
2.0 Medical First Response (MFR) Medical Control Protocols (MCP)

2.5 Medical First Response (MFR) Agency-Specific Medical Control Protocol (MCP) Approval Process

A. Objective

The Medical First Response (MFR) Agency-Specific MCP Approval Process will outline the procedure for MFR Agencies to develop, request and implement MCPs outside of the MFR's current Medical Control Protocols (MCPs).

B. Background Information

The Provincial MFR Program recognizes that each of our MFR Partner Agencies have their own unique challenges and departmental differences including; varying levels of service and staffing, geographical concerns and community needs.

The Agency-Specific MCP Approval Process will enable MFR agencies to request an adaptation of the current MFR MCPs. This request will happen through review by one or all of the following;

- i. The MFR Administration Teamⁱ;
- ii. The Agency's Medical Director;
- iii. The Zone Medical Director;
- iv. The Medical Director's Committeeⁱⁱ

C. Review and Approval Process

- i. The Agency identifies a need for an Agency-Specific MCP
- ii. The MFR Agency will be required to submit a written request for an MCP review and adaptation along with rationale for the request to: The MFR Administration Team via the MFR Agency's assigned MFR Strategist or by email at www.AlbertaMFR.ca.

- iv. The request will first be reviewed by the MFR Administration Team for the purposes of content details and potential issues or concerns.
- v. Once the MFR Administration Team has reviewed the request, it will be shared with the MFR Medical Directors Committee for further discussion.
- vi. If approved, the Agency and MFR Program Administration will collaborate to develop the Agency-Specific MCP and will forward final copies to the Agency as well as the agency's Medical Director.

D. MFR ALS Specific Protocols

ALS level protocols have not been universally adopted by the MFR Program. In order to support our MFR partners who operate at an ALS level, the AHS EMS - ALS Protocolsⁱⁱⁱ may be accepted. Agencies utilizing AHS EMS' protocols, will still require a review by:

- i. The MFR Administration Team;
- ii. The Agency's Medical Director;
- iii. The Zone Medical Director;
- iv. The Medical Director's Committee

Certification in ALS protocols can be completed through the AHS EMS mobile app or online at AHSEMS.com. Completion of the ALS protocols does not guarantee the utilization of the protocols within the MFR program

References

- i MFR Administration Team Organizational Chart
- ii MFR Medical Director Committee Org Chart
- iii Alberta Health Services EMS MCPs

Abbreviations

- AHS** Alberta Health Services
- AHS EMS** Alberta Health Services Emergency Medical Services
- ALS** Advances Life Support
- EMS** Emergency Medical Services
- MCP's** Medical Control Protocols
- MFR** Alberta Medical First Response Program
- MFRs** Individuals who are Medical First Responders

Definitions

- Agency-Specific Medical Control Protocol** A MCP that is specific to an MFR Agency and is unique from the MFR standard protocols
- ALS Service Level** MFR Agencies who choose to provide ALS care
- MFR Agency (Agencies)** Organizations providing Medical First Response

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