


Sierra – Sacramento Valley EMS Agency Program Policy

**Biomedical Equipment Maintenance**

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**PURPOSE:**

To ensure prehospital provider agencies establish and maintain an adequate biomedical equipment maintenance program.

**AUTHORITY:**

- A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, § 1797.204, 1797.220.
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 2, § 100063.1 & 100064, Chapter 4, §100167, Chapter 8, § 100306, and Chapter 12, § 100402 & 100404.

**POLICY:**

- A. Prehospital provider agencies in the S-SV EMS region shall have a maintenance program for biomedical equipment utilized for patient care in the prehospital setting.
- B. Periodic preventative maintenance on biomedical equipment shall meet or exceed the criteria recommended by the manufacturer.
- C. Individuals performing scheduled maintenance or repair shall possess the necessary credentials recommended by the manufacturer.
- D. Prehospital provider agencies shall immediately remove from service any biomedical equipment suspected of malfunctioning. Any malfunctioning biomedical equipment shall not be placed into service until properly serviced or repaired by the manufacturer or manufacturer’s authorized service program.
- E. Biomedical equipment suspected of malfunctioning, that may have adversely affected patient care shall be:
  - 1. Immediately reported to an on-duty supervisor.
  - 2. Immediately reported to the RN or physician staff at the receiving facility if the malfunctioning equipment impacted or has a potential to impact patient health and well-being.

3. Reported to S-SV EMS by the end of the next business day. This report shall include the prehospital provider agencies name, date of incident, type of device, model number, serial number, patient's name, run number, description of incident, affect on patient care, description of actions taken at the time of reporting and current location of equipment.
- F. Records documenting compliance with this policy shall be subject to review and inspections by S-SV EMS.