



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

S-070 Special Program Authorization		
DATE	NAME	PUBLIC COMMENT
1/31/2025	Christopher Kahn	<p>There is likely to be significant disagreement as to the regulatory reach of this policy, specifically on which projects and which agencies are or are not subject to it. Working with the regional stakeholders to clarify this as much as possible is likely to improve the acceptance and workability of this policy. III (definitions). The definition of special program includes “research project to evaluate for improvements”, but the rest of the policy refers to programs actually being implemented rather than merely studied. Please consider removing or rephrasing this portion of the definition. As stated, a dispatch center would not be allowed to perform quality improvement reviews of their dispatch determinants and associated patient outcomes without specific application to and permission from the LEMSA, which does not seem to be the intent of this policy. IV.B. It is often not feasible to consider, preliminarily define, and propose a special project without the specific endorsement of local government bodies, particularly for agencies that are governmental in nature such as fire departments. While it is of course reasonable to involve the LEMSA early in the process of developing a special program, it would be wasteful of the LEMSA’s time to ask it to consult on a program which has not received any kind of signal (which, of course, could be interpreted as an endorsement) from the relevant local government body/bodies suggesting it would be considered for implementation within that jurisdiction. Please consider removing the second half of that first sentence starting with the comma before the word “prior”.</p>