



## Draft Policy Public Comments Received: 12/31 - 01/31/2025

P-401 Paramedic Scope of Practice		
DATE	NAME	PUBLIC COMMENT
1/4/2025	Jennifer Cochran	Consider adding language to include the use/monitoring of mechanical ventilators.

1/31/2025	Christopher Kahn	<p>The statewide scope of practice for paramedics (CCR 100091.02, formerly CCR 100146) includes items that should be considered for adoption here in San Diego County. In particular, adding BiPAP (CCR 100091.02(c)(1)(E)) to local scope would more closely match the standard practice in our local emergency departments while removing this regulatory barrier to implementation should it become more feasible to implement in our system. Magnesium (CCR 100091.02(c)(1)(R)(18)) is a critical drug for treatment of eclamptic seizures and also has a place in the treatment of asthma and polymorphic ventricular tachycardia. This should be added to our local scope; it is already part of the National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines. Finally, oral administration of acetaminophen and ibuprofen is so safe that it's allowed as an over-the-counter option, yet it remains out of our local scope despite IV acetaminophen being available. Adding it to local scope does not require a LOSOP or trial study application, as it is part of the basic scope of practice of an EMT (CCR 100066.02(b)(6)) if approved by the LEMSA medical director and therefore incorporated by reference into the AEMT and Paramedic basic scopes of practice upon that approval. On a related note, while this updated policy appropriately reflects that it is safe to give glucose solutions via the IO route, it is important to update this in all relevant protocols such as S-123 and S-161.</p>
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