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Upcoming NREMT Test Changes

Effective July 1, 2024, the test for Paramedics and AEMTs will change. The previous test style will sunset and be replaced by new tests. This changes what candidates should expect in regard to the structure as well as complexity of the questions. In taking away the psychomotor exams, the NREMT is replacing that assessment with questions designed to assess clinical judgement. This will include scenario-based questions with multiple questions based on different stages of a scenario. Any question that goes live on the NREMT test has been utilized in the pilot phase at least 400 times.

Information and example questions are available online at nremt.org. As a reminder, initial licensure course education should NOT include protocol-based education as the NREMT tests are based on the National Scope of Practice. The cost of NREMT certification will go down because there is no longer a two-step process. For those who only chose to take the cognitive exam, they will now be taking the equivalent to both the cognitive and psychomotor exam and will see a price increase. The Paramedic Exam will remain a computer adaptive exam and the AEMT Exam will remain a computer linear exam.

EMS Week

May 19-25, 2024 is EMS Week. During this time IDPH grants recognition for providers celebrating 5-year increment anniversaries. Agencies can forward information for any provider reaching a 5-year increment at their license level to the EMS Office. THANK YOU to all the EMS providers for everything that you do!

Region 6 Non-Transport Self Inspections

Time is quickly approaching for the Region 6 (Decatur Memorial EMS) non-transport vehicle inspections. These are required annually and should be submitted to Slade.Michael@mhsil.com no later than June 15th, 2024. Any agency whose inspections are not completed and signed off with IDPH by the end of June are required to start the agency licensing process again.

Region 6 Protocol Testing

Protocol testing in Decatur is underway, agency leaders please reach out to <u>Slade.Michael@mhsil.com</u> if you haven't already started scheduling your agency's testing dates.

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