

Subject: Medical Control
Paramedic Standing Orders /Direct Voice Contact

Associated Policies:

- I. Authority and Reference (incorporated herein by references)
 - A. Division 25 of Health and Safety Code
 - B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 100144
 - C. North Coast EMS Policies and Procedures
- II. Purpose
To define which procedures Paramedic personnel may perform prior to making voice contact and which procedures may only be performed under direct verbal orders of the base hospital.
- III. Responsibilities
 - A. Standing Orders
 1. The paramedic may initiate emergency treatment prior to making voice contact with the base or receiving hospital.
 2. While at the scene of an emergency and during transport of the sick and injured, a paramedic in accordance with North Coast EMS policies and procedures may initiate emergency treatment prior to making voice contact utilizing their scope of practice as defined by Policy # 5402 and their affiliate agency excluding Pediatric Pacing and Magnesium sulfate restrictions.
 3. The paramedic will follow Policy # 2508 when making base contact.
 - B. Direct Voice Contact
 1. Under no circumstances should a paramedic initiate any of the procedures listed under section IV. C of this policy without receiving direct voice orders to do so from the base hospital physician or MICN. Failure to obtain direct voice orders will result in the initiation of a Case Review.
 - C. Direct Voice Orders
The following procedures should only be performed following direct voice orders from the base hospital physician or MICN.
 1. Administer the following medications:
 - a. Magnesium Sulfate for pre-term labor.
 2. Perform the following procedures:
 3. a. Provide cardiac pacing to the pediatric patient.
 4. Initiation of any other procedures or medication dosages which deviate from approved NCEMS policy

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