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To: ALS Clinicians
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From: Timothy Chizmar, MD, FACEP
State EMS Medical Director

Date: November 2, 2020

RE: 2020 State Content Courses for ALS Renewals (UPDATE- 11/2/2020)

Every two years, QA/QI trends across the state are evaluated in an effort to improve EMS clinician knowledge and skills. Using this information, the ALS Committee has developed mandatory training for all advanced life support (ALS) clinicians. This continuing education must be completed by March 31, 2022. The deadline for all ALS clinicians (CRTs and Paramedics) has been extended due COVID-19.

A total of fifteen (15) hours of continuing education are required to meet the National Registry State/Local recertification requirement for ALS clinicians. In Maryland, ten (10) of these hours must consist of state-level mandatory training. All ten hours are now available in online format. The final three courses below may be taken in-person or online.

The remaining five (5) hours of State/Local continuing education should be completed according to EMS operational program requirements.

Online Courses (located in the online training center):

- Pediatric Seizures (1 hour)
- Anaphylaxis (0.5 hour)
- EMS Health & Wellness (1 hour)
- Patient Technology (2 hours)
- Annual Protocol Updates (1.5 hours)
- Behavioral Health (1 hour)
- Prehospital Sepsis Management (1 hour) – in-person or online
- Cultural Competency: Transgender Patients (1 hour) – in-person or online
- End-tidal Capnography for Differential Diagnosis (1 hour) – in-person or online

The online courses are now available in the MIEMSS Online Training Center (www.emsonlinetraining.org). In addition, the train-the-trainer module has also been posted in the Online Training Center for those EMS instructors who wish to be designated by their EMS Operational Program to teach in-person courses. Guidance on obtaining instructor access to the in-person course content is attached.

Attachments:

Instructor Verification for EMSOPs



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Obtaining Access to the 2020 State Content for ALS Renewals In-Person Courses

- Complete the Train-the-Trainer in the Online Training Center for the 2020 State Content for ALS Renewals for In-Person Courses
- Have your EMS Operational Program submit the attached form for verification of support for you to be granted access to these courses as an instructor
- You will receive an email asking you to activate your account for the Instructor's Corner
- Once logged into the Instructor's Corner, follow the instructions in the Train-the-Trainer to be granted access to the course materials

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Instructor Verification: 2020 State Content for ALS Renewals In-Person Courses

(Please submit completed forms to Melissa Meyers at mmeyers@miemss.org)

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Full Name

MIEMSS Clinician Number

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Email Address

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EMS operational program (EMSOP)

This candidate is a paramedic in good standing within this EMSOP.

This candidate is authorized to teach ALS clinicians for this EMSOP.

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Authorization Printed Name

Date

Authorization Signature

