

Arrival of EMS (Citizen AED in Place)

If the analyze function has started, the AED will remain activated until completion of the analyze function, and shock (if indicated).

Upon arrival, remove citizen AED, and apply the unit's AED and proceed according to protocol.

Additional Equipment Use Recommendation

Any intubated patient that has a pulse (i.e. not in cardiac arrest) should have tube position verified by use of an end tidal CO₂ detector. This should not supplant standard methods of verifying correct tube placement. EMS personnel must be familiar with the use and limitations of this device.

Required Training

Current ACLS is mandatory for all ALS (Paramedics) practicing in the HEMS MCA by the end of the 2005, EMS agency relicensure period (June 30, 2005). EMS Agencies will be required to submit documentation of current ACLS for personnel practicing in the HEMS MCA with their agency license renewal application and CQI report completion. New employees must have current ACLS before they are allowed to practice in the MCA.

Recommended Training

It is recommend that all EMS personnel practicing in the HEMS MCA complete training in nationally recognized Pediatric ACLS, and Adult and Pediatric Trauma programs (NOT MANDATED).