



Inland Counties Emergency Medical Agency

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TO: EMS Providers - ALS, BLS, EMS Aircraft
Hospital CEOs, ED Directors, Nurse Managers and PLNs
EMS Training Institutions and Continuing Education Providers
Inyo, Mono and San Bernardino County EMCC Members
Other Interested Parties

FROM: Virginia Hastings, Executive Director
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SUBJECT: **STROKE SYSTEM LAUNCH EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 15, 2011**

ICEMA is pleased to announce that the Stroke System will launch effective December 15, 2011. On December 15, 2011, at 8:00 am, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center (ARMC) and Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center (PVHMC) will be activated as Neurovascular Stroke Receiving Centers (NSRC).

- ARMC: NSRC-I is located on 400 North Pepper Avenue, Colton, CA 92324
- PVHMC: NSRC-II is located on 1798 North Garey Avenue, Pomona, CA 91767

Per Reference #6100 - Stroke "NSRC" Receiving Centers:

- e. NSRC Base Station contact is **mandatory** for all patients identified as a possible stroke patient.
- f. The NSRC base station is the only authority that can direct a patient to a NSRC. The destination may be changed at NSRC base station discretion.

EMS providers with extended transport times to NSRC must make early contact with NSRC base station for destination decision. NSRC base stations will be responsible for contacting paramedic receiving hospitals if the patient is not transported to a NSRC.

Due to contractual delays, ICEMA anticipates Loma Linda University (LLUMC) will be prepared to activate in a few more weeks. We will notify all system participants as soon as LLUMC is designated as a NSRC.

If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Yoshida-McMath, RN, at (909) 388- 5823 or via e-mail at c.yoshida-mcmath@cao.sbcounty.gov.

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