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MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS

MRC Scope of Practice: EMT-P

Purpose: To define the scope of practice of a volunteer Emergency Medical Technician–Paramedic providing treatment as a MRC volunteer in Santa Barbara County or deployment area.

Authority: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Sections 1797.200 & 1798. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Sections 100144, 100146, 100147, 100169

Policy:

- A. An EMT-P may perform any activity identified in the Scope of Practice of an EMT-1 as defined in regulations.
- B. An EMT-P student or EMT-P accredited in Santa Barbara County, while caring for patients in a hospital as part of their training or continuing education, under the direct supervision of a physician, registered nurse, or physician assistant, or while at the scene of a medical emergency, during transport, or during inter-facility transfer when medical direction is maintained according to the policies and procedures of Santa Barbara County Emergency Medical Services, may:
 - 1. Perform direct laryngoscopy and insert oral endotracheal tube in adults and children 8 years and older.
 - 2. Insert King Tube or other approved airway device.
 - 3. Utilize a carbon dioxide detector device and an air aspiration device to confirm placement of endotracheal tube or King Tube or other approved airway device.
 - 4. Perform direct laryngoscopy and remove laryngeal foreign bodies with Magill forceps.
 - 5. Insert intravenous (IV) catheters or needles in peripheral veins and connect to IV tubing or Saline lock.
 - 6. Monitor pre-existing central vascular access lines.
 - 7. Infuse IV Normal Saline solution.
 - 8. Obtain venous blood samples.
 - 9. Administer, using prepackaged products when available, the following drugs:
 - a. Activated charcoal PO
 - b. Adenosine IV
 - c. Albuterol Nebulized

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- d. Aspirin PO
 - e. Atropine sulfate IV or ET
 - f. Calcium chloride IV
 - g. Dextrose IV or PO
 - h. Diazepam IV
 - i. Diphenhydramine hydrochloride IV or IM
 - j. Dopamine hydrochloride IV
 - k. Epinephrine IV, IM or ET
 - l. Furosemide IV
 - m. Glucagon hydrochloride IM or IV
 - n. Lidocaine hydrochloride IV
 - o. Magnesium Sulfate IV
 - p. Midazolam IM or IV
 - q. Morphine sulfate IM or IV
 - r. Naloxone hydrochloride IM or IV
 - s. Nitroglycerine SL
 - t. Pralidoxime (2-PAM) Auto Injector
 - u. Sodium bicarbonate IV
- 10. Perform defibrillation.
 - 11. Perform synchronized cardioversion.
 - 12. Perform gastric suction through a pre-existing nasogastric or orogastric tube.
 - 13. Perform Valsalva maneuver.
 - 14. Monitor thoracostomy tubes.
 - 15. Monitor IV solutions containing potassium ≤ 20 mEq/L.
 - 16. Perform Needle Thoracostomy.
 - 17. Perform Needle Cricothyrotomy
 - 18. Perform blood glucose level determination.
 - 19. Perform Intraosseous Infusion
 - 20. Perform Transcutaneous Pacing (TCP)
 - 21. Perform Automatic Ventilation
 - 22. Cardiac monitoring and rhythm interpretation (ECG).
- C. Any skill that is not identified in this policy shall not be performed by Santa Barbara County Paramedics, even if they are directly supervised by a physician or registered nurse, unless these skills fall under a state approved trial study project.