



# County of Santa Cruz

## HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
SERVICES PROGRAM

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### Emergency Medical Services Program

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**Subject: MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE NURSE (MICN) CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CONTINUING SERVICE REQUIREMENTS**

#### Continuing Education

- A. A MICN shall complete sixteen (16) hours of continuing education every four (4) years in the area of pre-hospital emergency medical care, as follows:
1. Attend sixteen (16) hours of Field Care Audits or equivalent meetings per four-year certification cycle.
  2. The remaining hours may be fulfilled with EMSIA, Hospital Base, ride-along or other EMS related educational activity.
  3. Four (4) hours of education should be fulfilled related to pediatric care.

#### Continuing Service

- A. A MICN shall provide medical control instructions to paramedics in the field via radio or telephone. Performing at a level to the satisfaction of the PLN, as determined by case review, Base Station log, or other means available. This requirement may be fulfilled at any Base Hospital in California, provided records are maintained as described in this policy.

#### Record Keeping

- B. It shall be the responsibility of the individual MICN to maintain records of continuing education.
- C. The PLN shall provide a mechanism for maintaining the records of MICN continuing service requirements (radio/telephone medical direction), and ensure that these requirements are met by MICNs on a bi-annual basis.

### **Continuing Education Approval**

- A. All MICN continuing education shall be reviewed & approved by the Base Station PLN or Base Station Medical Director.
- B. Upon request, the local PLN or Base Station Medical Director shall notify the EMS Agency in writing of continuing education courses sponsored &/or approved by their organization. This notice shall be sent within thirty (30) days of course completion.
- C. All other MICN continuing education shall be approved by the Santa Cruz County EMS Agency, as appropriate