

	COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY	Document #	4201.15
	<u>PROGRAM DOCUMENT:</u> Mobile Intensive Care Nurse (MICN): Recertification	Draft Date:	06/01/92
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 EMS Medical Director

 EMS Administrator

Purpose:

- A. To establish the requirements for an individual to be recertified as a MICN in Sacramento County.

Authority:

- A. California Health and Safety Code, Division 2.5
- B. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 9
- C. Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, Resolution #2013-0478

Protocol:

- A. Only candidates who are currently certified in Sacramento County are eligible for recertification.
- B. Candidates and/or their relatives are not permitted to sign any documentation of proof attesting to the skills, training or education for that candidate. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure impartiality and avoid potential conflicts of interest in any documentation. **Any falsification of documentation is grounds for losing certification.**
- C. All recertification candidates will meet the following requirements and provide documentation to Sacramento County Emergency Medical Services Agency (SCEMSA):
 1. Apply online at <https://actonline.saccounty.net> Applications are due no less than 30 days prior to certification expiration date or will be assessed a late charge
 2. Provide a copy of a valid and current Sacramento County MICN Certification Card
 3. Provide a copy of a valid and current licensure as a Registered Nurse in California
 4. Provide a copy of a valid and current Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) card, and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) card according to the standards of the American Heart Association.
 5. Provide proof of having obtained twelve (12) hours of continuing education approved by the local EMS Agency as follows:
 - a. Obtain a minimum of four (4) hours credit of prehospital focused education. Prehospital focused education may be fulfilled by the following means:
 - 1) Run reviews or prehospital focused education courses
 - 2) SCEMSA Policy, Protocol and Procedure Update Classes
 - b. Provide proof of completion of an Advanced Life Support (ALS) emergency response vehicle observation experience consisting of direct observation of at least ~~four (4)~~ **eight (8)** hours, which must include at least two (2) patient contacts in which the patient is assessed. If two (2) patient contacts are not completed, two (2) ALS scenarios will be conducted by the Paramedic. The ALS emergency response vehicle observation experience shall be completed with a

ground-based SCEMSA designated ALS provider operating within the 911 response system.

6. Provide proof of current employment at a Sacramento County base hospital Emergency Department, and a letter of verification from a manager or pre-hospital care coordinator
 7. Provide proof of completing an additional ~~0.5~~ 1.0 continuing education hours for each month in lapsed status rounded up to the nearest month
 8. Provide a government issued Photo ID for identification purposes
 9. Upload a passport size (2x2) photo of yourself for the SCEMSA Accreditation card
 10. Pay all applicable fees as established by SCEMSA
 11. Upon fulfillment of 1-10 above, the LEMSA shall recertify the candidate as an MICN for a period of two (2) years from the expiration date on the candidate's current certification card
 12. Certification applications that are not completed after one (1) year shall be considered abandoned and shall be discarded
 13. Applications received less than 30 days prior to certification expiration shall be assessed a late fee.
- D. For a lapse of MICN certification from six (6) to (12) months, provide proof of completion of the of the following:
- a. Provide a copy of a valid and current licensure as a Registered Nurse in California
 - b. Provide a copy of a valid and current Advanced Cardiac Life Support card, and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) card according to the standards of the American Heart Association
 - c. Provide evidence of current employment within emergency services at a designated base hospital. Proof of employment letters shall be dated within thirty (30) days of the completed MICN application
 - d. Provide proof of successful completion of a Sacramento County orientation class **within the last sixty (60) days**. ~~In order to attend an orientation class, you must have a letter of endorsement from an employer at a Sacramento County base hospital Emergency Department.~~
 - e. Provide proof of having obtained twelve (12) hours of continuing education approved by the local EMS Agency as follows:
 - a. Obtain a minimum of four (4) hours credit of prehospital focused education. Prehospital focused education may be fulfilled by the following means:
 - 1) Run reviews or prehospital focused education courses
 - 2) SCEMSA Policy, Protocol and Procedure Update Classes
 - b. **Provide proof of completion of an Advanced Life Support (ALS) emergency response vehicle observation experience consisting of direct observation of at least ~~four (4) hours~~ twelve (12) hours (may be divided), which must include at least ~~two (2) four (4) patient contacts~~ in which the patient is assessed, two (2) of which can be ALS scenarios. ~~If two (2) four (4) patient contacts are not completed, two (2) ALS scenarios will be conducted by the Paramedic.~~ The ALS emergency response vehicle observation experience shall be completed with a ground-based SCEMSA designated ALS provider operating within the 911 response system.**
 - f. Provide proof of completing an additional ~~0.5~~ 1.0 continuing education hours for each month in lapsed status rounded up to the nearest month.
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 - i. Upload a passport size (2x2) photo of yourself for the SCEMSA Accreditation card.
 - j. Pay all applicable fees established by SCEMSA
 - k. Upon fulfillment of 1-14 above, the LEMSA shall recertify the candidate as an MICN for a period of two (2) years from the expiration date on the candidate's current certification card.
- E. Allowance for Active Duty Personnel:
- 1. Members of the reserves deployed for active duty during the time when their MICN certification expires may be given an extension of the expiration date for up to six (6) months from the date of their deactivation or release from active duty
 - 2. Documentation shall be provided to verify the individuals date of activation and deactivation or release from active duty
 - 3. CE activities shall be taken no earlier than thirty (30) days prior to the effective dates of the MICN certification and no later than six (6) months after the date of deactivation or release from active duty.

Recommended exceptions from the Base Hospital Coordinators to be discussed at MOC/OOC:

- 1. Military Deployment
- 2. Hospital approved medial leave
- 3. Hospital approved family medical leave
- 4. Once a MICN returns to full duty, they shall have ninety (90) days to complete the recertification requirements.