

Thursday, November 13, 2025

0900 – 1100

**Robert Cabral Agriculture Center
2101 E. Earhart Ave, Stockton CA 95206
Assembly Room 2**

SJC EMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS
- II. APPROVAL OF PAST EMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:
 - a. Review and approval of August 21, 2025, EMS Advisory Committee meeting minutes
- III. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Paramedic Training Program Update
 - b. Emergency Ambulance RFP Update
 - c. Nurse Navigation at EMS Dispatch Update
- IV. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Policies Out for Stakeholder Comment Info
 - b. Transport to Alternative Destination's (TAD) Info
- V. EMS SYSTEM PROGRAMS / REPORTS:
 - a. Ambulance Patient Offload Times (APOT)
 - i. AB 40 CCR Regulations Update
 - ii. 2025 YTD APOT times Presentation
 - b. Specialty Care Systems Reports
 - i. Specialty Care Update Presentation
 - c. CQI
 - i. CQI Update Presentation
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/GOOD OF THE ORDER:
- VII. NEXT MEETING:

- a. The next regularly scheduled EMS Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2026.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Attachments:

EMS Advisory Committee Meeting minutes – August 21, 2025 – Draft
Specialty Care Update – Memo
BLS Scope - Memo

EMS Advisory Committee

Thursday, August 21, 2025, at 0900

MINUTES

Members	Membership Representing	Present	Absent
Jared Bagwell (Co-Chair)	SJCEMSA	X	
Dr. Katherine Shafer (Co-Chair)	SJCEMSA	X	
Charla Barney	ED RN – Base Hospital - SJGH	X	
Cheryl Heaney-Ordez	ED RN – Receiving Hospital –St. Joseph’s Medical Center	X	
Erica Lowry	ED RN – Receiving Hospital – Sutter Tracy Community Hospital	X	
Daniel Iniguez	EOA emergency ambulance provider – American Medical Response	X	
Vanessa Herrero	EOA emergency ambulance provider – Escalon Community Ambulance	X	
John Andrews	EOA emergency ambulance provider – Manteca District Ambulance	X	
Pat Burns	EOA emergency ambulance provider – Ripon Fire Ambulance	X	
Lenard Gutierrez	Representative of an ALS fire dept./district – Stockton Fire Department	X	
Todd Rausser	BLS fire departments or districts – Liberty Fire Protection District	X	
Vince Stroup	Paramedic Non Fire-based ALS emergency ambulance providers – Manteca District Ambulance	X	
Lucas Mejia	EMT Non Fire-based ALS emergency ambulance providers – Manteca District Ambulance		X
Eric DeHart	Fire-based emergency ambulance provider – Ripon Fire	X	

Rich Silva	Emergency Medical Dispatcher – SFD ECD		X
Nicholas Taiariol	Law Enforcement – San Joaquin County Sheriff		X
Alternate members			
Kyle Naes	American Medical Response	X	
George McKelvie	Manteca District Ambulance	X	
EMS Agency Staff	Title	Present	Absent
Christine Tualla	EMS Analyst		X
Matthew Esposito	EMS Coordinator	X	
Paul Harper	Pre Hospital Care Coordinator	X	
Nasir Khan	Specialty Care Coordinator	X	
Jeff Costa	Specialty Care Coordinator	X	
Leon Brown	EMS Analyst	X	
Guests			
Genevieve Valentine	Health Care Services	X	
Anthony Nguyen	NorCal Ambulance	X	
John Crystalinas	Alpha One Ambulance	X	

Meeting called to order at 0905 by Co-Chair EMS Director Jared Bagwell.

I. INTRODUCTIONS:

Committee member introductions.

II. APPROVAL OF PAST EMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

- a. J. Bagwell asked committee to review minutes from last advisory committee meeting. XX moved to approve, XX seconded.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Paramedic Training Program: Committee members were updated on the San Joaquin County Emergency Medical Services Agency (SJCEMSA) / Delta College local paramedic training program partnership. SJCEMSA / Delta is still looking for a training site as the new EMS facility construction has been delayed. It is the intention to have the first cohort offered through Delta College in Fall 2026.
- b. Emergency Ambulance RFP: Committee members were updated on the current and expected progress of the emergency ambulance RFP which is to take effect May 2026. The proposals are due August 26, 2025. Once the proposals are received and the RFP

evaluation committee reviews and receives presentations, an intent to award will be issued by the San Joaquin County Purchasing and Services department.

- c. Nurse Navigation at EMS Dispatch: Committee members were updated on the progress of the implementation of Nurse Navigation services in San Joaquin County. The Nurse Navigation services were budgeted for FY 25-27. SJCEMSA is working to implement these services by the end of this fiscal year.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. 2025 EMS Advisory Committee Designations: Committee members were reminded of the new EMS Committee member designation taking effect July 2025. Rich Silva with Valley Regional Communications Center (VRECC) is replacing Anna Trindale representing Emergency Medical Dispatch, Lenard Gutierrez with Stockton Fire Department is replacing Steve Islas representing ALS Fire Departments, Chief Todd Rausser with Liberty Fire Protection District is replacing Chief Ken Johnson representing BLS Fire districts, and the law enforcement representation is still vacant.
- b. EMS Advisory Committee Representation: Committee was updated that SJCEMSA intends to add representation to the EMS Advisory Committee through policy revision to take effect July 2026. Additional hospital representatives will be added to accomplish a representative from each hospital and adding a representative from the Office of Emergency Services (OES). Committee members were asked for any additional input on representation and the proposed policy revision will go out for stakeholder comment in October.
- c. Maddy Funds Request Process: Committee members were reminded of the Maddy Funds request process policy that went into effect in July 2025. The EMS Advisory Committee will be the approval authority for all requests. The first proposals will be reviewed and approved by the EMS Advisory Committee in November of 2026.
- d. EOA Provider Compliance Committee: Committee members were advised that pursuant to the emergency ambulance RFP a compliance committee will be established to monitor and review the new providers clinical and operation compliance. The compliance committee may have representatives of the EMS Advisory Committee and other EMS system stakeholders.

V. EMS SYSTEM PROGRAM/REPORTS:

- a. Ambulance Patient Offload Times (APOT): Committee members were presented the 2025 APOT data:
 - i. AB 40 CCR Regulations: Committee members were updated on the emergency regulations adopted by EMSA in June. These regulations are intended to assure hospital compliance with local APOT time standards.
 - ii. 2025 YTD APOT: Committee members were presented YTD APOT by hospital.
 - iii. APOT Weekly Reports: Committee members were updated that SJCEMSA continues to report APOT times and ambulance turnaround times weekly and by

day/night shift. The intent is to provide both hospital and ambulance providers with data to help mitigate delays.

- iv. Observation: Committee members were reminded that SJCEMSA will continue to conduct quarterly observations on patient transfer at all hospitals.
- v. Specialty Crae Reports: Committee members were presented with 2024 San Joaquin County CARES report and state and national comparisons.
- vi. CQI: Committee members were presented with recent updated trauma protocol revisions. Discussion on pediatric airways in trauma patients.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/GOOD OF THE ORDER:

VII. NEXT MEETING:

- a. The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2025.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned 1030.

DATE: November 13, 2025

TO: EMS Advisory Committee

PREPARED BY: Nasir M. Khan, RN
Specialty Care Coordinator

SUBJECT: Specialty Systems of Care Update

Specialty Systems of Care in San Joaquin County, including Trauma, STEMI, and Stroke Systems, exemplify organized care through policies, protocols, and standards. The San Joaquin County Medical Services Agency (SJCEMSA) continuously monitors these systems using a data-driven approach emphasizing collaboration through data collection, analysis, and interpretation. Current projects include a feedback process, Critical Care Transport (CCT) review, and Multi Casualty Incident (MCI) review.

In 2022, SJCEMSA developed a feedback process with local EMS and healthcare leaders to provide timely, organized information to EMS personnel on patient outcomes and diagnoses. As of 2025, over ninety (90) Feedback Forms on trauma, cardiac, stroke, and general medical illnesses have been processed.

In 2025, SJCEMSA audited CCT Interfacility Transfers (IFT) to review resource utilization and alternatives like Advanced Life Support or Basic Life Support. Analyzing ePCR data from 206 CCT transports revealed their necessity for patients requiring mechanical ventilation, high flow nasal cannula oxygen, art line monitoring, sedation, blood pressure management, and chest tube management. Only about twenty-five (25) percent of CCT IFTs were potential candidates for a lower level of service.

MCI data from 2025, collected via EMResource and voice recordings, highlighted the effectiveness of SJCEMSA's Trauma System. Out of ninety (90) patients from MCIs, only three (3) were sent outside San Joaquin County, demonstrating the high standard of care from the local Level II Trauma Center, San Joaquin General Hospital. MCI reviews are presented at SJCEMSA's CQI Committee, identifying improvement opportunities in field operations and communications.

SJCEMSA's commitment to a data-driven approach ensures that Specialty Systems of Care continue to provide exceptional care to San Joaquin County residents and visitors.



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY

Jared Bagwell, *Director*

Dr. Katherine Shafer MD, *EMS Medical Director*

Memorandum

DATE: November 3, 2025

TO: All Prehospital Personnel and Providers
Base Hospital Personnel

FROM: Katherine Shafer, M.D., EMS Medical Director
Jared Bagwell, EMS Director

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SUBJ.: **BLS Scope of Practice: Assist with ALS Procedures**

The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify what ALS procedures an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Enhanced Skills Emergency Medical Technician (EEMT) may assist with under paramedic direction.

1. EMS Policy No. 5502 BLS Scope of Practice Summary, "Assist with ALS procedures" allows EMT and EEMT to assist with ALS procedures under paramedic direction. The following are examples of ALS procedures that are appropriate for EMT or EEMT to assist with under paramedic direction.
 - A. Preparing Normal Saline IV bag,
 - B. Setting up intubation equipment,
 - C. 12 lead ECG.
2. EMS Policy No. 5502 BLS Scope of Practice Summary allows EMT and EEMT to assist patients with administering their own prescribed medications.
 - A. Inhalers,
 - B. Allergic reaction kits (epinephrine kit),
 - C. Sublingual Nitroglycerine.
3. EMS Policy No. 5502 BLS Scope of Practice Summary allows EEMT to administer the following medications.
 - A. Naloxone,
 - B. Aspirin,
 - C. Epinephrine Auto Injector for Adult and Pediatric.

EMT or EEMT are not permitted to draw up or administer medication outside of scope, assemble medication pre-load, or prepare IV bags containing D10, TXA, Lidocaine, Dopamine, or any other medications.

Please contact SJCEMSA Duty Officer at (209) 468-6818 for any questions or concerns.