



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY

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Memorandum

DATE: July 1, 2025

TO: All Prehospital Personnel and Providers
Base Hospital Personnel
Emergency Department Physicians and Nurse Liaisons

FROM: Katherine Shafer, M.D., EMS Medical Director *KSM*
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SUBJ.: EMS Policy Established/Revisions 14-day Stakeholder Comment

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise EMS system stakeholders that the following EMS policy is out for 14-day stakeholder comment period starting on July 1, 2025. Comments can be submitted to the SJCEMSA website. All comments must be received by the close of business on **Tuesday, July 15, 2025**. This policy will go into effect on July 1, 2025, during the stakeholder comment period.

SJCEMSA Policy No. 4200, Management of Controlled Substances.

1. Changed Section III. C. to allow EMTs and AEMTs to be witness to controlled substance waste.

Additionally, the below policy will go live July 1, 2025, without a stakeholder comment period as the only changes are to align the SJCEMSA policy with the California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 3.3, Article 2, §100091.02.

SJCEMSA Policy No. 2560, Paramedic Scope of Practice.

1. Added to the basic scope of practice was Acetaminophen and Ketorolac.

For any questions, please contact Matthew Esposito at mesposito@sjgov.org or (209)468-6818.