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INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT ALS PERSONNEL (IFT-ALS) CRITERIA AND SCOPE

I. AUTHORITY:

California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5-1797.218. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5 – 1791.200, 1797.206, 1797.208, and 1797.214. California Title 22, Section 100144; (b)

II. APPLICATION:

This policy defines the criteria for accreditation as an Orange County EMS (OCEMS) Interfacility Transport – Advanced Life Support (IFT-ALS) individual provider. Also defined is the scope of practice of an OCEMS IFT-ALS individual provider.

Individual IFT-ALS providers actively working in Orange County must maintain valid OCEMS IFT-ALS Accreditation.

III. CRITERIA FOR INITIAL IFT-ALS ACCREDITATION:

- A. Have a current California Paramedic License in good standing.
- B. Successfully complete an OCEMS approved IFT-ALS Training Course which includes as a minimum the understanding of OCEMS policies and procedures, including IFT-ALS Standing Orders and Procedures and immediate ePCR posting using the OC-MEDS system.
- C. Complete an OCEMS approved advanced airway training program.
- Successfully complete ten (10) proctored IFT-ALS level transports prior to accreditation as an OCEMS IFT-ALS provider.
- E. Have current American Heart Association (or equivalent) CPR and ACLS certification; and PEPP certification.

IV. CRITERIA FOR IFT-ALS ACCREDITATION RENEWAL:

- A. Have a current California Paramedic License in good standing.
- B. Be an accredited Orange County IFT-ALS individual provider in good standing.
- C. Document attendance at all OCEMS mandatory updates after initial OCEMS Accreditation and successfully complete evaluation tests associated with the updates.
- Maintain current American Heart Association (or equivalent) CPR and ACLS certification; and PEPP certification.
- G. Understand and adhere to OCEMS policies and procedures, including IFT-ALS Standing Orders and Procedures and immediate ePCR posting using the OC-MEDS system.
- H. Attend a minimum of two (2) Orange County Base Hospital REACs annually.
- Successfully complete an annual advanced airway skill review and demonstration.

V. <u>LENGTH OF ACCREDITATION:</u>

Accreditation shall be for a maximum period of two (2) years.

Approved:

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VI. SCOPE OF PRACTICE:

- A. The IFT-ALS scope of practice includes the OCEMS EMT Expanded Scope of Practice, California Paramedic Basic Scope and Optional BLS and ALS Scope items approved for use in Orange County by the OCEMS Medical Director.
- B. Orange County Accredited IFT-ALS personnel are approved to use OCEMS IFT-SO-1 and IFT-SO-2 Standing Orders.

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