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Dear Accreditation Officer:

This manual is intended to be a guide for orienting new paramedics to the San Joaquin Emergency Medical Services System. It is to be used as the primary source of information during accreditation training.

All of the forms and much of the information you will need are contained within this Manual. Extra original forms to be used by the Accreditation candidate are included within this manual for your use and duplication.

To become accredited in San Joaquin County, the paramedic must complete a written examination administered by the EMS Agency prior to beginning work as a paramedic. After successfully passing the written examination the paramedic must complete an eight (8) hour orientation, which includes, but not limited to, the San Joaquin EMS Systems, expanded scope of practice, and the Multi-Casualty Incident Plan. The orientation is conducted by the paramedic's primary employer and must be completed within thirty (30) days from the date of the original application. Accreditation orientation, according to regulation can not exceed eight (8) hours.

Each provider has been delegated primary responsibility for the accreditation orientation in the San Joaquin EMS System. Please contact our office if you have questions, or if you have a candidate with special circumstances that does not fit our orientation process.

Your time in properly orienting new paramedics is appreciated. Your work in this process will do much to improve the initial performance of new paramedics and ensure that patients in San Joaquin County will receive the best possible care.

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ACCREDITATION ORIENTATION PROGRAM	
Module	Maximum Time
Orientation Examination administered by the EMS Agency (this must be administered and successfully completed prior to beginning work)	N/A
I. San Joaquin System Orientation	120 mins
II. San Joaquin Policies & Procedures	60 mins
III. San Joaquin ALS Medical Protocols and Treatment Guidelines	90 mins
IV. San Joaquin Triage Policies	60 mins
V. Multi-Casualty Incident Plan for San Joaquin County	60 mins
VI. Skills Training in Optional Scope of Practice in San Joaquin County	90 mins
TOTAL	*8 Hours

*The times listed are the maximum time required.

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MODULE I

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SYSTEM ORIENTATION

Objectives:

At the completion of this two (2) hour training module the student will, by both oral and written examination, be able to demonstrate knowledge and familiarization with the following:

1. Background and organizational structure of the San Joaquin County Emergency Medical Services System.
2. Identification and location of San Joaquin Emergency Medical service providers (e.g. ambulance companies and fire districts).
3. Identification and location of acute care hospital emergency departments.
4. Identification and location of base hospitals (San Joaquin General, Dameron Hospitals).
5. Identification and location of base hospital physician and MICN liaison personnel at all base hospitals.
6. Identification, location and orientation to public and private dispatch centers.
7. Identification and orientation to EMS response zones.
8. Identification and orientation to rules and regulations regarding ambulance operations in San Joaquin County.
9. Identification and orientation to restocking areas and procedures for medical supplies.

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MODULE II

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Objectives:

At the completion of this one (1) hour training module the student will, by both oral and written examination, be able to demonstrate knowledge and familiarization with the following:

1. San Joaquin County Paramedic Personnel Policies
2. San Joaquin County Pre-hospital Provider Policies
3. San Joaquin County Facilities Policies
4. San Joaquin Operations Policies

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MODULE III

SAN JOAQUIN ALS MEDICAL PROTOCOLS AND TREATMENT GUIDELINES

Objectives:

At the completion of this ninety (90) minute training module the student will, by both oral and written examination, be able to demonstrate knowledge and familiarization with the following:

1. California State Paramedic scope of practice, and excerpts from State paramedic regulations, Title 22.
2. San Joaquin County Paramedic Scope of Practice
3. San Joaquin County Operations Policies
4. Information on Nerve Agents
5. San Joaquin County Treatment Guidelines

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MODULE IV

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY TRIAGE POLICIES

Objectives:

At the completion of this one (1) hour training module the student will, by both oral and written examination, be able to demonstrate knowledge and familiarization with the following:

1. Prehospital triage of Neonates and High Risk Pregnancies
2. Prehospital triage of Neurological Trauma Patients
3. Prehospital triage of Burn Patients
4. Prehospital triage of Pediatric Trauma Patients
5. Interfacility Transfers



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MODULE V

MULTI-CASUALTY RESPONSE PLAN - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this sixty (60) minute module, the student will be able to demonstrate a basic knowledge and familiarization with the following:

1. The background and organizational structure of the San Joaquin County Medical Multi-Casualty Incident (MCI) Response Plan.
2. The interaction between the Field and Control Facility (CF).
3. Staffing and organization in the field during a MCI.
4. The S.T.A.R.T. triage concept.
5. The use of the County disaster tag.
6. The use and location of the County disaster bag.
7. The difference between a multi-casualty incident and large scale disaster.

NOTE TO ACCREDITATION OFFICER:

San Joaquin County is part of a region-wide program for multi-casualty incident planning. An eight (8) hour curriculum exists with designated instructors. All paramedics are required to take this class following employment. The purpose of this orientation is to give a basic understanding of the MCI system utilized in this County, so that he/she will be able to minimally function on scene, prior to taking the full course.

Specific questions can be directed to your in-house MCI instructor. You may wish to use him/her to provide this section of the orientation. Call the EMS Agency for a list of instructors for the County.

The curriculum attached for this module is excerpted from the eight hour MCI curriculum developed by the MCI Project funded by the State EMS Authority.

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MODULE VI

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SKILLS TRAINING IN THE OPTIONAL SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Objectives:

At the completion of this training module the student will, by both oral and written examination, be able to demonstrate knowledge and familiarization with any skill or drug used in the expanded scope of practice for San Joaquin County, for which the candidate has received training.

The accreditation officer is responsible for ensuring that proper training and testing is conducted in the skills that the Paramedic candidate lacks for accreditation in San Joaquin County. Documentation for training shall be maintained by the accreditation officer and be available for inspection by the EMS Agency.

This manual contains information on Nerve Agents and the Mark 1 Auto Injector. Please contact San Joaquin County EMS if you require additional resources to conduct training in the regional areas.