

# MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** ALS and BLS EMS Provider Agencies  
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**SUBJECT:** GUM ELASTIC INTUBATION STYLET

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During the last revision of the Standard Drug and Equipment list, in August of 2008, Gum Elastic Intubation stylet, also known as the Bougie introducer, was added to the optional non-exchange equipment list. This stylet is an excellent tool for difficulty airway intubations and should be considered by all ALS providers.

This memorandum is a reminder to providers wishing to utilize this new device must send a letter of intent to ICEMA. The letter must include the details of the training program as well as the plan to monitor the procedure for continuous quality improvement.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sherri Shimshy at (909) 388-5816, [SShimshy@cao.sbcounty.gov](mailto:SShimshy@cao.sbcounty.gov) or Iris Pena at (909) 388-5813, [IPena@cao.sbcounty.gov](mailto:IPena@cao.sbcounty.gov).

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