

## Administration of Aspirin (April 2013)

<p><b>Item:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Administration of OTC aspirin</li> </ul>
<p><b>Classification:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Basic Support procedure</li> <li>Specified in existing regulations</li> </ul>
<p><b>Use and Level:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not authorized for EMR or EMT</li> <li>Authorized for EMT as basic scope of practice</li> <li>Authorized for AEMT as basic scope of practice</li> <li>Authorized for Paramedic as basic scope of practice.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Authority:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Section 100063(a)(9)(B) of the EMT Regulations, Chapter 2, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations lists aspirin as an over the counter drug that an EMT may administer when approved by the LEMSA Medical Director.</li> <li>Section 100106(a) of the AEMT Regulations, Chapter 3, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations states that an AEMT may perform any activity identified in the scope of practice for an EMT.</li> <li>Section 100146(a) of the Paramedic Regulations, Chapter 4, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations states that a Paramedic may perform any activity identified in the scope of practice for an EMT.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Training:</b></p> <p>As specified in AEMT and Paramedic regulations for level of provider.</p>
<p><b>Equipment:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unexpired supply of aspirin</li> </ul>
<p><b>Medical Direction:</b></p> <p>Used in accordance with a protocol written and approved by the local EMS agency medical director (HS 1797.220).</p>
<p><b>Considerations and Recommendations:</b></p> <p>Having the patient chew the dose of aspirin may be more effective.</p>