



Date: June 10, 2016

To: Contra Costa Ambulance Providers

From: Bruce Kenagy, Prehospital Care Coordinator

RE: Revised Required Minimum Equipment Lists

The revised Minimum Equipment List for ambulances is now available on our website at www.cccems.org/documents. This list will go into effect on July 1, 2016. Inspections completed after that date will use the new standards.

In addition to clarifying requirements for several items, the following were either added or removed from the ambulance list:

Added items:

- Chest Seal (e.g., Asherman, Halo, Sam) to replace petroleum gauze
- Pen light
- Fire Extinguisher (10-BC)
- Alcohol prep pads (to clean equipment)
- Chlorhexidine wipes (may be included in IV start paks)
- Hospital-grade bleach wipes
- Bactericidal hand wipes (equivalent to Vironex)
- Face shield
- N95 mask
- Metronome (for CPR)
- Nitrile non-sterile exam gloves (small/medium/large)
- Hard hat (with goggles or equivalent)
- Leather palmed gloves
- Radio capable of operating on EBRCS system (no later than July 31, 2017)
- End Tidal CO2 monitoring equipment – nasal cannula
- End Tidal CO2 monitoring equipment – in-line airway

Deleted items (these items may still be carried, but are no longer required):

- Simple oxygen mask (pediatric/infant)
- Vaseline gauze



- End Tidal CO2 detector (colorimetric)
- Secured drug box

Changed quantities for existing items:

- Band-aids – reduced to 10
- 4x4 non-sterile compresses – increased to 50
- 4x4 sterile gauze pads – increase to 12
- 3” rolled bandage – decreased to 4
- 40” triangular bandage – decreased to 2
- Cold packs – decreased to 6
- Glucose paste – decreased to 1

Thank you.