

EMS SYSTEM OPERATIONS

**Base Hospital Physicians Orders for Intentional
Deviation from EMT-P, EMT-II, EMT-I Protocols**

POLICY #4190

- I. Authority: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.220 and 1798.
- II. Purpose: To establish the Imperial County policy and procedure for Base Hospital Physician orders for intentional deviation from ALS/LALS Treatment Protocols.
- III. Policy:
 - A. Orders for intentional deviation from ALS/LALS Treatment Protocols may be given by Base Hospital Physicians with direct voice contact with ALS/LALS providers.
 - 1. The order must be within the scope of practice of EMT-P, EMT-II, or EMT-I/Optional Skill in Imperial County.
 - 2. The order must be deemed necessary by the Base Hospital Physician to prevent serious morbidity or mortality.
 - B. ALS/LALS providers will not be subject to disciplinary action for carrying out the order, if the order is within the provider's scope of practice.

Procedure:

- A. Base Hospital Physician shall:
 - 1. Personally give the order via direct voice contact with the EMT-P, EMT-II, or EMT-I/Optional Skill.
 - 2. If the order has been carried out, remain in direct voice contact with the provider until the patient's condition is stabilized and complete "Report of Order for Intentional Deviation from ALS/LALS Protocols" and submit to Base Hospital Medical Director for review.

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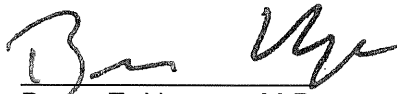
- B. ALS/LALS Provider:
1. Shall receive order directly from Base Hospital Physician via direct voice contact.
 2. Shall document on Emergency Medical Services Patient Care Report form that order was received directly from Base Hospital Physician (name).
 3. Shall complete a "Report of Order for Intentional Deviation from ALS/LALS Protocols" and submit to Base Hospital Nurse Coordinator.
- C. MICN shall:
1. Not relay any order that deviates from EMT-P, EMT-II, or EMT-I/Optional Skill Treatment Protocols.
 2. Inform Base Hospital Physician that order is deviation from EMT-P, EMT-II, or EMT-I/Optional Skill Treatment Protocols.
 3. Inform Base Hospital Physician that he/she must personally give order via direct voice contact with ALS/LALS provider.
 4. Report deviation in writing to Base Hospital Nurse Coordinator/ designee within twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence of incident.
- D. Base Hospital Nurse coordinator shall gather all pertinent data relevant to incident and forward to Base Hospital Medical Director and EMS Medical Director review.
- E. Base Hospital Medical Director shall review incident, complete "Report of Orders for Intentional Deviation from ALS/LALS Protocols," and submit a written report to Imperial County EMS Medical Director within ten (10) days of incident.
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APPROVAL



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EMS Medical Director

**REPORT OF:
ORDER FOR INTENTIONAL DEVIATION FROM PROTOCOLS**

Date: _____ Time: _____ Run Number: _____

FIELD PROVIDER: _____ TITLE: _____

MICN: _____ BASE HOSPITAL PHYSICIAN: _____

Field Provider's report of incident:

Reporting person and title _____ Date: _____

Base hospital physician's report of incident:

Reporting person and title: _____ Date: _____

REVIEW OF INCIDENT:

Base Hospital Medical Director: _____ Date: _____