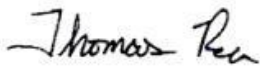


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Directive: King County EMS Vaccination Program Against SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19)

Rationale: Vaccination against SARS-CoV-2 is the key strategy to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Vaccination of the population requires mobilization of public health infrastructure to deliver vaccine in a timely and effective manner. Given their skill set, service structure, and public safety role, EMS providers can serve to provide this critical service consistent with the State of Washington Department of Health policy. In keeping with this policy, certified EMTs or paramedics may deliver vaccination when working as part of a structured program authorized by their EMS agency and with oversight from the EMS medical director.

Action: Certified EMTs and paramedics working on behalf of their EMS agency may deliver SARS-Cov-2 vaccine working in partnership with entities authorized by the Department of Health to receive and deliver vaccine. EMS agencies must maintain a roster of all employees who are participating in the vaccination program. Prior to participation, the EMS provider must demonstrate competency in necessary actions related the vaccination and documentation processes.



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