I. AUTHORITY:

*Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.220.*
*California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9*

II. APPLICATION:

This policy defines the process for system provider(s) review of a new and/or revised draft policy and procedure (P&P). Exceptions to this process may include changes reflecting State Law, County Board of Supervisors’ Resolution and/or the Orange County Emergency Medical Services (OCEMS) Medical Director’s medical directives/guidelines and/or internal administrative procedures.

III. PROCESS:

A. OCEMS shall distribute a proposed P&P to the appropriate Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC) advisory subcommittee(s) and/or affected agency(ies) or association(s) for comments/response to those items within the scope of its review. A 50-day public comment period shall be provided.

B. Committee/agency/association comments shall be submitted to OCEMS in writing within the 50-day public comment period and shall include:

   1. Identification of the subject item involved (i.e., policy, page and line);
   2. Specific change recommended;
   3. Rationale for the recommended change;
   4. System impact;
   5. Identification of the group recommending the change(s) (e.g., minutes/position statement).

C. Comments received by OCEMS will be:

   1. Reviewed for compliance with State law/regulations
   2. Summarized, with OCEMS comments/position statements for final distribution
   3. Forwarded to the appropriate advisory subcommittee(s) for review and recommendation to the EMCC.

D. Final subcommittee recommendation(s) will be forwarded to the EMCC for review and endorsement.

E. EMCC endorsement or denial of endorsement will be forwarded to the OCEMS Medical Director/Program Director for consideration.

NOTE: Comments should be addressed to: Medical Director and/or Program Director, Emergency Medical Services, 405 W. Fifth Street, Suite 301-A, Santa Ana, CA 92701.

*Italicized Text Identifies Quotations from an Authority outside the OCEMS.*

Approved: