

**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA**  
**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**  
A Division of the Fresno County Department of Public Health

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I. POLICY

Providers of paramedic services will be designated by the Emergency Medical Services Agency. This designation will be dependent upon an evaluation of medical need as determined by the EMS Medical Director.

II. PROCEDURE

1. All providers and potential providers for advanced life support designation in Fresno/Kings/Madera County shall submit, in writing to the EMS Agency, an application stating the number of units, number of paramedics, geographical area to be covered, dispatch policies, and additional information as requested by the EMS Agency.
2. The Medical Control Committee will evaluate the request based on its medical characteristics. The review should include consideration of medical control, skills maintenance and continuing education requirements, medical needs, and training and quality improvement availability at Base Hospitals. A recommendation of approval or denial shall be forwarded to the EMS Medical Director of the EMS Agency.
3. Additional input may be sought from other sources, including the Medical Society, the Local Emergency Medicine Society, the EMS Operations Committee and any others as needed.
4. Final approval or denial of the application by the EMS Medical Director is required, based upon appropriate medical input. Any denial shall be explained to the applicant in writing. Any decision by the EMS Medical Director which contradicts the recommendation of the Medical Control Committee shall be explained to the Medical Control Committee in writing.
5. Section 100161 (paramedic) of Title XXII of the California Administrative Code delineates several other requirements for paramedic providers. Applicants must demonstrate the ability to comply with the requirements of these sections.

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6. The EMS Agency shall review all paramedic providers and renew, suspend or revoke the designation, based again on approval of the EMS Medical Director. Approved providers must demonstrate their compliance with the requirements of the Health and Safety Code, California Administrative Code, and County ordinances, policies and procedures applicable to such providers. No individual or agency shall provide or claim to provide paramedic, advanced life support or mobile intensive care services in Fresno/Kings/Madera County unless they have been designated according to this policy as a paramedic provider.