

BLS SERVICE PROVIDER POLICY APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENTS/STANDBYS

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide the procedures for the authorization of BLS Service Provider coverage for special event/standbys.

AUTHORITY

Division 2.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 1797.220; Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Division 9, Sections 100126, 100146, and 100163.

POLICY

A. BLS Coverage:

A BLS service provider shall be allowed for all special event/standbys that do not require an ALS service provider due to the requirements of the special event/standby sponsor's insurance carrier or the by-laws of the special event/standby sponsor.

B. Transport of Patients from the Special Event/Standby:

The EMS transport of any patient(s) from the scene of a special event/standby shall be made by the YEMSA authorized emergency ALS service provider ambulance assigned to the area where the special event/standby is occurring. **The BLS service provider shall not transport the patient. If EMS transportation is necessary, the BLS provider shall immediately utilize the 9-1-1 system.**

C. Non YEMSA approved BLS Service Providers:

Non YEMSA approved BLS service providers that wish to provide BLS service provider coverage of a special event/standby within the YEMSA shall apply for temporary authorization.

D. Duration of special event/standby authorization:

For the purpose of providing BLS medical coverage for special event/standbys, authorization shall be effective only for the date(s) of the event.

PROCEDURE

A. A YEMSA approved BLS service provider shall:

1. Immediately call 9-1-1 and request a YEMSA authorized emergency ALS service provider to respond and transport a patient if EMS transportation is necessary.
2. Orient all BLS personnel covering the special event/standby to the equipment, staff, and transportation requirements listed in this policy.
3. Agree to have available, on the grounds of the special event/standby all appropriate BLS equipment and staff as required by the California Highway Patrol and be currently licensed by the California

Highway Patrol. If an ambulance will not be utilized, agree to have appropriate equipment and supplies to be able to provide BLS patient assessment and treatment.

B. A non YEMSA approved BLS service provider shall:

1. Be a provider in good standing within a LEMSA in the State of California.
2. Complete and submit an application to the YEMSA for approval at least seven (7) working days prior to the event.
3. Pay the Application Fee.
4. Immediately call 9-1-1 and request a YEMSA authorized emergency ALS service provider to respond and transport a patient if EMS transportation is necessary.
5. Orient all BLS personnel covering the special event/standby to the equipment, staff, and transportation requirements listed in this policy.
6. Agree to have available, on the grounds of the special event/standby all appropriate BLS equipment and staff as required by the California Highway Patrol and be currently licensed by the California Highway Patrol. If an ambulance will not be utilized, agree to have appropriate equipment and supplies to be able to provide BLS patient assessment and treatment.