

**DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH
EMERGENCY MEDICAL**

To: Marin County EMS Constituents

From: Bill Teufel, MD; Medical Director, Marin County EMS Agency

Re.: **Interim Policy Memo, Fire line Medical Care**

Date: July 29, 2008

In order to clarify existing policy regarding the use of paramedics in the non-traditional environment of fire line medical care the Marin EMS Program is issuing the following Memorandum.

Existing policies 5200 and 5201 authorize paramedics to use Marin County ALS policies and procedures when assigned to medical or non-medical mutual aid out of County; any Marin accredited paramedic assigned to fire line duties is authorized to follow Marin ALS policy and procedures when assigned to these duties.

If online medical control cannot be established, the paramedic shall limit their skills to those that do not require a physician consultation.

All equipment carried by the paramedic shall be mission oriented and the ALS supply compliment should be as robust as can be carried into an austere environment.