEM;
 6. One physician member representing U.S. Naval Hospital;
 7. One physician member representing private practice pediatrics;
 8. One member representing Community Injury Prevention;
 9. One member representing approved paramedic training programs;
 10. One member representing the San Diego County Paramedic Association;
 11. One member representing the Base Hospital Nurse Coordinators Committee;
 12. One member representing Children's Hospital Emergency Department nursing staff;
 13. One member representing the pediatric Trauma Center; and,
 14. One member representing community, i.e. Parents-Teachers Association.

¹ EMSC Project, Final Report, CA EMSA #196, 1994
EMSC Five Year Plan, Goals & Objectives 2001-5, CA EMSA

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B. The responsibilities of the EMS-C Advisory Committee are:

1. To develop a system EMS-C plan listing goals, priorities and time line.
2. To convene small task forces of the Advisory Committee and others to work with the EMS Medical Director or designee on specific medical management issues and community initiatives.
3. To consult with other medical specialties, community representatives or other advisory bodies in the County of San Diego, as necessary.
4. To provide steering recommendations for the implementation of EMSC related projects.
5. To develop recommended policy/guidelines/protocols/procedures concerning medical care delivery for children, community preparedness, access to medical care and illness and injury prevention.
6. To develop programs providing public education concerning EMSC and related projects.
7. To participate in the implementation of approved policy/guidelines/programs/ protocols/ procedures concerning access to and medical care delivery for children, community preparedness and illness and injury prevention as requested by EMS.

C. Attendance:

1. Members should notify Division of EMS staff (619-285-6429) in advance of any scheduled meeting they would be unable to attend.
2. An appointed member may be replaced after two consecutive absences.

D. Voting:

1. Due to the "advisory" nature of the committee, many issues require consensus rather than a vote process. The Chairman will identify issues requiring a vote and the vote process.
2. When voting is required, a simple majority of committee members needs to be present. Members may not participate in voting when a conflict of interest exists.

E. Meetings:

The committee shall meet at least four (4) times per year at times arranged by the Division of EMS.

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