

Central California Emergency Medical Services Agency

A Division of Fresno County Department of Public Health

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Dave Duncan, M.D., Director California Emergency Medical Services Authority 10901 Gold Center Drive, Suite 400 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

RE: CCEMSA Support for Chapter 13 Regulations

Dear Director Duncan:

The Central California EMS Agency (CCEMSA) is writing in support of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) continuing the rule making process for the proposed Chapter 13 regulations. The CCEMSA represents Fresno, Kings, Madera, and Tulare Counties. We believe these regulations unify and better integrate EMS systems of care throughout the State.

The CCEMSA feels strongly that it is time for these regulations to move forward. A multidisciplinary group of individuals spent years on the rewrite process who share the mission of ensuring exceptional statewide prehospital care. The results of their work need to be implemented.

These proposed regulations preserve our statewide system of regional medical direction that is critical to ensure

safe, evidenced-based, timely and equitable prehospital care for our rural and urban communities. The current response to the COVID19 pandemic is evidence of the importance of integrated EMS systems and we fell that the

proposed Chapter 13 regulations will make our EMS systems stronger, more integrated and more consistent throughout the State.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Lynch EMS Director

Attachment