PURPOSE
The Out-of-County Certification Acknowledgement extends access to the ePCR platform to those providers who obtained their EMT certification from a California Local Emergency Medical Services Agency (LEMSA) and are employed by Riverside County EMS services. This policy shall:
1. Define who is eligible to apply for the Out-of-County Certification Acknowledgement.
2. Explain the process for application of the Out-of-County Certification Acknowledgement.

AUTHORITY
California Health and Safety Code - Division 2.5: Emergency Medical Services [1797.210.]
California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 2, Sections 100056 – 100064, 100079, & 100083
California Penal Code, Section 11105

Eligibility
To be eligible for the Out-of-County Certification Acknowledgement, applicants must meet the following requirements:
1. Possess current and active EMT certification.
2. EMT certification is issued by a California LEMSA other than Riverside County EMS Agency (REMSA).
3. Applicants must be currently employed by a Riverside County BLS/ALS service provider.

The Application Process
1. All applications will be submitted through REMSA’s online License Management System (LMS).
2. The application can be accessed by going directly to the application portal: https://ca.emsbridge.com/remsa or by accessing it through our website www.rivcoems.org. Once on the website, instructions will guide the applicant through each step. It is not necessary to complete the entire application process at once. The system allows the applicant to save data in progress and to return to complete the application process at another time.
3. There will be no fees assessed or collected for the Out-of-County Certification Acknowledgement.
4. At the conclusion of the application process it will be possible to print an abbreviated version of the completed application should the applicant desire to retain a copy.
5. Only complete applications will be processed. Incomplete applications will remain in the system, and a deficiency notice will be sent to the applicant, explaining the deficiency. Once any deficiencies are corrected, the completed application will be processed by REMSA personnel.
   a. Certification information submitted by applicant will be verified with the State registry to be current and active.
   b. Employment will be verified with the EMS service indicated by applicant.

Effective and Expiration Dates
1. The effective date of Out-of-County Certification Acknowledgement will be the date the application is approved.
2. The expiration date shall match the expiration date of the original out-of-county certification.