

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

SUBJECT: **SERVICE AREA FOR CENTINELA HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER** EMT, PARAMEDIC, MICN)
REFERENCE NO. 509.1

PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for determining appropriate patient destination for the service area for Centinela Hospital Medical Center (CNT)

POLICY:

I. Geographic Boundaries:

Northern Boundary: Ballona Creek; Slauson Avenue; La Cienega Blvd.; Stocker St.; Crenshaw Blvd.; Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd./Florence Ave.

Southern Boundary: Imperial Highway; El Segundo Blvd.; Rosecrans Avenue.

Eastern Boundary: Western Ave.; Central Ave.; Avalon Blvd.

Western Boundary: Pacific Ocean

II. Additional Considerations

- A. When paramedic providers identify that CNT is heavily impacted, the flexible northern boundary of the service area allows patients to the west of the 405 Freeway to be transported to Marina Del Rey Hospital (DFM), to the extent that DFM can absorb additional traffic and accounting for their service capability. This does not open the northern boundary to traffic coming into the service area.
- B. If DFM is not on diversion, patients from the airport and the immediate vicinity can be transported to DFM within its service capability as a licensed basic emergency department.
- C. The secondary service area boundary has been eliminated. This was the area previously utilized when all receiving hospitals within 15 minutes of the incident location had requested diversion to ED saturation.

CROSS REFERENCE:

Prehospital Care Policy Manual:

Ref. No. 509, **Service Area Hospital**

Ref. No. 509.1a, **Service Area Map for Centinela Hospital Medical Center**

Ref. No. 510, **Pediatric Patient Destination**

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