



# Stroke

## **Critical Care System Plan**

*Prepared By:*

Sacramento County Department of Health  
Services Emergency Medical Services Agency  
2020 Annual Update

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY  
2020 STROKE CRITICAL CARE SYSTEM PLAN ANNUAL UPDATE  
June 8, 2021**

In accordance with State of California Code of Regulations, Title 22 – Division 9, Chapter 7.2, Sacramento County submits this Stroke Critical Care System Plan Update.

**Stroke Critical Care System Plan**

The Stroke Care Committee provides comprehensive evaluations of patients that suffered an acute stroke. Participants include representatives in public and private transportation, nurses, physicians and other disciplines. The Stroke Care Committee identifies areas needing improvement, takes steps to correct deficiencies, and recognizes excellence in performance and delivery of care.

**2020 Overview**

Sacramento County Emergency Medical Service Agency (SCEMSA) continues to improve the quality and accuracy of data reporting in order to improve Sacramento County's Stroke care. We continue to monitor documentation compliance and trend improvements via quality improvement audits and documentation dashboards in system monitoring.

**2020 Update**

The Stroke Care Committee is the multi-stakeholder group which advises the SCEMSA Medical Director and Medical/Operational Advisory Committees to improve communication, review performance data, identify areas in need of improvement and provide both positive and potential quality improvement initiatives within our Stroke system.

SCEMSA established a Stroke System application process and executed contracts with ten (10) hospitals. This includes eight (8) within Sacramento County and two (2) within the City of Roseville. Three (3) of these facilities are Comprehensive Stroke Receiving Centers with an additional hospital preparing to go into its review to upgrade.

Current policies and protocols do not have prehospital providers divert to Comprehensive Stroke hospitals, but SCEMSA continues to evaluate the system needs based on communication, review of performance data and suggested improvement initiatives within our Stroke Community.

# **Annex 1**

**2019 STROKE  
CRITICAL CARE  
SYSTEM PLAN  
UPDATE:  
APPROVAL LETTER**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AUTHORITY**

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May 14, 2021

Mr. Dave Magnino, EMS Administrator  
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Dear Mr. Magnino:

This letter is in response to Sacramento County's 2019 emergency medical services (EMS) plan, and the St-Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI), Stroke, Trauma, and Quality Improvement (QI) plan submissions to the EMS Authority on October 13, 2020.

The EMS Authority has reviewed the EMS plan, based on compliance with statutes, regulations, and case law. It has been determined the plan meets all EMS system components identified in Health and Safety Code (HSC) § 1797.103 and is approved for implementation pursuant to HSC § 1797.105(b). Based on transportation documentation provided, the EMS Authority has noted your Emergency Ambulance Zone as Non-Exclusive and has enclosed for reference.

The EMS Authority has also reviewed the STEMI, Stroke, Trauma, and QI plans, based on compliance with HSC §§ 1797.257 and 1797.258, and Chapters 7, 7.1, 7.2, 12, and 14 of California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, and has approved for implementation.

In accordance with HSC § 1797.254, please submit an annual EMS plan to the EMS Authority on or before May 14, 2022. Please also submit an annual STEMI, Stroke, Trauma, and QI plan concurrently as part of your EMS plan. If you have any questions regarding the EMS Plan review, please contact Ms. Lisa Galindo, EMS Plans Coordinator, at (916) 431-3688.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Tom McGinnis - EMT-P'.

Tom McGinnis, EMT-P  
Chief, EMS Systems Division

Enclosure

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