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Appointment to the California Commission on Emergency Medical Services

On February 11, 2019, the Speaker of the Assembly, Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood), appointed Todd Valeri to the Commission on EMS as a representative of the California Ambulance Association.

Mr. Valeri is President and CEO of American Ambulance, headquartered in Fresno, California. He leads a company of more than 700 employees providing paramedic advanced life support services throughout Fresno and Kings Counties, EMS and fire dispatching for 16 agencies, and programs for scheduled medical transport, ground-based critical care transport, and specialty neonatal/pediatric transport.

Mr. Valeri has a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and an MBA from California State University, Fresno. He is a former California state licensed paramedic. Mr. Valeri is a current board member and vice president of the California Ambulance Association, and a founding member and secretary of the 9-1-1 Ambulance Providers Alliance.

The Commission on Emergency Medical Services supports the role of EMS agencies to ensure that patients have adequate access to quality emergency medical services, and to ensure the long-term stability of these services. The Commission meets quarterly at locations throughout the state to provide advice to the director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority and to approve regulations, standards, and guidelines developed by EMSA. For more information about the EMS Commission, please visit <u>https://emsa.ca.gov/ems_commission/</u>. This site will be updated as information becomes available.

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