

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

BASE HOSPITAL/TRAUMA CENTER

DE-DESIGNATION OF A TRAUMA CENTER

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PURPOSE I.

To establish a policy and procedure for de-designation of a Trauma Center

II. AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1798.163.

III. POLICY

A. Termination for Cause

- 1. County of San Diego, Emergency Medical Services (CoSD EMS) may immediately terminate its Trauma Center agreement if a Trauma Center's license to operate as a general acute care hospital is revoked or suspended.
- 2. CoSD EMS may immediately suspend its agreement upon written notice if a Trauma Center is in gross default of material obligation under the Agreement for Trauma Center Designation. Failure to comply with the Agreement for Trauma Center Designation will result in a written notice of deficiency with a specified time to remedy the issue. The time will be determined by the governing agency.
- 3. Failure to remedy the issue within the time allotment will result in termination of the Agreement for Trauma Center Designation.
- 4. Recommendations of de-designation will be approved by the CoSD Board of Supervisors.

B. Termination for Convenience

- 1. Either CoSD EMS or the Trauma Center may terminate the Agreement for Trauma Center Designation as a termination for convenience per the language of the agreement.
- 2. Upon the de-designation of a Trauma Center CoSD EMS shall be responsible for system redesign decisions.