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To: San Francisco EMS Providers

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Subject: EMT COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Guidance

On March 4, 2020, the California EMS Authority issued a memo providing clarification on COVID-19 vaccine administration by EMT’s. In this memo, EMT’s are advised not to “…mix or draw up COVID-19 vaccines for administration.”

However, the local San Francisco EMS system has been granted approval through a Local Optional Scope of Practice from the California EMS Authority to allow EMT’s to draw up COVID-19 vaccines. While the Governor’s Executive Order N-39-20 remains in effect, San Francisco EMT’s may draw up COVID-19 vaccines, consistent with local training, but may not mix or reconstitute medications.