



ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (ALS) PROVIDER APPROVAL

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I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide standards for the permitting of Advanced Life Support (ALS) Providers in Santa Clara County.

II. Procedure

- A. Submit a letter of intent describing proposed services to the Agency, which shall include the following:
 1. A description of proposed service area.
 2. A description of proposed method of service delivery (squad, ambulance, engine, number of personnel and level of certification, etc.)
 3. A complete time line for implementation, including a tentative start date
- B. Meet with the Agency to discuss proposal.
- C. The requesting agency's proposal will be reviewed and, if satisfactory, will receive clinical approval from the EMS Medical Director.
- D. Negotiate an agreement with Santa Clara County.
 1. The agency requesting approved provider status may continue with implementation of their program but may not provide services until the time a signed agreement becomes effective
 2. All agreements shall be executed in accordance with established County procedures

III. Requirements

- A. An approved provider must submit a Quality Improvement Plan for approval by the Agency.
- B. An approved provider must follow all policies, procedures, and protocols in accordance with Agency policy, prior to provision of services.

IV. Personnel

- A. All EMT and Paramedic personnel must be licensed or certified in accordance with Title 22, Division 9, California Code of Regulations.
- B. All EMT and Paramedic personnel must attend an approved County orientation to the County EMS System.
- C. All Paramedic personnel must be accredited to practice in Santa Clara County and provide care under the medical direction of the EMS Medical Director.