# **Monterey County EMS System Policy**



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## EMT-EXPANDED SCOPE TRAINING PROGRAM

#### I. **PURPOSE**

To establish standards for EMT-Expanded Scope Training Programs.

To establish the process and criteria for approval as an EMT-Expanded Scope Training Programs.

### II. POLICY

- A. EMT-Expanded Scope training may be provided by Monterey County based EMT training programs when approved by the Monterey County EMS Agency.
- B. EMT-Expanded Scope training may be provided by Monterey County EMS Continuing Education (CE) providers who have been approved to provide this training.
- C. EMT-Expanded Scope training programs shall follow the requirements outlined in California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, and Monterey County EMS policy.

#### III. PROCEDURE

- A. EMT training program and EMS CE Provider approval.
  - 1. An EMT training program or EMS CE provider must submit an application for approval to provide EMT-Expanded Scope initial training and training for continued accreditation by the accredited EMT-Expanded Scope provider. The application must be received by the EMS Agency at least twenty (20) working days prior to providing the training.
  - 2. Approval to conduct an EMT-Expanded Scope training program shall be granted only to individuals or organizations based in Monterey County.
  - 3. The application packet shall include:
    - a. A completed application. The application form is available from the Monterey County EMS Agency.
    - b. The resume or C.V. of the Program Director and Clinical Director.
    - c. Sample copies of:
      - 1) Course completion certificate that is tamper resistant.
      - 2) Written testing materials.
      - 3) Skills testing materials.
      - 4) Course outline with teaching objectives.

- 5) Course schedule to document hours of instruction and practice.
- d. Documentation of instructor competence to teach the skills assigned to that instructor.
- e. Instructors and skills proctors must have any of the following current licenses or certification with accreditation and be approved by the EMS Medical Director:
  - 1) California physician license
  - 2) California RN license
  - 3) California Physician Assistant
  - 4) California paramedic license
- f. California EMT license with Monterey County EMT-Expanded Scope accreditation may provide skills demonstration and assist with competency testing
- 4. Upon approval as an EMT-Expanded Scope training program, the EMS Agency will provide documentation of approval to the training program.
- 5. Approval shall be for up to four (4) years.
- B. EMS Agency staff may make scheduled or unscheduled site visits to observe and evaluate the skills training.
- C. The approved EMT-Expanded Scope training program shall maintain records for each EMT taking the training for a minimum of four (4) years. The records shall include:
  - 1. Date of training.
  - 2. Skills taught.
  - 3. Course objectives and instructional outline.
  - 4. Name of instructor(s).
  - 5. Testing results.
- D. Training program requirements.
  - 1. The training program will notify the EMS Agency of any changes in instructors within thirty (30) days of the change. Notification before any changes are completed is encouraged.
  - 2. An application for continued approval shall be submitted with the application to maintain continued approval as an EMS CE provider or upon renewal of EMT training program approval.
- E. Withdrawal of EMT-Expanded Scope training program approval
  - 1. The EMS Agency may take action against an EMT-Expanded Scope training program for:
    - a. Failure to follow the requirements in this or other Monterey County EMS policies.

- b. Failure to follow to meet the training standards for the EMT-Expanded Scope skills found in California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 2 or Monterey County EMS policy.
- c. The use of unqualified personnel to provide the training.
- d. Failure to maintain required course records.
- e. The use of training and testing materials that were not approved by the Monterey County EMS Agency.
- f. Failure of the training program to apply for continued approval prior to expiration of current approval.
- g. Poor quality training that results in the EMT being unable to provide the skill in a competent manner or having an inadequate knowledge of the skill.
- 2. The EMS Agency may suspend, revoke, or place on probation the EMT-Expanded Scope training program that meets one or more of the criteria for withdrawal of EMT-Expanded Scope training program approval.
- 3. Process for suspension, revocation, or placing on suspension the approval as an EMT-Expanded Scope training program.
  - a. The EMS Agency will discover or receive information indicating the EMT-Expanded Scope training program may be out of compliance with Monterey County EMS policy or the requirements in California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 2.
  - b. The EMS Agency will investigate the information which may include requesting documentation from the training program, interviewing program staff and students, verifying competence of the EMT-Expanded Scope students, and any other investigation actions necessary to complete a thorough investigation.
  - c. EMS Agency staff will determine whether action against approval is warranted based on the investigation findings.
  - d. The EMS Agency will document the investigation findings and provide a summary to the training program along with notice of any action to be taken or that no action will be taken.

**END OF POLICY** 

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