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**TO:** Commission on EMS

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**SUBJECT:** Data Program and California Emergency Medical Services Information System (CEMSIS) Update

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive information on CEMSIS.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Changes to adoption of the NEMSIS Version 3 data set will have cost to the EMS Authority, local EMS agencies and providers in amounts that are not yet fully determined.

**DISCUSSION:**

The transformation from our old system to the system continues to progress well. We now have 15 local EMS agencies submitting data in some capacity. There are approximately 1.5 million records in the system and we continue to submit data to the University of Utah in the NEMSIS Version 2 format.

The EMS Authority is performing some validation reviews to look at the data being input to CEMSIS. While data is absolutely flowing into the system, we want to continue to look at various aspects of the data to make sure it is populating the fields logically and correctly.

We are continuing our preparations to adopt NEMSIS Version 3. The scope of practice portions of NEMSIS Version 3, to include medications, procedures and such, are under review to make sure it factors everything we have in basic and optional scope in California.

The EMS Authority has partnered with California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to share a half-time epidemiologist to help us review and analyze our data system, specifically focused on traffic related incidents. This partnership is a result of grant funding from the Office of Traffic Safety. While this new epidemiologist is still relatively new to us, we are looking forward to working with her for some detailed analysis of our data.

The Commission will be kept informed on our progress with the statewide data program.