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	Infectious Disease Ambulance Response Team (IDART) Designation	Last Approved Date:	06/22/23
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Purpose:

A. To ensure all providers involved in the transportation and treatment of patients with highly infectious emerging diseases meet minimum standards to ensure the safety of the public and responders.

Authority:

- A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

Protocol:

- A. Sacramento County-approved ALS providers shall request designation in writing to be designated as an IDART providers.
- B. Sacramento County-approved ALS providers that will utilize an out-of-county resource may do so upon approval from the agency.
- C. Out-of-county resources are subject to the same standards and requirements under this document.
- D. To maintain the designation, providers shall maintain the minimum equipment and training as designated in this document.
- E. To be designated as an IDART provider, SCEMSA will conduct an inspection of training records, equipment, provider protocols, and personal protective equipment (PPE). This shall include observing a complete donning and doffing of PPE by responders and a complete setup and removal of ambulance isolation equipment.
- F. All personnel training will comply with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standards at a minimum. These can be found at https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/pdfs/PPE-Sequence-508.pdf
- G. All requirements in PD# 5200 Emerging Viruses-Infectious Disease shall be strictly adhered to.
- H. Requirements for PPE shall be complied with, as directed by the SCEMSA Medical Director.
- I. The following equipment will be required to attain and maintain IDART designation. Specific PPE may vary by identified disease or virus. The SCEMSA Medical Director and/or Public Health Office will designate specific PPE requirements. Upon designation, approved IDART providers shall obtain any additional equipment and train all personnel involved in the designated team:

Examples of Required PPE:

- A. Contact/Droplet PPE
 - 1. Fluid impermeable coveralls without integrated hood
 - 2. Single-use (disposable) hood extending to shoulders
 - 3. Single-use disposable shoe covers, hi-top booties
 - 4. One Single-use full-face shield
 - 5. Single-use N-95 or P-100 Respirator
 - 6. Pair of nitrile gloves regular length
 - 7. Pair of nitrile gloves extended length
- B. Airborne PPE with the Powered Air Purifying Respirator ("PAPR")
 - 1. Fluid impermeable surgical-type coveralls without integrated hood
 - 2. Single-use disposable shoe covers, hi-top booties
 - 3. Pair of nitrile gloves regular length
 - 4. Pair of nitrile gloves extended length
 - 5. PAPR Assembly: PAPR belt, Double-bib Hood, Breathing Tube, Filter Cartridge, Battery Charger

Note: PAPR is reusable if decontaminated properly. Battery Charger is reusable.

Example of Ambulance Patient Compartment Wrap:

- 1. 6 mil (1 mil = 0.0254 mm) clear plastic sheeting (minimum)
- 2. Duct Tape (Note that duct tape has a rating scale for adhesiveness and weather ability, so choose a four (4) or higher for adhesiveness and weather ability based upon local climate humidity factors.)
- 3. Scissors
- 4. Large plastic sheeting, if needed, for a seat at the patient's head (Jump Seat/Captain's Chair)

Training Requirements:

- 1. Personnel designated by a provider as an IDART team member shall receive all appropriate training required for the use of designated PPE and ambulance setup and decontamination.
- 2. Practical training shall occur no less than once per calendar month and shall include:
 - Full process of donning and doffing PPE.
 - Full process of setting up and removal of ambulance isolation set up.
 - Review and exercise of decontamination of ambulance and equipment.

Cross Reference: PD# 5200 – Emerging Viruses/ Infectious Disease