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Greetings EMS Jurisdictional and Educational Programs:

MIEMSS is pleased to announce the release of the 2014 Maryland Medical Protocols for Emergency Medical Services Providers, which go into effect on July 1, 2014. The limited distribution of the hard copy Protocols will be coordinated through the MIEMSS Regional Offices and MIEMSS Office of Licensure and Certification. An unabridged electronic version of the 2014 Protocols is available on the MIEMSS website (www.miemss.org). Also available online are the updated pages only, in a single PDF file.

One copy of the pocket protocols will be issued to each provider (EMR, EMT, CRT, and Paramedic) through the Regional Offices. EMT students, taking their initial EMT course, will also be given a copy of the pocket protocols. Additional copies will be available for sale from the Office of Licensure and Certification (call 1-800-762-7157 for ordering information).

Full-sized 2014 replacement pages, which can be inserted into the 2013 full-sized protocol manuals, bringing the document current with the new standards, will be available for sale from the Office of Licensure and Certification.

Packets of pages containing the 2014 updates will also be given to base station hospitals, specialty centers, public safety ambulances and chase cars, and educational programs.

MIEMSS, once again, will be offering an unabridged, half-size protocol spiral-bound manual for sale. Sales will be coordinated through the Office of Licensure and Certification.

Please remember, all EMS Providers must complete the "Meet the Protocols" version that matches their level of certification or licensure and the "Break It To Me Gently" training before July 1, 2014. This training is available on the MIEMSS Online Training Center or through your jurisdictional EMS educational program in a "Company Drill" format.

If you have any questions or concerns that cannot be answered by the Regional Offices or Office of Licensure and Certification, please contact the Office of the Medical Director at 410-706-0880.

Sincerely,

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