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To: ALS Clinicians  
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From: Timothy Chizmar, MD, FACEP  
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RE: State Content Courses for ALS Renewals in 2025 and 2026

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. All licensed ALS clinicians must complete this continuing education by March 31, 2026.

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, four (4) of these hours must consist of state-level mandatory training. All four hours are available in online format.

The remaining eleven (11) 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 ([www.emsonlinetraining.org](http://www.emsonlinetraining.org)):

- Airway (0.5 hours)
- Capacity (0.75 hours)
- CHF vs. COPD (0.5 hours)
- De-escalation (0.5 hours)
- Ethics and Professionalism (0.5 hours)
- Pain Management (0.5 hours)
- Whole Blood – Awareness (0.75 hours)