

Contra Costa County Operations Patient Focused - Customer Centered - Caregiver Inspired

SOP# 222	Approved By:
Personal Record Maintenance	
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### A. Purpose

- 1. To insure that all personnel meet applicable State and Local Certification, Accreditation and License requirements and records for their job classification.
- 2. To insure consistent application of company policy in the maintenance of personnel records policy.
- 3. To provide guidance to operations management in the application of personnel records policy.

# B. Policy

- 1. It shall be company policy that all EMT-I, EMT-Paramedic, Registered Nurse, Courier, and V.S.T. personnel maintain current records as required within the employee's job classification and or as defined in local EMS policy.
- 2. Courtesy Notices will be given to employee's monthly on the Monthly Safety Letter.
- 3. A copy of each renewed required record is required to be on file at the operations center prior to expiration.
- 4. Failure to turn in the required completed TB Test/Questionnaire before expiration will result an initiation of an investigation by operations, compliance violations may result in corrective action.
- 5. Suspension will occur if records are not current (TB Health Questionnaire and Report <u>complete</u>) and on-file at the Contra Costa Operations Center in advance of expiration.
  - a. Employees will remain eligible to work if the shift starts AND ends prior to the expiration date.
  - b. The company is not under obligation to return an employee to a shift that they have been suspended from if that shift has already started for the day.
- 6. The employee will be released to duty after the TB Test and/or Questionnaire are updated and on file. A corrective action notice will be submitted to the employee to sign and placed in his/her personnel file.
- 7. Management will provide receipts for received records to employees upon request.
- 8. It is the employee's sole responsibility to insure that copies of required documentation are received in a timely manner, and to verify that those records were received in the Operations Center.

- a. Employees will not assume that the Operations Center has received a certification if sent by fax or DAL.
- b. Employees must confirm that the Operations Center has received the certification and that the employee is eligible to work.
- c. Employees are encouraged to keep copies of their certifications.
- 9. It is the responsibility of each employee to maintain the minimum standard of qualifications and to insure that current copies of all required records are on file at the local operations center.
- 10. Any employee who has been suspended/placed inactive due to failure to meet the minimum requirements of this procedure and remains inactive for more than 30 consecutive days will be terminated from employment.
- 11. New Hire employees will have until one week past their completion of the Local Orientation to be fully compliant with the records requirements (exception Paramedic County Accreditation; PEPP/ ITLS as per CCC Policy). Field FTO time will not be permitted until the employee is compliant; the employee will be placed on inactive status during the period of non-compliance. This includes the "New Hire" two-TB tests process.
- 12. Requirements: (\* = Employee required to have in possession on-duty at all times. ADL, CDL and MEC must be originals)
  - a. PARAMEDIC REQUIRMENTS
    - i. \*CPR Healthcare Provider
    - ii. \*ACLS certification
    - iii. \*BTLS / \*PHTLS/\*ITLS certification
    - iv. \*Paramedic State License
    - v. County Accreditation
    - vi. \*Medical Examiner's Card
    - vii. \*Ambulance Driver's License
    - viii. \*California Driver's License
      - a) Temporary ADL and CDL expire in a short period of time.
      - b) Employees must turn in a permanent record prior to that expiration date to remain eligible.
    - ix. \*PEPP
    - Any additional training or certifications that may be required by the Company or EMSA.

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### b. EMT REQUIRMENTS

- i. \*CPR Healthcare Provider
- ii. \*EMT Certification
- iii. \*Medical Examiner Card
- iv. \*Ambulance Driver's License
- v. \*California Driver's License
  - a) Temporary ADL and CDL expire in a short period of time.
  - b) Employees must turn in a permanent record prior to that expiration date to remain eligible.
- vi. Any additional training or certifications that may be required by the Company or EMSA.

#### c. ALL EMT, PARAMEDICS, VSTs, AND COURIERS:

- i. DMV pull notices are received every six months, and it is the employee's responsibility to assure the DMV maintains and reports your records on file as current
- ii. TB test once a year from the date the last test was read. The test must be read within 48-72 hours of administration. Those employees who have converted MUST complete the health questionnaire every year, have a baseline chest x-ray and medical exam on initial conversion with a doctor's medical clearance to return to work, and have a chest x-ray if symptoms appear.
  - a) TB Health Questionnaire and Report must be <u>complete</u> (injected AND read/or questionnaire) prior to expiration to remain eligible to work.
- iii. Current Employee Profile on file with correct physical address as well as mailing address and home telephone number.
- iv. Employees wishing to change their paycheck distribution location or person(s) authorized to receive their paycheck must submit a new profile with the appropriate information.

# C. Enforcement of Policy

1. Violations of this policy are subject to corrective action up to and including termination of employment.

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