On-Scene Physician Wishing to Assume Responsibility

When an on-scene physician wishes to assume responsibility for prehospital emergency care, they must do the following:

1. State that they are a physician and that they wish to assume responsibility for prehospital emergency patient care
2. Present a valid photo ID and California medical license

When an on-scene physician wishes to assume responsibility for prehospital emergency care, the prehospital provider must do the following:

1. Inform the on-scene physician that:
   a. She / he must directly request that the base hospital physician (BHP) relinquish the responsibility to give medical direction
   b. If the base hospital physician (BHP) agrees, the on-scene physician may direct medical care
   c. The on-scene physician must accompany the patient during ambulance transport

2. Contact a single REMSA authorized base hospital (BH):
   a. Provide the on-scene physician’s name and license number
   b. The on-scene physician must request directly, on a recorded line, that the base hospital physician (BHP) relinquish the responsibility to give medical direction
   c. Confirm with the base hospital physician (BHP) that they have relinquished the responsibility to give medical direction

3. If the base hospital physician (BHP) has relinquished the responsibility to give medical direction:
   a. Assist the on-scene physician as directed, within REMSA authorized scope of practice
   b. Maintain base hospital (BH) contact and transport to an appropriate receiving facility
   c. The on-scene physician must sign the completed ePCR