

Emergency Medical Directors' Association of California (EMDAC)

1797.201 issues Workshop
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Our Mission

- ▶ Advisory resource for State EMS Authority Medical Director
- ▶ Scope of Practice subcommittee



Who is EMDAC?

- ▶ A professional organization of EMS Medical Directors in California
- ▶ Membership
 - ▶ 31 local EMS agencies
 - ▶ Private and Public EMS providers



1797.201 - 30 years later What has Changed?



1980

Minimum Wage: \$3.10
BMW: \$12,000



1981



1981



1982



1983

Our Mission

- ▶ To provide and promote a collaborative process by which EMS medical directors can use evidence-based innovative solutions to develop and maintain patient-centric and community-based EMS systems throughout California.



1797.201 - 30 years later What has Changed?

Research



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1797.201 – 30 years later
What has Changed?



Specialty
Centers



1797.201 – 30 years later
What has Changed?



Public
Expectation



1797.201 – 30 years later
What has Changed?



Regionalization

1797.201 & Future of EMS

- ▶ Robust Medical Oversight
 - Broad definition of Medical Oversight
- ▶ Unified and Well Coordinated System
- ▶ Collaborative CQI Process
- ▶ Based on Scientific Evidence
 - Patient-Centric



1797.201 – 30 years later
What has Changed?

Increased Litigation
targeting EMS



CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ Local and regional cooperation/collaboration
 - With or without contracts
- ▶ Avoid further subdivision of EMS components
 - "201" impact on medical oversight
- ▶ Clarify the Role of EMS Medical Director
 - Accountable for medical decisions
 - Include in administrative decisions
 - Broadly defined medical control
- ▶ Leave unresolved legal issues for the Legal experts to resolve

Thank You

