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RE: COVID-19 Updates

Please find a few brief COVID-19 updates below, which address recent questions raised on our weekly webinars.

- An EMS clinician who has traveled outside of Maryland within the past 14 days is not required to self-quarantine on the basis of travel alone. Please consult the MIEMSS infectious diseases website: <http://www.miemss.org/home/infectious-diseases> for further information on this topic.
- Patients under investigation (PUIs) for COVID-19 may be transported to the closest appropriate freestanding emergency medical facility (FEMF) or closest hospital-based emergency department per the *Maryland Medical Protocols for EMS*. The previous guidance which advised against transport of PUI patients to FEMFs has been rescinded.

Thank you for your continued dedication to caring for patients during the current pandemic.