

 <p>County of San Diego EMS A Division of San Diego County Fire</p>	MEDICAL CONTROL	S-416
	SUPPLY AND RESUPPLY OF DESIGNATED EMS AGENCIES AND VEHICLES	
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I. PURPOSE

To provide a policy for agencies to procure, store, and distribute medical supplies and pharmaceuticals identified in the inventory.

II. AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5, Section 1797.202; and California Code, Business and Professions Code, Section 4000 (et seq.).

III. DEFINITION(S)

Dangerous Drugs and Devices: Any drug or device unsafe for self-use. This includes IV solutions and medications and any drug or device bearing the legend, “Caution, federal law prohibits dispensing without prescriptions” or words of similar import.

IV. POLICY

- A.** Each agency shall have a mechanism to procure, store, and distribute its own medical supplies and pharmaceuticals under the license and supervision of an appropriate Physician. An appropriate Physician is considered to be one of the following:
 - 1. The Medical Director of the agency
 - 2. The Medical Director of a contracted Base Hospital
- B.** Mechanisms of procurement may include the following:
 - 1. Procurement of pharmaceuticals and medical supplies through a legally authorized source, such as a pharmaceutical distributor or wholesaler.
- C.** Each agency shall have procedures in place for the procurement, transport, storage, and distribution of Dangerous Drugs and Devices.