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	Infectious Disease Ambulance Response Team (IDART) Designation	Last Approved Date:	05/09/19
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# Purpose:

A. To ensure all providers involved in the transportation and treatment of patients with highly infectious emerging diseases meet minimum standards to ensure the safety of the public and responders.

## **Authority:**

- A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9

#### Protocol:

- A. Sacramento County approved ALS providers shall request designation in writing to be designated as an IDART provider.
- B. Sacramento County approved ALS providers that will utilize an out of county resource, may do so upon approval from the agency.
- C. Out of county resources are subject to the same standards and requirements under this document.
- D. To maintain designation, providers shall maintain the minimum equipment and training as designated in this document.
- E. To be designated as an IDART provider, SCEMSA will conduct an inspection of training records, equipment, provider protocols and personal protective equipment (PPE). This shall include observing a complete donning and doffing of PPE by responders and a complete set up and removal of ambulance isolation equipment.
- F. All personnel training will comply with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) standards at a minimum. These can be found at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/procedures-for-ppe.html">http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/hcp/procedures-for-ppe.html</a>
- G. All requirements in PD# 5200 shall be strictly adhered to.
- H. Requirements for PPE shall be complied with, as directed from the SCEMSA Medical Director.
- I. The following equipment will be required to attain and maintain IDART designation. Specific PPE may vary by identified disease or virus. The SCEMSA Medical Director and/or Public Health Office will designate specific PPE requirements. Upon designation, approved IDART providers shall obtain any additional equipment and train all personnel involved in the designated team:

### **Examples of Required PPE:**

- A. Contact/Droplet PPE
  - 1. Fluid impermeable coveralls without integrated hood
  - 2. Single use (disposable) hood extending to shoulders

- 3. Single use disposable shoe covers, hi-top booties
- 4. One Single-use full-face shield
- 5. Single-use N-95 or P-100 Respirator
- 6. Pair of nitrile gloves regular length
- 7. Pair of nitrile gloves extended length
- B. Airborne PPE with the Powered Air Purifying Respirator ("PAPR")
  - 1. Fluid impermeable surgical type coveralls without integrated hood
  - 2. Single use disposable shoe covers, hi-top booties
  - 3. Pair of nitrile gloves regular length
  - 4. Pair of nitrile gloves extended length
  - 5. PAPR Assembly: PAPR belt, Double-bib Hood, Breathing Tube, Filter Cartridge, Battery Charger

Note: PAPR is reusable if decontaminated properly. Battery Charger is reusable.

### **Example of Ambulance Patient Compartment Wrap:**

- 1. 6 mil (1 mil = 0.0254 mm) clear plastic sheeting (minimum)
- 2. Duct Tape (Note duct tape has a rating scale for adhesiveness and weather ability so choose a 4 or higher for adhesiveness and weather ability based upon local climate humidity factors.)
- 3. Scissors
- 4. Large plastic sheeting if needed for seat at patient's head (Jump Seat/Captain's Chair)

#### **Training Requirements:**

- Personnel designated by a provider as an IDART team member shall receive all appropriate training required for use of designated PPE and ambulance set up and decontamination.
- 2. Practical training shall occur no less than once per calendar month and shall include:
  - Full process of donning and doffing PPE.
  - Full process of setting up and removal of ambulance isolation set up.
  - Review and exercising of decontamination of ambulance and equipment.

Cross Reference: PD# 5200 - Emerging Viruses/ Infectious Disease