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1. Title of the guidance document and the guidance document number by which the document is referenced:

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2. Date of the publication of the guidance document and the effective date of the document if different from the publication:

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3. Summary of the contents of the guidance document:

The guidance document provides a resource for emergency medical services (EMS) personnel to use during an influenza pandemic and/or a public health emergency declared by the Governor of Arizona to optimize the delivery of emergency services when resources are limited or overloaded.

4. A statement as to whether the guidance document is a new document or a revision:

The guidance document is a new document.

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