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### MICU Program Policy

This Paramedic MICU program policy is designed to provide a higher level of care for interfacility patient transports than possible under the Interhospital Patient Transfers Protocol. It applies to ground interfacility transports that originate at or end in the Jackson Medical Control Authority.

#### I Program Policy

- A. MICU medical director is appointed by the EMS Medical Director (see MICU Medical Director Roles/Responsibilities Protocol).
- B. MICU Supervisor
  - 1. Each participating service will have a designated MICU Supervisor.
  - 2. MICU trained EMT-P with two years full time MICU experience
  - 3. Approval of MICU Medical Director
- C. MICU Course Instructor or approved MICU Program
  - 1. Provides initial training
  - 2. Licensed paramedic instructor-coordinator
  - 3. Approved by the MICU Medical Director and MICU Supervisor
- D. MICU Paramedic
  - 1. Paramedic currently licensed by the MDHHS
  - 2. Employed by an approved ALS provider
  - 3. Successfully completed an approved MICU training program
  - 4. Participated in MICU continuing education and recertification as required by the MICU Medical Director.
  - 5. Cleared MICU Paramedic is known as Senior MICU Paramedic.

#### II Agency Requirements

- A. MICU Supervisor, Medical Director, MICU Training, MICU equipment and personnel are to be provided for and maintained by the agency.
- B. Provide staffing as follows:
  - MICU staffed with one Senior MICU and one paramedic no longer in provisional status.
- C. Maintain accurate records of personnel licensure, MICU training and clearance status including completion of an MCA approved clinical orientation.
- D. Records must be available to the MCB, MDHHS or other appropriate regulatory agencies upon request.
- E. Provide reports as deemed necessary by MCB and/or the Medical Director, provide EPCR access to the Medical Director for all reports.
- F. All MICU personnel are expected to follow the procedures and protocols as stated in the policy. If the MICU Medical Director, EMS Medical Director or MCB determines that the provider is in violation of the policy, the provider's or agency's MICU program approval may be suspended or revoked.

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#### III Equipment

- A. See MICU Required Equipment List
- B. MICU Narcotic Medication Box will be exchanged per MICU Narcotic Medication Box Exchange Procedure.

### IV MICU Training Requirement

- A. Program Faculty
  - 1. MICU Supervisor
    - a. Responsible for supervision of all aspects of the MICU program.
    - b. Participates in selection, training and certification process for MICU paramedics.
    - Supervises and assures that education and proficiency requirements are met.
    - In conjunction with the MICU provider agency, provides data to MICU medical director and MCB as required.
  - MICU Course Instructor responsible for coordination and instruction of the MICU training program.
- B. Student Qualifications
  - 1. Fully licensed paramedic by MDHHS EMS Division and employed by an approved ALS provider.
  - 2. Two years of experience as a paramedic and approval of the sponsoring agency.
- C. MICU Initial Training Course or approved course.
  - 1. Approved by MICU Medical Director
  - 2. See MICU Curriculum
- D. MICU Paramedic Approval
  - 1. Successful completion of MICU initial training course
  - 2. Successful completion of MICU paramedic test
- E. Senior MICU Paramedic Approval
  - Complete MICU Orientation Checklist and MICU Critical Behaviors Checklist.
  - 2. Complete MICU clinical experience
  - 3. Approval of the MICU Medical Director and MICU Supervisor
  - 4. Completion of a MCA approved PALS course or equivalent.
- F. Recertification
  - In order to maintain clearance as a Senior MICU Paramedic, personnel must staff the MICU on a regular basis. If there has been a significant lapse in an individual's MICU experience they may be reclassified as a MICU Paramedic until approved for Senior MICU status by the MICU Supervisor and MICU Medical Director. Maintain MCA-required training competencies.

#### V MICU Reporting

A. Each MICU transport will be clearly documented on the MICU EPCR.

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B. EPCR access will be provided for the MICU Supervisor and MICU Medical Director for review as requested.

### VI MICU Procedures

- A. See MICU Transport Capabilities for patients appropriate for MICU. Patients not meeting these capabilities should be transported with additional staff or by alternative transport mechanisms (air medical). Exceptions may be made by agreement between the MICU Paramedic and the MICU Medical Director or designee.
- B. Patient Treatment
  - Transport treatment orders will be determined by the sending physician consistent with MICU transport capabilities.
  - 2. MICU personnel will use MICU treatment protocols for the standard treatment of MICU patients. Contact the MICU Medical Director, the sending or receiving physician or on-line medical direction for any problems.