EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE
TERM OF OFFICE - 4 YEARS

(Except for designated member whose terms coincide with terms of their respective offices)

Formed by Board Order June 25, 1968.
ByLaws amended: June 19, 2001; June 17, 1997; June 7, 1993; February 25, 1992; March 26, 1991; April 17, 1985; February 2, 1982; September 10, 2002 (Res. 2002-177); March 30, 2004.

PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE

Formed by Board Order 6/25/68, this committee provides advice to the Health Department and the Board of Supervisors on issues relating to the Merced County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) system. AB 2276 (Section 1750-1752 - Health and Safety Code) mandates the establishment of an Emergency Medical Care Committee.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Representative from Board of Supervisors
2. Representative from District #1
3. Representative from District #2
4. Representative from District #3
5. Representative from District #4
6. Representative from District #5
7. Designated Member – County Health Officer *ADDED 9/10/02
8. Designated Member - OES Local Director
9. Designated Member - Fire Chief or his/her Designee
10. E.R. Physician
11. E.R. Physician
12. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Educator
13. Law Enforcement Representative
14. Hospital Representative
15. Nurse
16. Fire Service Representative from Incorporated City within the County *ADDED 9/10/02
17. EMT-P or I
18. EMT-P or I *ADDED 9/10/02
19. Ambulance Company Representative
20. Ambulance Company Representative
21. CHP Representative

***Board Appointments are part of yearly Board committee Assignments by Board Order.**

(THIS BOARD REQUIRED NOTARY PUBLIC APPOINTMENT FORM AND LETTER)

By-Laws revised 3/30/04 establishing an Ad Hoc Appeals Board, to be appointed by the EMCC Chairperson, to hear appeals from contracted ambulance service regarding compliance with contract specifications.

By-Laws revised 9/10/02 adding 1 designated member- County Health Officer, 1 Fire Service Representative from an incorporated City within the County, 1 Emergency Medical Technician I or P and removing 1 Hospital Representative and 1 Nurse for a total membership of 21.

By-Laws Revision of June 19, 2001 states Hospital Representatives shall represent separate and distinct facilities. A fourth standing sub-committee, the EMS for Children sub-committee, allows the Agency to create a permanent advisory structure to the EMS for Children project and ensures routine reporting on children's issues to the full EMCC and through that body to the Board of Supervisors.

By-Laws Revision of June 17, 1997 deletes the standing position for the Administrator of Merced Community Medical Center; adds an additional Hospital Representative position, total of 2 (from separate and distinct facilities); and, nurse positions revised to represent "separate and distinct facilities". Revision defines a quorum of the committee for voting purposes on action items, as well as strikes the reference to a specific number of positions for each category represented on the Policy and Procedure Sub-Committee.

By-Laws revised 6/7/93 addressing a Policy and Procedure Sub-Committee, EMS System Assessment Sub-Committee and an Ambulance Review Board. The committee membership has also been expanded by one (1) emergency room physician and the EMS Agency Medical Director will become an Ex-Officio member of the EMCC. Language has been added which insures that physician, nurse and hospital representation will be broad based from all hospitals and not just from the Base Hospital. Language has also been included to provide for a Vice-Chairman of the EMCC and for the Committee to meet at least six times per year rather than four.

By-Laws revised 2/25/92 - Part III Meetings - The Committee shall hold a minimum of four (4) meetings per year. One in each of the calendar quarters at a time and place specified by the Chairman.

By-Laws amended by Board action of 3/26/91 to have (1) representative for Emergency Medical Technician I, II or P and update of statutory references in Part I of the By-Laws relating to creation of the EMC Committee. Increased membership to 20 members.

By-Laws revised 4/17/85 - 19 members consisting of MCMC Administration, Fire chief, 1 member of the Board of Supervisors, 1 member from each Supervisorial District, 1 ER Physician, 2 Ambulance Representatives, 2 Nurses, (one from CAFB), 1 EMT Tech I or II and Director of Emergency Services and 1 California Highway Patrolman.

Amended 2/2/82 to include ambulance companies, emergency medical education personnel, hospitals, nurses and emergency medical technician.

(This Board requires Notary Public appointment form and letter)