PURPOSE
To provide references used while developing the County of Riverside EMS Agency (REMSA) Policy Manual.

AUTHORITY
California Health and Safety Code - Division 2.5: Emergency Medical Services [1797. - 1799.207.]

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