Division: Emergency Medical Services Agency

Effective Date: 12/1/2021

POLICY #001: Policy, Procedure, and Protocol Review Process

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a process for the review of a new and/or revised draft policy, procedure, and protocol.

II. SCOPE

- A. This policy applies to the following:
 - 1. All new and/or revised draft policies, procedures, and protocols (PPP) intended for use by the EMS Agency personnel, EMS provider agencies and organizations, and prehospital EMS personnel.
- B. Exceptions to this policy includes:
 - Changes reflecting State Law, County Board of Supervisors' Resolution and/or the County of San Luis Obispo Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMS Agency) Medical Director's medical directives/guidelines and/or internal administrative procedures.

III. PROCESS

- A. EMS Agency will distribute proposed and/or revised PPP to the appropriate Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) advisory subcommittee(s) for response to those items within the scope of its review.
- B. Responses will be reviewed by EMS Agency for compliance with State Law/regulations, and then forwarded to the EMCC for review and approval.
- C. The EMCC recommendation(s) for approval and denial of approval will be forwarded to EMS Agency Director and Medical Director for further consideration.
- D. PPP approved by the EMS Agency's Director and Medical Director shall be made effective with a noted effective date.

IV. AUTHORITY

- California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.220
- California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

Approvals:

EMS Agency, Administrator

EMS Agency, Medical Director