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September 7, 2023

Andrew Holcomb
EMS Director
City and County of San Francisco EMS Agency
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Re: Community Paramedicine and Alternate Destination Program Plan Submission

Dear Mr. Halcomb,

This correspondence is in response to Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Plan Addendum dated August 1, 2023, and subsequent response Addendum dated September 1, 2023.

After Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) review we find that your submission meets all the requirements required by the Community Paramedicine or Triage to Alternate Destination Act of 2020.

On August 1, 2023, under separate cover, you requested a one-time waiver of the electronic Health Information Exchange (HIE) requirements listed in CCR Title 22, Section 100185. EMSA approves a one-time extension not to exceed 5 years for the HIE component of your CP and TAD program. As part of the required plan to establish HIE during this waiver period, please provide EMSA with quarterly updates on your progress to achieve HIE consistent with the Community Paramedicine Transport to Alternate Destination Regulations.

This approval of the City and County of San Francisco's Community Paramedicine and Triage to Alternate Destination Program shall be for twelve (12) months from the date of this approval. Renewal of the program shall be completed annually through submission of the Community Paramedicine Annex of the EMS plans process found in California Code of Regulations Title 22 Section §100183 and Section §100190.

Should you need further assistance or have any questions please feel free to contact Candace Keefauver, Community Paramedicine and Alternate Destination Program Coordinator at Candace.Keefauver@emsa.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom McGinnis".

Tom McGinnis, MHA, EMT-P
Chief, EMS Systems Division