

TITLE: MICN RE-AUTHORIZATION

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I. AUTHORITY

Division 2.5, Health and Safety Code, Section 1797.56; Division 2, Business and Professions Code, Section 2725; and Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 100174 (b)(7).

II. DEFINITIONS

"Agency" - means the Mountain-Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency.

"Base Hospital" - means a hospital approved and designated by the Agency to provide immediate medical direction and supervision of Advanced Life Support (ALS) care in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Agency.

"Mobile Intensive Care Nurse" ("MICN") - means a registered nurse who is functioning pursuant to Section 2725 of the Business and Professions Code, and who has been authorized by the Agency Medical Director to issue instructions to prehospital emergency medical care personnel within this region according to the Prehospital Treatment Guidelines developed by the Agency.

III. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to assure that MICNs maintain relevant skills and acquire sufficient continuing education to remain current in the practice of Mobile Intensive Care Nursing.

IV. POLICY

An Agency authorized MICN shall be reauthorized upon successful completion of the Agency requirements as listed in this policy.

V. PROCEDURE

A. Prior to expiration of current authorization, the candidate shall:

1. Submit a completed Agency application which includes:

a. Payment of established fee(s). The Agency shall not process applications until all required fees are paid.

b. A signed affidavit that the candidate is not precluded from authorization for any reason defined in Division 2.5, Health and Safety Code, Section 1798.200.

- c. Documentation of current California Registered Nurse license.
 - d. A photo identification.
 - e. Verification of successful completion of all continuing education requirements during the authorization period. Continuing education for each MICN shall include, at a minimum:
 - (1) Sixteen (16) hours of formal education, relating specifically to ALS pre-hospital care.
 - (2) Eight (8) hours of continuing education prescribed by the EMS Agency Medical Director.
- B. Upon satisfactory completion of the requirements of this policy, The MICN will be issued authorization for a maximum period of two years. The new effective date of authorization shall be the day after their current authorization expires. The certification expiration date will be the final day of the final month of the two (2) year period.
1. If an MICN applies for reauthorization more than six (6) months before their current authorization expires, they will be issued a new beginning authorization date effective the day that they meet the reauthorization requirements.
- C. Individuals applying for reauthorization, whose authorization has lapsed shall be eligible for reauthorization upon submission of documents indicating:
1. For a lapse of less than one (1) year:

Completion of all of the above requirements, plus a prorated amount of organized field care audits and continuing education based on the number of months since the last authorization, not to exceed a total of 36 hours.
 2. For a lapse of one (1) to two (2) years:
 - a. Completion of all of the above, including the prorated amount of continuing education and;
 - b. Successful evaluation by an authorized MICN or Base Hospital physician of ten (10) ALS radio calls.
 3. For a lapse of more than two (2) years:

Completion of all the above, and any additional training or evaluation required by the Agency Medical Director.