



Emergency Medical Services Agency Prehospital Care Manual **Policy 214**

PREHOSPITAL TRAINING STANDARDS

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Resources
None

I. Purpose

To establish and identify training standards for all prehospital care personnel working in the Santa Clara County Emergency Medical Services System that is beyond EMT Certification or Paramedic Licensure.

The increasing need for training in the provision of emergency medical services requires the establishment of standards of training that support sound incident command principles, responses involving hazardous materials, biological agents, terrorism, etc.

II. Paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians

Minimum training requirements include:

To be completed prior to starting field service:

- A. Incident Command System 100 (may be self study).
- B. Introduction to Standardized Emergency Management System "SEMS" (may be self-study).
- C. Introduction to the National Incident Management System "NIMS" IS 700.a. (may be self-study).

To be completed within six (6) months of beginning field service:

- D. Weapons of Mass Destruction Awareness
(US DHS Course AWR-160 or authorized equivalent)
- E. Santa Clara County EMS System Orientation

To be completed within one year of beginning field service.

- F. Radiological Emergency Management "IS-3" (may be self study)

III. Reporting

- A. The prehospital provider's affiliated agency will submit a letter to the Agency stating that the provider has completed the requirements as specified in this policy.
- B. The affiliated agency will retain course completion records for at least four years.