


Sierra – Sacramento Valley EMS Agency Program Policy

LALS and/or ALS Provider Agency Responsibilities

	Effective: 06/01/2016	Next Review: 04/2019	411
	Approval: Troy M. Falck, MD – Medical Director		SIGNATURE ON FILE
	Approval: Victoria Pinette – Executive Director		SIGNATURE ON FILE

PURPOSE:

To establish the responsibilities of all LALS and/or ALS provider agencies.

AUTHORITY:

California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5.

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapters 3 and 4.

POLICY:

A. An approved LALS and/or ALS provider agency shall:

1. Provide LALS and/or ALS prehospital emergency medical services on a continuous twenty-four (24) hours per day basis unless otherwise approved by S-SV EMS, in which case there shall be adequate justification for the exemption.
2. Maintain and utilize telecommunications as specified in S-SV EMS policies.
3. Maintain medical equipment and supplies specified in S-SV EMS policies.
4. Ensure that security mechanisms and procedures are established for storage and administration of controlled substances, when applicable, as indicated in S-SV EMS policies.
5. Have a written agreement with the S-SV EMS Agency to participate in the EMS system and to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, policies and procedures, including participation in the S-SV EMS Emergency Medical Services Quality Improvement Program (EMSQIP).
6. Participate in S-SV EMS regional committee meetings and other EMS activities that affect the region.
7. Participate in a collaborative manner with S-SV EMS data collection programs.

8. Be responsible for training and assessing the knowledge of their prehospital personnel in local policies, procedures and protocols, and for assessing skills competency as necessary/required.
 9. Maintain approval as an EMS continuing education (CE) provider and provide formal education programs for prehospital personnel.
 10. Provide special and mandatory training deemed necessary by S-SV EMS.
 11. Provide supervised field internship experience for prehospital care students/trainees in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 22 and S-SV EMS policies.
 12. Provide remedial education/training for prehospital personnel as needed.
 13. Actively participate in local/regional disaster planning efforts and reasonably participate in local/regional MCI and disaster drills
 14. Follow the procedures specified in regional plans and S-SV EMS policies during an MCI or disaster response.
- B. If, through the EMSQIP the employer or S-SV EMS Medical Director determines that an AEMT or paramedic requires additional training, observation, or testing, the employer and the S-SV EMS Medical Director may create a specific/targeted program of remediation based upon the identified need. If there is disagreement between the employer and the S-SV EMS Medical Director, the decision of the S-SV EMS Medical Director shall prevail.
- C. No organization or responding unit shall advertise itself as providing LALS or ALS services unless approved as a LALS and/or ALS provider agency by S-SV EMS, and staffed with appropriately credentialed AEMT and/or paramedic personnel.
- D. S-SV EMS may deny, suspend, or revoke LALS and/or ALS provider agency approval for failure to comply with applicable policies, procedures, laws and regulations.

CROSS REFERENCES:

- A. Service Provider Application Process & Procedure (410).
- B. Prehospital Documentation (605).
- C. EMS System Quality Improvement Program (EMSQIP) (620).
- D. Prehospital Provider Agency Inventory Requirements (701).

-
- E. Management of Controlled Substances (710).
 - F. Multi Casualty Incidents (MCI) (837).
 - G. Crisis Standard of Care Procedures (838).
 - H. EMS Incident Reporting & Investigation (927).
 - I. Infrequently Used Skills: Verification of Maintenance/Regional Training Module (1110).