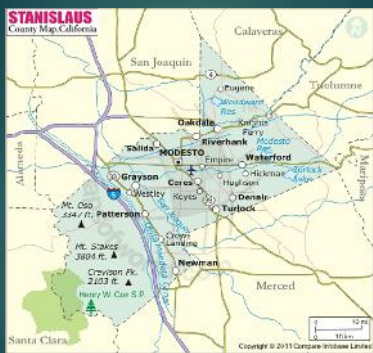


Selective Psychiatric Clearance by Paramedics: The First 1000 Patients

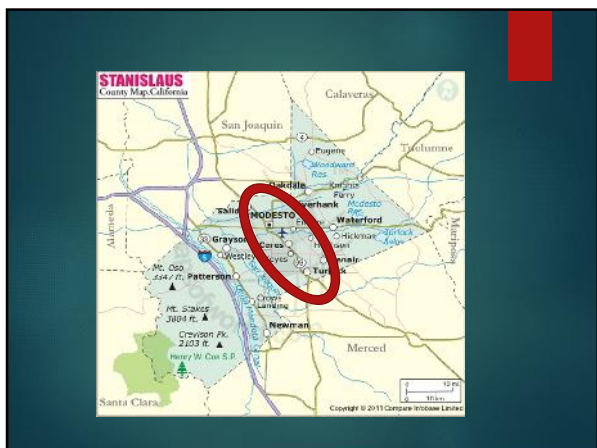
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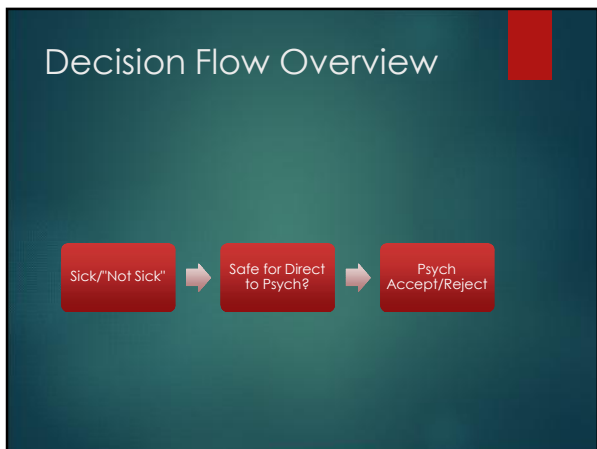


Stanislaus County

- ▶ 1500 sq miles
- ▶ Population = 550,000
- ▶ Fire first response (BLS and ALS)
- ▶ Private ambulance ALS response and transport









Sick/"Not Sick" Well Person Algorithm

- ▶ Vitals normal?
- ▶ No medical or traumatic complaints
- ▶ Not overtly hypo/hyperglycemic

EVERY Paramedic Learns this Algorithm

Safe for Psych Dispo Psych Clearance

- ▶ Reconfirm WPA
- ▶ Assess for safety (nonaccidental poisoning, lacerations, intoxication)

Only for Community Paramedics

