

# EL DORADO COUNTY EMS AGENCY PERSONNEL POLICIES

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EMSAgency Medical Director

## MICN CERTIFICATION AND RECERTIFICATION

### AUTHORITY:

California Health and Safety Code, 1797.210, 1797.212, and 1797.214; and California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 100166.

### PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to define the process by which the El Dorado County EMS Agency can ensure that all Mobile Intensive Care Nurses (MICN) functioning within the County are oriented to local policies, procedures, and EMS system features.

### POLICY:

Upon successful completion of all the items listed below, the individual will be issued Certification for a period of two (2) years. The effective date of certification shall be the date the individual satisfies all certification requirements. The certification expiration date will be the final day of the final month of the two (2) year period.

### MICN Certification

**The Base Hospital Coordinator shall notify the El Dorado County EMS Agency in writing of applicant's successful completion of the below requirements and submit all requirements for certification.**

1. Provide proof of current certification as a Mobile Intensive Care Nurse in a California county and pass El Dorado County Protocol test with at least 80%  
OR  
Completion of El Dorado County Basic Mobile Intensive Care Nurse Course which includes orientation to El Dorado County Protocols, Policies and Procedures, radio communications, Trauma and MCI plans.
  - a. Pass El Dorado County Protocol Test with at least 80%
  - b. Complete MICN Radio Orientation
  - c. Complete Advanced Life Support (ALS) emergency response vehicle observation experience and MICN Field Observation Form:
    - i. Direct observation of at least four (4) hours, which must include at least two (2) patient contacts in which the patient is assessed.
    - ii. If two (2) patient contacts are not completed, two (2) ALS scenarios will be conducted by the Paramedic within the four (4) hour observation period.
2. Completed application and pay associated fee.
3. Evidence of a valid and current license as a Registered Nurse in California.
4. Evidence of a valid and current ACLS card according to the standard of the AHA.
5. Evidence of a valid and current PALS card according to the standard of the AHA.
6. Government issued Photo Identification.
7. Proof of employment and endorsed by the Manager or Pre-Hospital Care Coordinator of an El Dorado County Base Hospital emergency department within the last six (6) months.

**MICN Recertification:**

**The Base Hospital Coordinator shall notify the El Dorado County EMS Agency in writing of applicant's successful completion of the below requirements and submit all requirements for re-certification.**

1. Completed application and pay associated fee.
2. Evidence of a valid and current El Dorado County (EDC) MICN certification card.
3. Completion of El Dorado County Basic Mobile Intensive Care Nurse Course.
4. Evidence of a valid and current license as a Registered Nurse in California.
5. Evidence of a valid and current ACLS card according to the standard of the AHA.
6. Evidence of a valid and current PALS card according to the standard of the AHA.
7. Government issued Photo Identification.
8. Proof of employment on Department Letterhead endorsed by the Manager or Pre-Hospital Care Coordinator of an El Dorado County Base Hospital emergency department within the last six (6) months.
9. Obtain a minimum of eight (8) hours of instructor based credit of prehospital focused education. Prehospital education may be fulfilled by the following means:
  - a. Attendance at Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI), Medical Advisory (MAC) or Paramedic Advisory (PAC) committee meetings.
  - b. Provide completed MICN filed Observation Form Advanced of Life Support (ALS) emergency response vehicle observation experience.
    1. Direct observation of at least four (4) hours, which must include at least two (2) patient contacts in which the patient is assessed.
    2. If two (2) patient contacts are not completed, two (2) ALS scenarios will be conducted by the Paramedic within the four (4) hour observation period.
  - c. Run reviews or attendance of pre-approved EMS educational conferences or seminars.
10. Completion of EDC EMS Annual Policy, Protocol, and Procedure Update classes.

**Lapse in certification:**

Recertification is required under the following conditions:

1. Lapse in California State RN license
2. Lapse of current MICN certification from 1 day to 12 months
  - a. MICNs who have not satisfied the requirements or lack documentation to demonstrate completion shall be reported to the EMS Agency and will not be allowed to function as MICN until recertified.

**To recertify following a lapse in certification, complete all the steps in MICN Recertification section.**

**MICN inactive status:**

Current MICN certification but no longer employed by an El Dorado Base Hospital

To reactivate provide proof of employment and endorsed by the Manager or Pre-Hospital Care Coordinator of an El Dorado County Base Hospital Emergency Department.