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**No. 2011-02**

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Topic: Mandatory CQI Advanced Airway Study

Effective: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011

Attention: All ALS providers and BLS optional scope providers

The El Dorado County Continuous Quality Improvement Committee will be conducting an advanced airway study beginning on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. The study is expected to conclude after six months and will include all intubation attempts, including the use of King Airway Devices and Combitubes.

Providers will be expected to complete the attached Airway Study Form for every advanced airway attempt (successful or unsuccessful) and forward the completed form to their respective CQI rep. An "attempt" is defined as passing any portion of an ET tube, King Airway, or Combitube into a patient's mouth.

Thank you for your participation in this important CQI study.

Please contact the Emergency Medical Services Agency with any questions.

Sincerely,

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