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To: ALS Clinicians

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From: Timothy Chizmar, MD, FACEP

State EMS Medical Director

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RE: State Content Courses for ALS Renewals in 2023 and 2024

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. <u>All licensed ALS clinicians must complete this continuing education by March 31, 2024.</u>

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, seven (7) of these hours must consist of state-level mandatory training. All seven hours are available in online format.

The remaining eight (8) hours of State/Local continuing education should be completed according to EMS operational program requirements.

The State Content Courses are now available in the MIEMSS Online Training Center (<a href="www.emsonlinetraining.org">www.emsonlinetraining.org</a>):

- Annual Protocol Updates for the past 2 years (2.5 hours)
- Central Venous Catheters (0.5 hour)
- Epinephrine infusion (0.5 hour)
- Extraglottic Airways (0.5 hour)
- Ketamine (0.5 hour)
- Obstetrics (2 hours)
- Pelvic Binder (0.5 hour)