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DATE: DECEMBER 4, 2017
To: Contra Costa County Pre-hospital First Responders and EMS Providers
FROM: Dr. David Goldstein, EMS Medical Director 
SUBJECT: ResQPOD Discontinuation (17-CLN-004)

The EMS Agency is sun setting the ResQPOD impedance threshold device effective January 1, 2018.

Over the past two calendar years, the ResQPOD has been used in less than 0.01% of all cardiac resuscitations. The benefit of sporadic use in such a small number of cardiac arrest cases has not shown improved patient outcomes. As the EMS system continues to refine our treatment guidelines for cardiac arrest and develop a formal cardiac arrest system of care, the role of the ResQPOD device has been replaced with more favorable science, including passive ventilation.

Questions concerning this change should be referred to Jesse Allured, Program Coordinator, at (925) 646-4690 or via e-mail at Jesse.Allured@hsd.cccounty.us.

