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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY

This policy supercedes any other Existing policy on this subject

Subject: **TRAUMA SYSTEM ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT**

Authority: California Health and Safety Code, Sections 1797.222, 1797.220, California Code of Regulations, Section 100255.

Purpose: The purpose of the Trauma System Organization and Management Policy is to establish the roles and responsibilities of the Merced County EMS Agency (MCEMSA) in the planning, implementation and on-going evaluation of an inclusive trauma system.

Policy: The MCEMSA shall be responsible for the planning, implementation, evaluation and revision to the Merced County Trauma System. In as much as the designated Trauma Centers for Merced County are currently in Stanislaus County, it shall also be the responsibility of the MCEMSA to coordinate and collaborate with the Mountain-Valley EMS Agency in the on-going oversight of those Level II Trauma Centers and the related activities of our respective trauma systems.

Definitions: Trauma Audit Committee (TAC) – Shall mean a quality improvement body made up of participant hospital ED physicians, surgeons and subject matter experts organized to review and provide the EMS agencies and participant hospitals with recommendations regarding the quality of services provided.

Procedure:

1. As the lead agency for the Merced County EMS System, MCEMSA is responsible for planning, implementing, and managing the trauma care system. These responsibilities include:
 - A. Assessing trauma system needs;
 - B. Developing the system design, including the number of trauma centers;
 - C. Assigning roles to system participants, including the designation of local trauma center(s) and recognition of remote trauma centers, as necessary;
 - D. Coordinating system activities with designated trauma center and other system participants, and with neighboring EMS systems on coordination and mutual aid issues;

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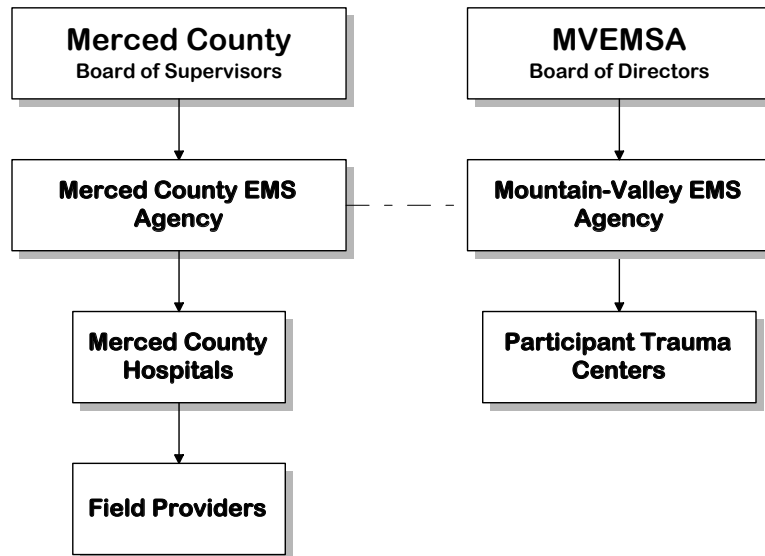
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- E. Coordination for the collection of trauma data, including a trauma registry at the trauma centers, trauma data collection from participating non-trauma centers, and pre-hospital data collection;
 - F. Monitoring of the system to determine compliance with appropriate state laws and regulations, local EMS agency policies and procedures, and contracts, and taking corrective action as needed;
 - G. Evaluating the impact of the system and revising the system design as needed.
2. To accomplish these various tasks, the MCEMSA Trauma System shall be organized as follows:

Merced County Trauma System System Organizational Structure



Merced County Trauma System Agency Organizational Structure

