SPECIAL MEMORANDUM

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TO: All Fresno/Kings/Madera/Tulare EMS Providers, Hospitals, First Responder Agencies, and Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: New Mandatory Training Requirements for EMT Certificate Renewal (Naloxone, Epinephrine, and Glucometers)

On July 1, 2017, the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) published revisions to the EMT certification and renewal regulations. The changes mandate new EMT training for naloxone, epinephrine, and glucometers before EMTs may renew their certification. These regulations are effective July 1, 2019.

What this means for EMTs:

- EMTs that were issued an EMT certificate that expires after June 30, 2019, will need to complete the required training before they may renew their EMT certificate.

- EMTs will need to be trained by an approved California EMT or paramedic training program or continuing education provider in all three (3) skills.

- EMTs will need to obtain a continuing education certificate or training certificate from the approved training program or continuing education provider for all three (3) skills and submit that certificate and the EMSA skills competency verification form (SCV 01/17) to the Agency when renewing their EMT certificate.

What this means for training institutions or continuing education providers:

- CCEMSA approved training programs and continuing education providers will need to develop training curriculum for administration of naloxone and epinephrine and the use of glucometers by EMTs. The curriculum must meet the requirements of Title 22 of the

- CCEMSA approved training programs and continuing education providers must provide the EMTs with a training or continuing education certificate that clearly indicates that the EMT has received the mandatory training.

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