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To: **EMS Distribution**

From: **Samuel J. Stratton MD, MPH, Medical Director, Emergency Medical Services**
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Subject: **Orange County EMS Policy Updates**

The following policies have been updated in the Orange County Emergency Medical Services Policy & Procedure Manual:

POLICIES UPDATED AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD 11/19/15 – 1/8/16 and 3/18/16 – 4/2/16

The following policies have been updated. Any applicable comments are noted in italics.

Policy Updated	Comments
#720.30 Ground Ambulance Design/Documentation/Equipment	<i>Update language for operational standards for ground ambulance providers</i>
#720.50 Ground Ambulance Vehicle Inspection	<i>Update language for vehicle permitting standards for ground ambulance providers</i>
#720.60 Ground Ambulance Provider Policies, Procedures and Documentation	<i>Update language for operational standards for ground ambulance providers</i>
#720.70 Ground Ambulance Communication Equipment	<i>Updated standards for ground ambulance providers</i>
#310.10 Determination of Transport to an Appropriate Facility	<i>Clarify language for destination criteria for 9-1-1 dispatched patient transports</i>

New Policies

The following policies have been assigned new policy numbers. Any applicable comments are noted in italics.

New Policy Name and Number	Comments
#300.32 EMS Data Systems	<i>New Policy: Defines the process by which EMS Providers may submit data to meet state/local requirements.</i>

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

The following policies have had administrative updates

Policy Updated	Comments
#210.00 Emergency 911-Dispatch Service Providers	<i>Updates to address for OCFA</i>
#240.30 Orange County Specialty Services	<i>Update hospitals names after facility name changes</i>
#300.30 OCMEDS Patient Care Reporting	<i>Updated to be consistent with new statutes and statewide data system requirements.</i>
#330.15 Report of ALS Services without Base Hospital Contact	<i>Updated to current standards</i>
#385.05 Base Hospital Incident Review Process	<i>Clarify language and update to current standards.</i>
#390.40 Trauma Patient Registry: Form Completion and Filing Procedure	<i>Deleted- No longer in use</i>
#400.00 Mobile Intensive Care Nurse (MICN) Authorization	<i>Clarify language and update to current standards.</i>
#415.00 OCEMS Accreditation to Practice- EMT	<i>Remove inconsistent time to application, add accreditation standards for OCEMS employees</i>
#430.10 Accreditation to Practice- ALS Personnel Criteria	<i>Add accreditation standards for OCEMS employees</i>

Current OCEMS Policies and Procedures can be found on our webpage:

<http://healthdisasteroc.org/ems/policies/>

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