



BASIC LIFE SUPPORT (BLS) SERVICE PROVIDER POLICY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS & STANDBYS COVERAGE

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide the procedures for the authorization of BLS Service Provider coverage for special event/standbys.

AUTHORITY

Health & Safety Code, Division 2.5, Chapter 4, Article 1, § 1797.220
California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 2, Article 2, § 100063
California Highway Patrol (CHP) Ambulance Driver's Handbook HPH 82.4

POLICY

- I. BLS Coverage:
 - A. A BLS Service Provider shall be allowed for all special event/standbys that do not require an Advanced Life Support (ALS) Service Provider due to the requirements of the special event/standby sponsor's insurance carrier or the by-laws of the special event/standby sponsor.
- II. Transport of Patients from the Special Event/Standby:
 - A. The EMS transport of any patient(s) from the scene of a special event/standby shall be made by the Yolo County Emergency Medical Services Agency (YEMSA) Authorized Emergency ALS Service Provider ambulance assigned to the area where the special event/standby is occurring. **The BLS Service Provider shall not transport the patient. If Emergency Medical Service (EMS) transportation is necessary, the BLS Service Provider shall immediately utilize the 9-1-1 system.**
- III. Non YEMSA approved BLS Service Providers:
 - A. Non YEMSA approved BLS Service Providers that wish to provide BLS Service Provider coverage of a special event/standby within the YEMSA region shall apply for temporary authorization.
- IV. Duration of special event/standby authorization:
 - A. For the purpose of providing BLS medical coverage for special event/standbys, authorization shall be effective only for the date(s) of the event.

PROCEDURE

- I. A YEMSA approved BLS Service Provider shall:
 - A. Immediately call 9-1-1 and request a YEMSA authorized emergency ALS Service Provider to respond and transport a patient if EMS transportation is necessary.
 - B. Orient all BLS personnel covering the special event/standby to the equipment, staff, and transportation requirements listed in this policy.



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- C. Agree to have available, on the grounds of the special event/standby all appropriate BLS equipment and staff as required by the California Highway Patrol (CHP) and be currently licensed by the CHP.
 - D. If an ambulance will not be utilized, agree to have appropriate equipment and supplies to be able to provide BLS patient assessment and treatment.
- II. A non YEMSA approved BLS Service Provider shall:
- A. Be a Service Provider in good standing within a Local Emergency Medical Service Agency (LEMSA) in the State of California.
 - B. Complete and submit an application to YEMSA for approval at least seven (7) working days prior to the event.
 - C. Pay the Application Fee.
 - D. Immediately call 9-1-1 and request a YEMSA Authorized Emergency ALS Service Provider to respond and transport a patient if EMS transportation is necessary.
 - E. Orient all BLS personnel covering the special event/standby to the equipment, staff, and transportation requirements listed in this policy.
 - F. Agree to have available, on the grounds of the special event/standby all appropriate BLS equipment and staff as required by the CHP and be currently licensed by the CHP.
 - G. If an ambulance will not be utilized, agree to have appropriate equipment and supplies to be able to provide BLS patient assessment and treatment.