



## INTRODUCTION

<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of this Plan is to update and standardize multi-jurisdictional MCI procedures through the use of consistent terminology, response organization responsibilities, job titles, communications protocols and review mechanisms.
<b>Intent</b>	The intent of the Plan is to enhance and improve multi-casualty medical emergency response within Coastal Valleys EMS Region.
<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Establish a common organizational management structure for the coordination of emergency response to a MCI.</li> <li>▪ Establish a dynamic emergency medical response capability.</li> <li>▪ Establish triage, care and transportation methods that will ensure the survivability of the greatest number of casualties.</li> </ul>
<b>Plan Provisions</b>	
<b>Agency Use</b>	This plan is intended for use by all agencies that respond to any incident that requires resources above & beyond those normally available
<b>ICS/SEMS</b>	Incorporates the Incident Command System and the Standardized Emergency Management System
<b>ICS-MC-420-1</b>	Contains position titles, procedures, checklists, forms and triage tags that have been adapted from the Multi-Casualty System Module (ICS -MC-120-1) which was developed by the State FIRESCOPE Medical Task Force.
<b>ICS-HM-420-1</b>	Contains Hazardous Materials Operational System Description
<b>START</b>	Incorporates the triage system known as "Simple Triage and Rapid Treatment", (START)
<b>Notification</b>	Establishes the automatic notification of first responders, hospitals, ambulance services, helicopters and other appropriate agencies by one or more designated dispatch centers
<b>Hospital Resource Guide</b>	Provides a mechanism by which the jurisdictional Coordinating Base Hospital verifies available hospital resources and facilitates casualty distribution.
<b>Ambulance Coverage</b>	Ensures adequate county ambulance zone coverage and a method for obtaining mutual aid ambulances
<b>CISM</b>	Includes a critical incident stress management (CISM) team component
<b>Law Annex</b>	Includes annex for Law Enforcement operations
<b>Rescue Annex</b>	Includes annex for Fire/Rescue operations

**Applicable for:**

- Napa County
- Sonoma County
- Mendocino County



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### Plan Definitions

For purposes of this plan, a **Level 1** multi-casualty incident (MCI) is defined as any incident in which the number of injured persons fully engages the medical capabilities of the jurisdictional resources for a time period of less than one (1) hour.

A **Level 2** MCI is defined as an incident in which the number of injured persons fully engages and/or overwhelms the medical capabilities of the jurisdictional resources to the exclusion of any other event for an extended time period (generally one hour or more).

- The exact number of casualties required for plan activation will vary from community to community.
- The primary difference between MCI and day-to-day EMS operations will be the rescuer to victim ratio. The day-to-day ratio is usually several rescuers to one victim, whereas the MCI ratio may be one rescuer to several victims.

### Plan Assumptions

This plan assumes that:

- The incident is limited in scope of area, number of casualties and time required for control.
- EMS resources have not been decommissioned by the incident.
- Direction, control and coordination are maintained at the scene of the incident and at affected hospitals.
- No declaration of a local state of emergency is made at the time of the incident and the County EOC is not activated.
- If the County EOC is activated, this plan will not be superceded by the Medical & Health annexes of the County Emergency Operations Plan.