



Central California Emergency Medical Services Agency

A Division of Fresno County
Department of Public Health

MEMORANDUM

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TO: All Fresno/Kings/Madera/Tulare EMS Providers, Hospitals, First Responder Agencies, Dispatch Centers, EMT Training Courses, Paramedic Training Courses, EMS Personnel, and Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: CPR Cards and EMT Skills Competency Verification Forms

CPR CERTIFICATION

In order to receive an EMT, paramedic, MICN, or EMS dispatcher certification from the Central California EMS Agency, the applicant must have a valid basic cardiac life support (BLS) CPR certification that meets the standards of the American Heart Association “Healthcare Provider” or American Red Cross “Professional Rescuer CPR” training.

If the CPR certification card or documentation does not identify the course as meeting these standards or it is unclear, it will not be accepted by the CCEMSA for certification purposes.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that the CPR certification meets the Healthcare Provider or Professional Rescuer CPR standards.

On-line internet courses will not be accepted by the CCEMSA.

EMT SKILLS COMPETENCY VERIFICATION FORM

In accordance with California Code of Regulations Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 2, Section 100080, a Skills Competency Verification Form must be completed prior to recertification of an EMT certification. The form must be completed in its entirety, and all boxes shall contain signatures, dates, cert numbers, etc. The CCEMSA will not accept one signature with a line extending down the page.

The State Code of Regulations is clear that skills competency shall be verified by an individual who is currently certified or licensed as an EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, Registered Nurse, Physician's Assistant, or Physician and who shall be designated by an EMS approved training program (EMT training program, AEMT training program, Paramedic training program or CE provider), or an EMS service provider. EMS service providers include, but are not limited to, public safety agencies, private ambulance providers and other EMS providers. Verification of skills competency shall be valid for a maximum of two (2) years for the purpose of applying for recertification.

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