EMT Certificate Renewal Mandatory Training Requirements Effective July 1, 2019

California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) published revisions to the EMT regulations on July 1, 2017. These changes mandate that all EMTs receive additional training on the use of naloxone, epinephrine by auto-injector and glucometers before they can renew their certification for the first time on or after July 1, 2019.

What this means for EMTs:

All EMTs will need to provide documentation/confirmation of:

- Successful completion of training on the use of naloxone, epinephrine by auto-injector and glucometers the first time they renew their EMT certification on or after July 1, 2019. The SCEMSA EMT recertification application will be updated to capture verification of completion of this additional required training. On the Acella application the drop down will be, "Additional Skills/Training Verification".
- An EMT skills competency verification form (EMSA SCV 01/17), with all sections completed (including section 9 -Epinephrine & Naloxone Administration), will be required with any EMT recertification application submitted on or after July 1, 2019.

What this means for EMS CE/training programs:

EMS CE/training programs must provide EMTs who have completed this required training with a CE/training certificate/letter that clearly indicates that they have received training on the use of naloxone, epinephrine by auto-injector and glucometers.

Title 22 states:

An EMT renewing his or her certification for the first time shall submit documentation of successful completion of the following training by an approved EMT training program or approved CE provider:

- The use and administration of naloxone or other opioid antagonist that meets the standards and requirements of section 100075, subsection (c).
- The use and administration of epinephrine by auto-injector that meets the standards and requirements of section 100075, subsection (d).
- The use of a glucometer that meets the standards and requirements of section 100075, subsection (e).

If an individual possesses a current California-issued paramedic license or California Advanced EMT certificate, then the individual need not comply with the bullet points above.

Please feel free to contact SCEMSA at (916) 875-9753 or <u>SCEMSAInfo@saccounty.net</u> with any questions you may have regarding this matter.