



# NEWCASTLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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John Poland  
Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS  
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Rocklin CA 95677

October 11, 2017

Re: S-SV-EMS BLS Grant

Dear Mr. Poland:

I am writing you this letter in hopes that you can approve the addition of these optional BLS skills for Newcastle Fire Protection District. We are currently working towards the EMS grant for funding for all of the equipment and supplies that we would need. We are seeking the approval for the use of Narcan, Epi Pens, King Tubes, and Blood Glucose Testing for the EMT's at Newcastle Fire. We will abide by all S-SV EMS policies, procedures, and requirements.

A little bit about our District. We operate a type 1 and type 3 engine that is cross staffed with two personnel. We have a total of eight employees with six being full time personnel. Out of the six personnel, we have one paramedic and five EMT's. Our District is over 37 square miles with some very rural areas and a population of approximately 6,000 residents. We have areas in our district that are extended on our response and even more extended with AMR or South Placers response for an ambulance. We also provide mutual aid with Cal Fire in the Ophir area which can also be quite a distance from the station.

As a BLS fire agency we feel the need for these optional skills because of our remote, rural response area and the extended times that we may experience awaiting ALS intervention from the surrounding ambulances. We feel that we can make a difference in patient care if we have these optional skills added to our scope of practice.

The principal instructor for Newcastle Fire will be Captain/Paramedic Kyle Potter. I am an S-SV accredited paramedic working for Foresthill Fire and Placer Hills Fire as a paramedic. Newcastle Fire currently uses Image Trend for PCR's. A PCR is written for all calls where we provide patient care first before a responding engine or ambulance. With the new skills a PCR will be written anytime a skill is used and any PCR written for an optional skill will have a QI review done. I oversee the EMS program for Newcastle including doing the QI reviews. The QI review is done on 100% of the calls at this point with our agency getting Image Trend in July.

We feel that Newcastle Fire can greatly benefit from having these additional skills to help protect and treat the members of the community. We look forward to hearing back from you. If you have any further questions feel free to contact me at the station or email below.

Thank you,

Kyle Potter, A Shift Captain  
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cc: Kirk Kushen, Fire Chief

Narcan 8 Boxes-	\$1,000.00
Epi Pens:2 adult, 2 pedi, 1 trainer -	\$2,003.50
King Tube-3 sizes, 4 each Plus one each for training-	\$780.00
Intubation Mannequin -	\$2,215.00
Mannequin Spray -	\$29.90
Blood Glucose all supplies -	\$149.50
Sharps container x 4 -	\$11.80
AED with case -	\$1,706.00
Smart pads for AED x 2 -	\$112.00
Infant child key for AED -	\$105.00
O2 D Size x 2 -	<u>\$145.90</u>
Total Cost of supplies -	<b>\$8,258.60</b>
24 hours of OT -	<u>\$584.88</u>
Total Cost -	<b>\$8,843.48</b>