



# COUNTY OF MONTEREY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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**Date:** June 28, 2024  
**To:** County of Monterey EMS Service Providers-Paramedics, EMTs, EMR, PSFA  
**From:** John Beuerle, M.D., EMS Medical Director  
**Regarding:** County of Monterey EMS Protocol C-1 Cardiac Arrest-Asystole/Pulseless PEA

The EMS Agency has received some recent questions and comments regarding one of the revisions to EMS Protocol C-1 Cardiac Arrest-Asystole/PEA, which was revised during the 2023-2024 Review Cycle, endorsed by the Medical Advisory Committee, released for training, and was scheduled to go into effect on July 1, 2024. Based on recent concerns from several stakeholders, the EMS Agency has decided to postpone the effective date of the revised Protocol C-1 while we review the protocol, make further revisions, if necessary, release those revisions for public comment, and solicit endorsement of the revised protocol at the Clinical Care Committee meeting on September 11, 2024.

Since we are postponing the effective date of the revised protocol, the current version of Protocol C-1 Cardiac Arrest-Asystole/PEA (with an effective date of July 1, 2021) will remain in effect until the revised protocol goes into effect later this year. A copy of the current protocol C-1 Cardiac Arrest-Asystole/PEA is attached for your convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this change. Please contact EMS Agency staff should you have any questions.