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Orange County EMS Policy Updates

The following policies have been updated in the Orange County Emergency Medical Services Policy & Procedure Manual:

POLICIES UPDATED AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD 10/29/13 - 12/17/13

The following policies have been updated. Any applicable comments are noted in italics.

Policy Updated	Comments
330.60 - Transfer of Patient Care: EMT-P to Air Ambulance Flight Nurse	Policy Updated
430.10 - Accreditation to Practice – ALS Personnel Criteria	Previous Name- Accreditation to Practice EMT - Paramedic
330.75 Tactical EMS	New Policy

AMBULANCE

The following policies have been assigned new policy numbers. Any applicable comments are noted in italics.

New Policy Name and Number	Previous Policy
714.00 - Maximum Emergency Ground Ambulance Rates	720.00 Section 312 Ground Emergency Ambulance Service Rates.
	Policies 714.00 and 720.00 Section 312 contain the same information. Policy 720.00 Section 312 assimilated into policy 714.00.
715.00 – Ground Emergency Ambulance Service Rates Adjustment	720.00 Section 314 – Ground Emergency Ambulance Service Rates Adjustment.
	Policy Number Change Only.

GROUND AMBULANCE
The following policies have been assimilated and have been assigned new policy numbers. Any applicable comments are noted in italics. Policies include updates after 50 day public comment period 10/29/13 - 12/17/13.

New Policy Name and Number	Previous Policies
720.20 – Complaint Processing	720.00 Section 200 Complaint Processing
	Policy Number Change to 720.20, Policy Updated
720.30 – Ground Ambulance Design, Documentation & Equipment	720.00 Section 300 – Required Ground Ambulance
a Equipment	Service Policies and Procedures
	720.00 Section 310 - Required Ground Ambulance Self-Inspection
	720.00 Section 506 – Ground Ambulance: Ambulance
	Files.
	Policy 720.00 Sections 300, 310, 506 assimilated into
	policy 720.30, Policy Updated
720.40 – Ground Ambulance Provider Inspection	720.00 Section 306 - Ground Ambulance Service
	Inspection
	720.00 Section 400 - Ground Ambulance Service
	License
	Policy 720.00 Sections 306,400 assimilated into policy
	720.40, Policy Updated
720.50- Ground Ambulance Vehicle Inspection	720.00 Section 308 - Ground Ambulance Vehicle
	Inspection
	720.00 Section 402 – Ground Ambulance License
	Policy 720.00 Sections 308,402 assimilated into policy
	720.50, Policy Updated
720.60 - Ground Ambulance Provider Policies,	720.00 Section 304 - Required Ground Ambulance
Procedures & Documentation	Service Policies and Procedures
	720.00 Section 404 – OCEMS EMT
	Accreditation/Attendant Requirements 720.00 Section 500 – Ground Ambulance: Basic Life
	Support Medical Record
	720.00 Section 504 – Ground Ambulance: Personnel
	Files
	720.00 Section 502 – Ground Ambulance: Dispatch
	Records
	Policy 720.00 Sections 304, 404, 500, 504, 502
	assimilated into policy 720.60, Policy Updated
720.70 – Ground Ambulance Communication	720.00 Section 302 – Ground Ambulance
Equipment	Communication Equipment
	Policy Number Change to 720.70, Policy Updated

AIR AMBULANCE

The following policies have been assimilated and have been assigned new policy numbers. Any applicable comments are noted in italics. Policies include updates after 50 day public comment period 10/29/13 - 12/17/13.

New Policy Name and Number	Previous Policies
730.10 - Prehospital Air Ambulance and Air Service Rescue	720.00 Section 600 - Prehospital Air Ambulance and Air Rescue Service 750.05 - Air Ambulance and Air Rescue Services Data Reporting
	Policy 750.05 and 720.00 Section 600 assimilated into policy 730.10, Policy Updated
730.20 – Prehospital Air Ambulance and Air Rescue Service Activation Procedure	720.00 Section 602 - Prehospital Air Ambulance and Air Rescue Service Activation Procedure: Pilot
	Policy Number Change to 730.20, Policy Updated

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

The following policies have had administrative updates

Policy Updated	Comments
330.51 - Do-Not-Resuscitate (DNR) and Health Care Directives	Administrative changes
330.57 - Application of Restraints by EMS Personnel	Administrative changes
310.10 – Determination of Transport to an Appropriate Facility	Administrative changes
310.96 – Guidelines for ERC request for Diversion Status	Administrative changes
090.00 – Definitions	Administrative changes

DELETED POLICIES

The following policies have been deleted. Any applicable comments are noted in italics.

Policy Deleted	Comments
720.00 Section 704 Air Ambulance Air Medical Paramedic Accreditation	Assimilated into policy 430.10 Accreditation to Practice- ALS Personnel Criteria
725.00 Public Safety Ground Ambulance Inspection	Redundant- Same information in OCEMS Policy 720.30, 720.40, 720.50,720.60 & 720.70
725.00 Attachment Public Safety Ground Ambulance Inspection	See above for OCEMS policy 725.00
720.00 Section 508 Ground Ambulance: Licensing Fees.	Redundant- Same information in OCEMS Policy #470.00 Fees: Certification, Licensing, and Designation
720.00 Attachment Appendix Definitions	Definitions duplicate OC Ambulance Ordinance or OCEMS Policy #090.00 Definitions
720.00 Cover Page	Redundant- Cover page for policy and procedure exist as 000.00
720.00 Index	Redundant- Index page for policy and procedure exist as 000.00

Current OCEMS Policies and Procedures can be found on our webpage:

http://healthdisasteroc.org/ems/policies/