

**PATIENT CARE PROCEDURE #5
MEDICAL GROUP SUPERVISOR AT THE SCENE**

I. STANDARD:

1. *The Incident Command System and National Incident Management System shall be used.*

II. PURPOSE:

1. To define who has overall patient care responsibility at the EMS scene, and to define the line of authority when multiple agencies respond.

III. PROCEDURE:

1. An incident commander will designate those ICS positions as necessary. When no other incident commander has been appointed the highest medical person shall be in command until a person of equal or greater training relieves him/her. EMS personnel shall direct patient care per County Operating Procedures (COPs) and Medical Program Director protocols.
2. The Medical Group Supervisor should be the individual with the highest level of medical certification who is empowered by County Operating Procedures (COPs).
3. Diversion from this PCP shall be reviewed by responding agencies, and then reported to the county MPD in the jurisdiction of the incident.

IV. QUALITY IMPROVEMENT:

The East Region Prehospital & Transportation Committee will review this PCP upon receipt of suggested modifications from a local provider, the East Region QI Committee, the Department of Health, or any other entity suggesting modifications to the document, at least biennially.

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