



Mountain-Valley

Emergency Medical Services Agency

To: All Holders of Mountain-Valley EMS Policy and Procedure Manual
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Re: Policy Manual Updates

***Note: Policy 552.65 is a TEMPORARY POLICY – Effective November 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 AND is to only be used by those provider agencies who have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Agency to participate in the H1N1 Vaccination program.**

**MOUNTAIN-VALLEY EMS AGENCY
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

POLICY: **552.65**
TITLE: **PARAMEDIC
ADMINISTRATION OF
H1N1 INFLUENZA
VACCINE**

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**PARAMEDIC ADMINISTRATION OF H1N1 INFLUENZA VACCINE
TEMPORARY POLICY – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2009 – JUNE 30, 2010**

I. **AUTHORITY:**

Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.172, 1797.220, 1797.214, California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9, Chapter 4, Section 100145

II. **PURPOSE:**

To provide a mechanism for EMT-Ps to administer H1N1 Influenza Vaccine within the limitations of the timelines of this policy.

III. **POLICY:**

A. EMT-Ps may administer H1N1 Influenza Vaccine if they:

- 1 are associated with an Ambulance Provider Agency or ALS First Response Fire Department that has signed a Memorandum of Understanding to participate in the H1N1 Vaccination Program.
- 2 have successfully completed a training program approved by the Mountain-Valley EMS Agency Medical Director on H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Administration

B. Paramedics may administer the H1N1 Influenza Vaccine at an event scheduled by the Ambulance Provider Agency or ALS First Response Fire Department to which they are affiliated to:

- 1 Pre Hospital Employees of an Ambulance Provider Agency or ALS First Response Fire Department.
- 2 Fire Department First Response Personnel
- 3 Law Enforcement Personnel.

IV. PROCEDURE:

- A. A screening questionnaire, including consent for treatment, must be completed by each patient receiving a vaccination and reviewed prior to administration of the H1N1 Influenza Vaccine. Individual receiving H1N1 Influenza Vaccine must be given a Vaccine Information Statement.
- B. Paramedics must maintain aseptic technique when administering the H1N1 Influenza Vaccine.
- C. Equipment Required:
 - 1 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine
 - 2 Syringe
 - 3 22-25 Gauge needle that is 1" to 1 1/2" in length
 - 4 Alcohol prep swabs, allow to dry before administering vaccine
 - 5 Gloves
 - 6 Documentation Forms
- D. Wash hands and don gloves
- E. Check vial for proper drug, dose, and expiration date
- F. Shake syringe and vial before each withdrawal of vaccine
- G. Cleanse area of the deltoid muscle with alcohol prep
- H. Insert needle into vaccine and draw 0.5 mL into syringe
- I. Hold skin taut and insert needle at a 90 degree angle into the muscle with quick, darting motion
- J. Aspirate slightly on the syringe plunger to ensure proper needle placement
- K. Inject vaccine into tissue slowly in one continuous motion using steady pressure
- L. Monitor the patient, for 15 minutes, for any symptoms of an allergic reaction
- M. Document vaccination administration on the following forms:
 - 1 H1N1 Vaccination Administration Log
 - 2 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Doses Administered Weekly Tally Sheet
 - 3 Individual Immunization Record Card, to be given to the individual receiving vaccination