

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Community Health Agency, Department of Public Health

SUBMITTAL DATE:

February 22, 2010

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing Riverside County Emergency Medical Services Agency to access state and federal criminal history information of persons applying for initial prehospital emergency medical services certification or licensure

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board of Supervisors adopt Resolution No. 2010-086

BACKGROUND: In December 2002, the Board adopted Resolution 2002-374 authorizing the Riverside County Emergency Medical Services Agency (REMSA) to obtain criminal background information from the California Department of Justice (CA DOJ). At that time, federal background information was not required nor permitted to be received by county-level Emergency Medical Services (EMS) agencies. AB 2917 (amending Health & Safety Code Sections 1797.117 and 1797.118) now mandates that Emergency Medical Technician-I (EMT-I) certifying agencies conduct state and federal level criminal background checks by July 1, 2010. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) requires a resolution from REMSA's governing body to accompany the application needed for the approval to process criminal background checks. REMSA is the local emergency medical services agency tasked with ensuring the safety and efficiency of the EMS system. REMSA performs various activities in order to meet this requirement. These activities include but are not limited to the credentialing of EMS personnel in order to make certain that quality patient care is provided to the citizens and visitors of Riverside County.
(continued)

Sarah Mack

Sarah Mack, Deputy Director
for Susan Harrington, Director

FINANCIAL DATA

Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	N/A
Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	N/A
Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	09/10

SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A

Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30 ☐

Requires 4/5 Vote ☐

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

Debra Courmoyer
Debra Courmoyer

County Executive Office Signature

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Stone and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley
Nays: None
Absent: Buster
Date: March 2, 2010
xc: CHA-Public Health

Kecia Harper-Ihem
Clerk of the Board

By: *[Signature]*
Deputy

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Prev. Agn. Ref.: 3.12 12/10/2002

District: All

Agenda Number:

ATTACHMENTS FILED

WORKING DRAFT - RIVERSIDE COUNTY COUNCIL
BY: NEAL R. KIPNIS
DATE: 2/22/10
Departmental Concurrence

Dep't Recomm.: ☐ Policy ☒ Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: ☐ Consent ☒ Consent

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing Riverside County Emergency Medical Services Agency to access state and federal criminal history information of persons applying for initial prehospital emergency medical services certification or licensure

BACKGROUND: (Continued) The adoption of this resolution authorizes access to state criminal background information and adds federal criminal information permitting REMSA to be in compliance with AB 2917 and continue to meet the obligations to ensure the safe delivery of prehospital care in Riverside County.

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2010-086

2 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
3 THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
4 AUTHORIZING ACCESS TO STATE AND FEDERAL CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION
5 OF PERSONS APPLYING FOR INITIAL PREHOSPITAL EMERGENCY
6 MEDICAL SERVICES CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE

7 WHEREAS, California Penal Code sections 11105(b)(11) and 13300(b)(11) authorize cities,
8 counties and districts to access state and local summary criminal history information for employment,
9 licensing or certification purposes upon specific authorization by the governing body of these local
10 entities; and

11 WHEREAS, California Penal Code section 11105(b)(11) further authorizes cities, counties and
12 districts to access federal level criminal history information by transmitting fingerprint images and related
13 information to the Department of Justice (DOJ) to be transmitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation
14 (FBI); and

15 WHEREAS, California Penal Code sections 11105(b)(11) and 13300(b)(11) require the city
16 council, board of supervisors, or governing body of a city, county, or district to specifically authorize
17 access to summary criminal history information for employment, licensing, or certification purposes; and

18 WHEREAS, California Penal Code sections 11105(b)(11) and 13300(b)(11) require that there be a
19 requirement or exclusion from employment, licensing or certification based on specific criminal conduct
20 on the part of the subject of the record; and

21 WHEREAS, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code section 1798.200, Riverside County's
22 Emergency Medical Services Agency may deny certification or licensure to any person convicted of a
23 felony or misdemeanor involving acts substantively related to the qualifications, functions or duties of
24 prehospital Emergency Medical Services personnel; now, therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside,
26 State of California, in regular session assembled on March 2, 2010, that Riverside
27 County's Emergency Medical Services Agency is hereby authorized to access summary criminal history
28 information from the California Department of Justice (CA DOJ) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI) on all prehospital personnel requesting licensing, certification, or authorization from this County.

FORWARDED TO RIVERSIDE COUNTY COUNSELLOR
BY: NEAL R. KIPNIS DATE: 3/2/10

2 RESOLUTION NO. 2010 – 086

3 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE,
4 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING ACCESS TO STATE AND FEDERAL
5 CRIMINAL HISTORY INFORMATION OF PERSONS APPLYING FOR INITIAL
6 PREHOSPITAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CERTIFICATION OR LICENSURE

7 ADOPTED by Riverside County Board of Supervisors on March 2, 2010.

8 ROLL CALL:

9 Ayes: Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit, and Ashley

10 Nays: None

11 Absent: Buster

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13 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of
14 Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

15 KECIA HARPER-IHEM, Clerk of said Board

16 By: _____
17 Deputy