



# Prehospital Data Collection Program

EMS ADMINISTRATION 605

<b>PURPOSE</b>	<p>I. This policy establishes the requirements for data collection and submission for ambulance providers and first responder agencies to ensure appropriate quality improvement of the EMS system.</p>
<b>POLICY</b>	<p><b>I. REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Ambulance providers and first responder agencies shall implement and utilize an electronic patient care report (ePCR) system that is compliant a current version of NEMSIS. Additional requirements include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. ePCR systems shall provide the prehospital provider with the ability to complete and transmit an ePCR at the patient's side.</li><li>2. ePCR systems shall be capable of bi-directional data exchange that is compliant with Napa County EMS Agency's NEMSIS compliant data repository.</li></ul></li><li>B. Ambulance providers and first responder agencies shall provide the Napa County EMS Agency electronic access to their ePCR system.</li><li>C. Ambulance providers and first responder agencies shall connect their ePCR system to the Napa County EMS Agency designated comprehensive data analytic tool. Data reporting from the ePCR system to the designated comprehensive data analytic tool shall be unrestricted and include Protected Health Information.</li><li>D. ePCR systems shall meet the data field requirements contained within the EQIP approved by the Napa County EMS Agency Medical Director. The ePCR system must be able to accommodate the addition or modification of data elements which may be specific to the Napa County EMS System or NEMSIS/CEMSIS data sets. Data reporting shall be consistent with NEMSIS, CEMSIS and any local modification requirements.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. For non-urgent alterations, each ePCR system, ambulance provider and first responder agency must implement modifications or additions to data elements within 30 calendar days of written request by the Napa County EMS Agency.</li><li>2. For urgent alterations, each ePCR system, ambulance provider and first responder agency must implement modifications or additions to data elements within 15 calendar days of written request by the Napa County EMS Agency.</li></ul></li></ul>