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ANNOUNCEMENT: ASSOCIATE MEDICAL DIRECTOR, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Carl Schultz, MD, FACEP has accepted the position of Associate Medical Director, Orange County Health Care Agency Emergency Medical Services Division (OCEMS). Dr. Schultz is well known in Orange County and will be coming to OCEMS from the University of California, Irvine where he is Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine and Public Health, Director of Research in the Center for Disaster Medical Sciences, Director, EMS and Disaster Medical Sciences Fellowship, and Director, Disaster Medical Services. Dr. Schultz has published extensive original research in disaster medicine, including papers in the *New England Journal of Medicine* and *Annals of Emergency Medicine*. He is well known as co-editor for the definitive disaster medicine textbook used throughout the world, *Koenig and Schultz's Disaster Medicine: Comprehensive Principles and Practice*. Dr. Schultz is board certified in both Emergency Medicine and Internal Medicine and has been active at the state and national level in many committees and working groups with the American College of Emergency Physicians.

As OCEMS Associate Medical Director, Dr. Schultz will participate in paramedic advanced life support training and education, and serve as a liaison for paramedic school training programs. He will chair the County EMS Quality Assurance Board, which focuses on sectional and longitudinal quality improvement for the Orange County EMS system. The Associate Medical Director position also includes working collaboratively within the community to improve, revise, and develop emergency public health systems planning and evaluation. Included in his duties will be updates to OCEMS medical protocols and participation with OCEMS medical special projects. Most important, Dr. Schultz will help develop functional and sustainable disaster medical response programs for the Orange County community.

Dr. Schultz brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the Health Care Agency, EMS Division. His addition to the Health Care Agency team will benefit health and preparedness in the County or Orange.

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