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Memorandum

Date: June 3, 2026
To: Sacramento County EMS Agency (SCEMSA) Stakeholders
From: Dr. Gregory Kann – SCEMSA Medical Director
Subject: Revised Buprenorphine Implementation Date

Dear Stakeholders,

Sacramento County EMS Agency (SCEMSA) has been working toward implementing our EMS-Initiated Buprenorphine Program. EMS-Initiated Buprenorphine provides real and measurable benefits to our community, and SCEMSA is committed to deploying this program safely, responsibly, and effectively.

We have heard stakeholder concerns regarding an out-of-cycle implementation of this new program. To ensure our agencies and clinicians are fully prepared and supported, we are adjusting the program start date to align with our normal implementation cycle.

Revised Implementation Date:
Original Start Date: July 1, 2026
New Start Date: November 1, 2026.

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Thank you for your continued leadership, engagement, and dedication to this lifesaving work. Please reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,



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