PURPOSE: To assist the EMS Agency, the STEMI Receiving Center Advisory – Quality Improvement Committee (SRCA–QIC) through a regional approach and peer review, will monitor, evaluate, and facilitate the quality improvement process for the STEMI Receiving Center program.

AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code Division 2.5  
California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Chapter 12  
California Evidence Code, Section 1157.7  
California Civil Code, Part 2.6, Section 56.

PRINCIPLE: 1. The proceedings of the SRCA-QIC shall be free from disclosure and discovery (Section 1157.7, California Evidence Code) and held as a confidential peer review meeting with all communications deemed part of the peer review process.

2. Care of the patient with a ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) requires a system-wide approach to ensure delivery of the highest standard of care.

POLICY:

I. The SRCA-QIC shall:
   A. Review the SRC Quality Improvement Program from a system perspective.
   B. Develop current system-wide standards.
   C. Identify system issues, developing a plan for improvement, and monitoring results of the regional SRC system-wide quality improvement program.

II. The SRCA-QI membership shall represent each of the four geographical regions within Los Angeles County’s SRC program and consist of the following minimums:
   A. Two SRC Medical Program Directors from two separate SRC facilities within each SRC region.
   B. Two SRC Clinical Program Directors from two separate SRC facilities within each SRC region.
   C. EMS Agency Medical Director and designated staff.
D. Other individuals, invited as Ad Hoc members, whose presence is germane to the quality assurance/improvement process.

III. SRC Regional Quality Improvement Divisions:

A. **EAST VALLEY QI REGION (9):**
   - Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center
   - Methodist Hospital of Southern California
   - Citrus Valley Medical Center – Intercommunity Campus
   - Beverly Hospital
   - Huntington Memorial Hospital
   - Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital
   - Garfield Medical Center
   - LAC + USC Medical Center
   - St. Jude Medical Center

B. **METRO QI REGION (10):**
   - White Memorial Medical Center
   - Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
   - Glendale Adventist Medical Center
   - Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center
   - Good Samaritan Hospital
   - Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center
   - Providence St. Joseph Medical Center
   - Santa Monica–UCLA Medical Center
   - Ronald Reagan-UCLA Medical Center
   - St. John’s Health Center

C. **SOUTH BAY QI REGION (7):**
   - Torrance Memorial Medical Center
   - Long Beach Memorial Medical Center
   - Providence Little Company of Mary Hospital
   - St. Francis Medical Center
   - St. Mary Medical Center
   - Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
   - Lakewood Regional Medical Center

D. **NORTHERN QI REGION (9):**
   - Antelope Valley Medical Center
   - Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital
   - Palmdale Regional Medical Center (Lancaster Community Hospital)
   - Providence Holy Cross Medical Center
   - Providence Tarzana Medical Center
   - Northridge Hospital Medical Center
   - Valley Presbyterian Hospital
   - West Hills Medical Center
   - Los Robles Hospital and Medical Center
IV. The EMS Agency shall:

A. Perform periodic evaluation of the SRC program, including hospital-specific programs.

B. Provide system-wide reports and analysis of SRC program data to committees.

C. Provide meeting notifications, attendance rosters, agendas, and minutes.

E. Maintain all records in a confidential manner.

V. SRCA-QIC Responsibilities:

A. Meet biannually, at minimum.

B. Determine the meeting location.

CROSS REFERENCE:

Prehospital Care Manual:
Ref. No. 513, ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction Patient Destination
Ref. No. 618, EMS Quality Improvement Program Committees
Ref. No. 620, EMS Quality Improvement Program
Ref. No. 625, STEMI Receiving Center Quality Improvement Subcommittee - (Ad Hoc)