



## El Dorado County Emergency Services Authority

Policy Subject Matter:           **Utilization of EMT/EMT-Paramedics on JPA Ambulances**  
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### **I. Policy:**

- A. In order for an individual to drive the ambulance or function as the primary patient attendant, an individual must be approved in advance.
1. An individual may not work on a JPA ambulance until he/she has successfully completed the approval process.
  2. In order to successfully complete the approval process, the individual must provide valid documentation of the following license or certification:
    - a) CPR Card
    - b) California EMT-1 certification
    - c) California EMT-Paramedic License.
    - d) El Dorado County EMT/EMT-Paramedic Accreditation
    - e) If the employee is **not** a fulltime paid firefighter an Ambulance driver's license is required by California Vehicle Code and a Medical examiner's certification
  3. Each fire district is responsible to ensure that all individuals operation and /or serving as a primary patient attendants on JPA ambulances posses the required license(s) and/or certifications(s) and have successfully completed the approval process.
- B. An individual shall be approved to operate and/or serve as a primary patient attendant on a JPA ambulance upon successful completion of an orientation program which will consist of, at a minimum:
1. Orientation to fire district's policies and procedures
  2. Orientation to JPA policies and procedures
  3. District evaluation of EMT skills during actual emergency responses
  4. Completion of the Emergency Vehicle Operators Course or equivalent (refer to policy #405).
- C. The individual's approval to operate and/or serve as a primary patient attendant on a JPA ambulance shall be continuous contingent upon satisfactory performance review and evaluation and all required documentation.
- D. JPA fire districts shall maintain documentation of an individual's satisfactory completion of all EMT/EMT-Paramedic approval requirements and shall make this documentation available upon request.

### **II. Purpose:**

The purpose of this policy is to define the process by which an individual is approved to operate and/or serve as primary patient attendant on JPA ambulances.