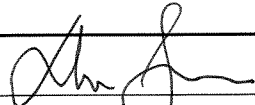
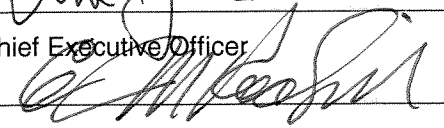




102 – Prehospital Personnel Certification And Accreditation Review Process

APPROVED:



Chief Executive Officer


Medical Director

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California Health and Safety Code § 1797.56, 1798, 1798.200-1798.208. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 6. California Government Code §11507.6, 11507.7, 11513, 11514.

PURPOSE:

This policy defines the Northern California EMS, Inc., certification and accreditation review process. This policy shall apply to holders of a First Responder Certification, EMT-I Certification, EMT-II Certification, Mobile Intensive Care Nurse Authorization, or EMT-P Accreditation.

DEFINITIONS:

1. Jurisdiction of the Medical Director:
 - a. The certificate, accreditation, or authorization was issued by Northern California EMS, Inc.; or
 - b. The certificate or authorization holder utilizes or has utilized the certificate or the skills authorized by the certificate in the Northern California EMS, Inc., region, including those certificates that may have been issued by public safety agencies. This shall include using the license or certificate to apply for a certificate, accreditation, or authorization.

PROCEDURE:

1. Disciplinary proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with Title 22, Chapter 6 of the California Code of Regulations.
2. If at any time during the review or investigation, the Medical Director determines that the facts support placing a certificate holder on probation, denying, suspending or revoking a certificate, the Medical Director may convene an investigative review panel (IRP) to assist in establishing the facts of the case and to report its findings and recommendations to the Medical Director.
3. If the Medical Director imposes disciplinary action on a certificate holder, that certificate holder shall be offered the opportunity to request an investigative review panel (IRP) and shall be furnished with the information regarding the IRP required by Title 22 Chapter 6.
4. The IRP will assess all information on the matter in order to establish the facts of the case and make a written report of its findings and recommendations to the Medical Director.
5. Paramedic licensure actions (e.g., immediate suspension) shall be performed according to the California Health and Safety Code 1798.202.
6. Notification to the EMS Authority shall be made on Form EMSA-CR1 (www.emsa.cahwnet.gov/emt1p/negative_action_personnel.pdf). If the final action is a recommendation to the EMS Authority for disciplinary action of an EMT-P license, a summary explaining the actions of the EMT-P that are a threat to the public health and safety pursuant to Section 1798.200 of the Health and Safety Code and all documentary evidence relative to the recommendation collected by the Medical Director, shall be forwarded to the State EMS Authority.
7. Request for discovery, petitions to compel discovery, evidence and affidavits in the IRP shall be pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act (Government Code, Title 2, Chapter 5, Sections 11507.6, 11507.7, 11513, 11514).