

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

Manual	Emergency Medical Services Administrative Policies and Procedures	Policy Number 540.20
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<b>DOPAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE INFUSION</b>		
References	California Code of Regulations Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 4	Effective 05/08/2020

**I. PURPOSE**

To authorize CCPs to monitor and adjust existing intravenous Dopamine infusions during scheduled interfacility transport.

**II. POLICY**

- A. Only authorized CCPs will be permitted to monitor Dopamine infusions during scheduled interfacility transports.
- B. CCPs may not initiate Dopamine infusions.

**III. PROCEDURE**

- A. The following parameters shall apply to all patients with pre-existing Dopamine infusions:
  - 1. The infusion concentration and regulation of the infusion rate will occur within the parameters as defined by the transferring physician, but may be titrated to the patient's response during transport.
  - 2. Infusion rates shall be consistent with Policy 540.02 Attachment A - CCEMSA CCP Transfer Form. Physician guidelines must specify the infusion rate within the CCP scope of practice.
- B. Infusions must be by a mechanical pump familiar to the CCP.
- C. If medication is interrupted (infiltration, accidental disconnection, malfunctioning pump, etc.), the infusion may be restarted by the CCP.
- D. A non-invasive blood pressure monitoring device that will take accurate blood pressure reading every 5 minutes will be utilized.
- E. Signed transfer orders from the transferring physician must be obtained prior to transport. Transfer orders must provide for maintaining Dopamine infusion during transport and circumstances under which the rate will be maintained, adjusted or discontinued.

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