

SUBJECT: **INNOVATION, TECHNOLOGY AND ADVANCEMENT
COMMITTEE (ITAC)**

REFERENCE NO. 205

PURPOSE: To describe the composition and function of an Innovation, Technology and Advancement Committee (ITAC) that will advise the Emergency Medical Services Agency (EMS) Director and Medical Director on instituting new products, introducing innovative technologies, implementing new evidence for procedures or protocols, and providing oversight for the implementation of novel equipment.

POLICY:

I. Committee Activities

Functions of the ITAC shall include, but not limited to, the following:

- A. Provide operational insights for the use of new products.
- B. Perform evidence based literature review regarding technologies for which the Los Angeles County EMS Agency is considering for possible implementation.
- C. Develop standardized policy and recommendations for the implementation of new innovations, technologies and products used in Los Angeles County.
- D. Provide recommendations to the EMS Agency Director and Medical Director regarding new technologies.

II. Meeting Frequency

The Committee will meet quarterly on "as needed" basis (additional meetings may be held as determined by the chair).

III. Committee Membership Structure

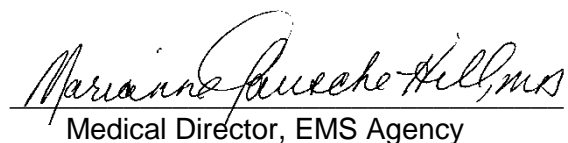
- A. Membership is aimed to provide broad areas of expertise to address operational functionality, appropriate scientific review, and practical policy development for the use of new technologies
 - 1. Chaired by the EMS Agency
 - 2. Three physician representatives from the Medical Council (Ref. No. 204)
 - 3. Representative from Provider Agency Advisory Committee (Ref. No. 207)

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Director, EMS Agency


Medical Director, EMS Agency

4. Representative from Base Hospital Advisory Committee (Ref. No. 207)
 5. Representative from Pediatric Advisory Committee (Ref. No. 216)
 6. Representative from a Primary EMT Training Program
 7. Representative from a Primary Paramedic Training Program
- B. The Committee may elect to invite Subject Matter Experts to provide operational, technical and financial information on an “as needed” basis.

CROSS REFERENCES

Prehospital Care Manual:

Ref. No. 204, **Medical Council**

Ref. No. 207, **EMS Commission Advisory Committees**

Ref. No. 216, **Pediatric Advisory Committee**