



EMS Special Memorandum - #07-003

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To: Mendocino/Napa/Sonoma County EMS Providers
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Re: Use of Automatic Ventilators on ALS/BLS Ambulances Transports

This EMS Special Memorandum clarifies the use of automatic ventilators (AutoVent 2000, AutoVent 3000, Surevent, Uni-vent & etc.) on ALS/BLS transports.

In the Coastal Valleys EMS region, automatic ventilators providing control of both tidal volume and breaths per minute are not currently approved on any ambulance providing ALS or BLS care. These devices are to be used only in a CCT transport situation with the appropriately licensed and trained personnel (CCT-P, RT, RN, MD).

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