**Central California Emergency Medical Services Agency** 

A Division of Fresno County Department of Public Health

## **SPECIAL MEMORANDUM**

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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: May 3, 2018

SUBJECT: Closure of Coalinga Regional Medical Center Emergency Department

Effective 0745 this morning, Coalinga Regional Medical Center Emergency Department is closed permanently. While they had intended to close the Emergency Department and hospital on June 15, the lack of available medical staff forced the immediate closure of the Emergency Department.

Since there are no medical staff at the emergency department, <u>any requests for ambulance will</u> <u>be treated as a prehospital call</u>.

The rural health clinic, skilled nursing facility attached to the hospital, and the skilled nursing facility on Maple Avenue are still in operation at this time. Requests to these facilities should continue as normal.

If there are any questions, please contact the EMS Agency at (559) 600-3387.

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