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TO: EMS Providers - ALS, LALS, BLS, EMS Aircraft Hospital CEOs, ED Directors, Nurse Managers and PLNs Hospital Association of Southern California

FROM: Daniel Munoz Interim EMS Administrator

## SUBJECT: STATE RESOURCES IN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS

In an effort to assist with ongoing Ambulance Patient Offload Delay (APOD), ICEMA reached out to our State partners to ask for help in the emergency departments that continue to see extended delays when transferring a patient.

A California strike team was deployed into San Bernardino County on Sunday, January 23, 2022. This strike team was five (5) ambulances with ten (10) Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT). These resources were predetermined to help mitigate patient offload delay in the emergency departments. The responsibility of these personnel has been to help monitor patients being offloaded so that incoming units can be released back out to the field.

The hospitals who received this resource have provided continuous positive feedback and have supported a request to extend these resources. We are happy to report that an extension request was submitted and has been approved by our State partners.

These resources will continue to provide support in our local emergency rooms. The final day working in the hospitals will be Thursday, February 10, 2022.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the ICEMA Duty Officer, at (909) 208-8618 or via e-mail at ICEMADutyOfficer@cao.sbcounty.gov.

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