

NOTICES OF AGENCY GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

The Administrative Procedure Act requires the publication of guidance documents and substantive policy statements issued by agencies (A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(14)). Substantive policy statements and guidance documents are written expressions which inform the general public of an agency's current approach to rule or regulation practice. Substantive policy statements and agency guidance documents do not include internal procedural documents which may only affect the internal procedures of the agency and do not impose additional requirements or penalties on regulated parties in accordance with A.R.S. Title 41.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

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1. Title of the guidance document and the guidance document number by which the document is referenced:

GD-097-PHS-EMS: Triage, Treatment and Transport Guidelines

2. Date of the publication of the guidance document and the effective date of the document if different from the publication:

May 19, 2009

3. Summary of the contents of the guidance document:

The guidance document provides the Arizona Department of Health Services' recommendations for EMTs for triage, treatment, and transport of patients in the pre-hospital setting for the following subject areas:

- Adult Chest Pain
- Adult Bradycardia
- Adult Tachycardia
- Adult Pulseless Arrest – CCR
- Adult Pulseless Arrest – CPR
- Adult Termination of Resuscitation
- Dead On Scene
- Transport to Designated Cardiac Arrest Center
- Adult Respiratory Difficulty
- Unconscious/Unresponsive
- Behavioral Emergency
- Poison – Ingestion/Inhalation
- Poison – Bites and Stings
- Poison – Snakebite
- Seizures
- Hyperthermia
- Hypothermia
- Trauma – General Management
- Trauma – Amputation
- Trauma – Fracture/Dislocation/Sprain
- Trauma – Head Injury
- Trauma – Field Triage Decision Scheme
- Stroke
- High Risk OB
- Pediatric Shortness of Breath
- Pediatric Heat Exposure
- Pediatric Allergic Reaction
- Newborn Resuscitation
- Pediatric – PEA 30
- Pediatric – Bradycardia 31
- Pediatric – SVT
- Pediatric – V-Fib, V-Tech
- Pediatric – Seizures
- Pediatric – Altered Mental Status
- Pediatric – Shock
- Pediatric – Submersion Injury

4. A statement as to whether the guidance document is a new document or a revision:

The guidance document is a new document which provides the Arizona Department of Health Services' recommendations for triage, treatment, and transport of patients in the pre-hospital setting and also incorporates the guidance documents listed above.

5. The name and address of the person to whom questions and comments about the guidance document may be directed:

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6. Information about where a person may obtain a copy of the guidance document and the costs for obtaining the document:

The guidance document is available, free of charge, on the Arizona Department of Health Services web site at http://www.azdhs.gov/diro/admin_rules/guidance.htm. Copies of the guidance document may also be obtained from the Arizona Department of Health Services, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System, 150 N. 18th Ave., Suite 540, Phoenix, AZ 85007, for 25 cents per page. Payment is accepted in cash or money order made payable to the Arizona Department of Health Services.