

## EMS SYSTEM ADVISORY #2022-10/12

**TO:** Riverside County EMS System

**FROM:** Trevor Douville, EMS Administrator

SUBJECT: Advanced Life Support Skills Competency Verification (ALS SCV) Forms

**DATE:** October 12, 2022

Effective October 1, 2022, the Riverside County EMS Agency (REMSA) permitted two (2) new airway management skills for ALS providers: placement of the i-gel supraglottic airway device (i-gel) as a rescue airway and the placement of an orogastric (OG) tube for passive gastric decompression after successful orotracheal intubation (OTI) or i-gel insertion. As a result of these two skill additions, the ALS SCV form was updated to include them, bringing the total number of skills listed to fifteen (15). The new SCV form has been assigned version number 72922, or "v72922;" the version number can be found on the bottom of page 2.

The single document can be downloaded here: <a href="http://remsa.us/documents/forms/ALSSCVForm2022V72922.pdf">http://remsa.us/documents/forms/ALSSCVForm2022V72922.pdf</a>.

The entire ALS SCV packet, including all associated skill verification forms (SVFs), can be downloaded here: http://remsa.us/documents/forms/ALSSCV2022CompletePacketV92722.pdf.

## **Qualified SCV Agencies and Training Programs:**

REMSA Policy #1402 (Skills Competency Verification) states, "Designated skills competency verifiers will... Use only approved SCV forms." With that, effective today (October 12, 2022), ALS SCV form v72922 will be the only REMSA-approved form for use when evaluating demonstrations of ALS skill competency. SCV courses held after today will require the use of form v72922; any SCV forms submitted by providers that are dated after October 12, 2022, that are not v72922 will be rejected. All previous versions saved digitally as a PDF should be deleted and all pre-printed copies should be discarded.

## MICNs and paramedics:

- If your authorization / accreditation expires between today and June 30, 2023: REMSA will accept ALS SCV forms that do not contain skill sign-off sections for the i-gel and OG on the condition that the i-gel and OG SVFs are included in your authorization / accreditation application packet. Additionally, completed SVFs must clearly show the names and certification numbers of the provider and skills verifier as well as the date the skill verification occurred. To expedite processing, REMSA requests that the SVFs are added to your ALS SCV PDF document as pages 3 9. Application packets that are submitted without the SVFs will be considered deficient and will not be processed until the deficiency is resolved.
  - If you submit an application packet <u>with</u> ALS SCV v72922, you do not need to include copies of your i-gel and OG SVFs.
- If your authorization / accreditation expires after June 30, 2023: REMSA will only accept ALS SCV v72922. All other ALS SCV forms will be rejected, and you will be directed to contact the EMS Coordinator (or equivalent) for your agency / organization so that they can complete a new one for you.