# Administration of Oral Glucose (April 2013)

**Item:**
Dextrorose and water oral gel used to rapidly raise blood glucose levels of a hypoglycemic patient.

**Classification:**
- Basic Life Support procedure
- Specified in existing regulations.

**Use and Level:**
- Not authorized for First Aid or EMR
- Authorized for all levels of EMT as basic scope of practice.

**Authority:**
- Section 100063(a)(9)(A) of the EMT Regulations, Chapter 2, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations allows an EMT to administer oral glucose.
- Section 100106(a) of the AEMT Regulations, Chapter 3, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations allows an AEMT to perform any activity identified in the EMT scope of practice.
- Section 100146(a) of the Paramedic Regulations, Chapter 4, Division 9, Title 22, California Code of Regulations states that a Paramedic may perform any activity identified in the scope of practice for an EMT.

**Training:**
As specified in EMT and Paramedic regulations for level of provider.

**Equipment:**
- 3 tubes/servings of 15 grams of glucose each

**Medical Direction:**
Used in accordance with a protocol written and approved by the local EMS agency medical director (HS 1797.220).

**Considerations and Recommendations:**
Oral use contraindicated in altered levels of consciousness or unprotected airway.