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## **COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO EMS TRAINING PROGRAM, APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

On March 30, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom issued [Executive Order N-39-20](#). This Executive Order authorizes the California Emergency Medical Service Authority (EMSA) to waive specific regulations. On May 18, 2020, the EMSA Director issued a [Revised EMSA Policy on EMS Licensure, Certification, and Training Guidance](#). This policy allows for specific adjustments to facilitate a safe learning environment for EMT students and the continued operation of the EMS system.

County of San Diego-approved training programs are authorized to proceed with high fidelity simulation, scenarios, or other innovative educational environments during the clinical training phase. This program approval modification will continue as long as Executive Order N-39-20 remains in effect.

Training shall comply with all appropriate interventions, including enhanced hygiene, protective equipment, and physical distancing, wherever possible.

Thank you for your continued support and attention to managing this unprecedented event. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance for [EMS providers](#) and [healthcare personnel](#) are continuously updated. All healthcare personnel should review these recommendations regularly.

Respectfully,

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