



Santa Cruz Consolidated Emergency Communications Center



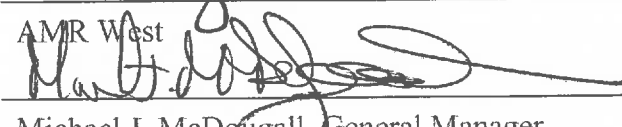
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COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE POLICY

Policy No.	6120	Date Issued:	June 1, 1996
Section:	6100 – CAD Procedures	Date Revised:	May 10, 2004
Accreditation Standards: None			
SUBJECT: COMMON ABBREVIATIONS			
APPROVED:			
	Santa Cruz County EMS		
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AB or ABD	Abdomen	ALL	All County
AED	Automatic External Defibrillator	ALS	Advanced Life Support
ALOC	Altered Level of Consciousness	AMB	Ambulance
BC	Boulder Creek Zone	BP	Blood Pressure
BLS	Basic Life Support	CONV	Convulsions
C/B	Conscious/Breathing	COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disorder
Cap/Soq	Capitola Road/Soquel Ave. stand by location	CP	Chest Pain
CCU	Coronary Care Unit	CPR	Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
CHF	Congestive Heart Failure	CVA	Cerebral Vascular Accident
CODE 99	CPR in progress		
D/A	Direct Admit	DOA	Dead on Arrival

DIAB	Diabetes or Diabetic	DOM	Dominican Hospital
DIAB EM	Diabetic Emergency	DR	Doctor
DNR	Do not Resuscitate		
ED	Emergency Department	EMTD	Emergency Medical Technician - Defibrillator
EMD	Emergency Medical Dispatcher	ER	Emergency Room
EMS	Emergency Medical Service	ETOH	Intoxicated
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician		
F	Female	FX	Fracture
FEL	Felton Zone		
GBW	General Body Weakness	GSW	Gunshot Wound
GI	Gastro Intestinal		
HA	Heart Attack	HOSP	Hospital
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus	HX	History
IC	Incident Commander	IV	Intravenous
ICU	Intensive Care Unit		
LAC	Laceration	LVN	Licensed Vocational Nurse
LOC	Loss of Consciousness	LZ	Landing Zone
M	Male	MEDS	Medications
MAIN	Main Ambulance Zone	MI	Myocardial Infarction
MCIP	Multi-Casualty Incident Plan	MID	Mid County Ambulance Zone
NITRO	Nitroglycerin		
OB	Obstetrics	OD	Overdose
O2	Oxygen		
PA	Physicians Assistant	PEDS	Pediatrics
PAI	Pre-Arrival Instructions	PHN	Public Health Nurse
PED	Pedestrian	PT	Patient
RCU	Restorative Care Unit	RX	Prescription
RN	Registered Nurse		
SH	Sutter Hospital	SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
		SUIATT	Suicide Attempt

SOB	Shortness of Breath	SYN	Syncopal Episode
TCU	Tertiary Care Unit	Tri (1, 2 or 3)	First, Second or Third Trimester
TIA	Trans Ischemic Attack		
V	Victim	VN	Visiting Nurse
VAG	Vaginal		
WAT	Watsonville Zone	WCH	Watsonville Community Hospital
A +/-	Is/Is Not Alert	C +/-	Is/Is Not Conscious
B +/-	Is/Is Not Breathing	Example: 62M A+ B+ C+ = 62 year old male, alert, breathing and conscious.	