

**Central California Emergency Medical Services Agency** 

A Division of Fresno County Department of Public Health

## SPECIAL MEMORANDUM

- FILE #: F/K/M/T #02-2017
- TO: All Fresno/Kings/Madera/Tulare EMS Providers, Hospitals, First Responder Agencies, and Interested Parties
- FROM: Jim Andrews, M.D., EMS Medical Director Daniel J. Lynch, Director

DATE: February 28, 2017

SUBJECT: Implementation of EMS Policy and Procedures

#001 – Table of Contents and Revision Log #547 – Patient Destination

Effective March 1, 2017, at 07:00 hours, the EMS Agency will be implementing the above listed policies. Copies of these policies will be available on the EMS Agency website at <u>www.ccemsa.org</u>.

## EMS Policy #001 - Table of Contents and Revision Log

The changes to this policy include the update to the latest revision dates of each policy. All users of the EMS policies and procedures manual should assure that they have the latest version of each policy and procedure.

## EMS Policy #547 – Patient Destination

Kaweah Delta Medical Center will no longer have neurosurgical coverage and will not be accepting neurosurgical trauma patients that meet trauma center destination criteria.

The updated Trauma Destination Chart in Policy #547 establishes the modified criteria in determining destination for the trauma patient. Patients meeting the criteria in Category 2, regardless if being transported by ground or air, shall be transported to the closest appropriate facility, Regional Medical Center or Valley Children's Hospital (14 years of age or less).

Please contact the EMS Agency at (559) 600-3387 if you have any questions.

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Attachments