I. PURPOSE: To establish a local EMS agency as required for the development of an emergency medical services program in Ventura County.

II. AUTHORITY: Health and Safety Code, Sections 1797.94 and 1797.200. Ventura County Board of Supervisors Board Letter dated July 1, 1980.

III. POLICY: The Ventura County Health Care Agency is designated as the Local Emergency Medical Services Agency for Ventura County. The Ventura County Emergency Medical Services Agency (VCEMS) has primary responsibility for administration of emergency medical services in Ventura County.

A. Organizational History of the VC EMS Agency:
   - 1980 EMS Coordinator reports directly to the County Health Officer
   - 1987 VCEMS is made a department of Public Health
   - 1989 VCEMS is made a department of the Health Care Agency
   - 1996 VCEMS is made a department of Public Health