I. Declaration

The Santa Clara County Emergency Medical Services Agency has determined that an unscheduled temporary extension to certain Santa Clara County Prehospital Care Policies is required. Consistent with Santa Clara County Prehospital Care Policy 109: Policy Development and Implementation, the EMS Director, or designee, may issue Administrative Orders when immediate changes are necessary.

II. Statement of Change and Rationale

The following policies will have two versions (depending on inventory) for EMS System Providers to follow until March 1, 2019.

301: Supplemental EMS System Resources
302: Prehospital Care Asset – Minimum Inventory Requirements
700-A07: Cardiac Arrest
700-M01: Airway Management
700-P07: Pediatric Cardiac Arrest
700-X01: Airway Management (CAL Fire Sweetwater)

Multiple medical equipment suppliers have reported a backorder of certain sizes of LMA Supreme. As a result, some providers will not receive their shipments of certain LMA Supreme sizes by February 12, 2019. In order to ensure options for airway management, the EMS Agency is postponing the sunset of the old versions of the above policies. Those versions allow for the use of King Airways. The new versions specify LMA Supreme. The new sunset date for these policies will be March 1, 2019.

III. Execution

Administrative Order # 2019-001 is in effect as of February 12, 2019. This Administrative Order has resulted in a temporary extension to Santa Clara County Prehospital Care Policies through March 1, 2019. Starting March 1, 2019, all providers will be expected to follow the new versions of these policies (February 12, 2019 effective date). Providers that have sufficient supplies of LMA Supremes should start following the new policies starting February 12, 2019.

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