

March 2022

DEADLINE: IDPH Non-Transport Vehicle Inspections

All Region 3 non-transport vehicle inspections are due in March. IDPH is very clear that the failure to complete these inspections will result in the agency losing its EMS license and requires a new application. Currently, inspections have been submitted from Lifestar Ambulance, Emden Fire, New Berlin EMS, Beardstown Fire, Taylorville Fire, Jacksonville Fire, Springfield Fire, Sherman Fire, Middletown Rescue, Williamsville Fire, Winchester EMS, Chandlerville Fire and Lincoln Rural Fire. All other non-transport agencies are needed ASAP. The form can be found at here, (It must be opened in Internet Explorer) please complete and email to Galloway.belinda@mhsil.com

State approved Sexual Harassment CBL

We are now able to offer a state approved Sexual Harassment CBL to any agency that would like it assigned to their providers. This is currently not available for self-enrollment, but it can be assigned to an agency upon their request. It can be used to meet an agency requirement, but does not qualify for CME towards license renewal. Contact emseducation@mhsil.com for more info.

Expanded Scope Testing

Expanded scope testing has been scheduled at the Memorial Learning Center (MLC) from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. on April 12, April 13 or April 14, 2022. Plans for other Expanded Scope Testing sites are in process, more info to follow. Expanded Scope Testing will be in one hour time blocks. Providers will need to register on HealthStream and arrive at their scheduled time. Limit is 5 providers per hour, 25 providers per day.

MEMS is rolling out a new Tier 1 Protocol for use of the Bi-level function on the Flow Safe II+ for inter-facility transfers. The protocol will become active after the April Expanded Scope Testing. Look for information and CBLs on the topic in the near future. This device is currently used in CPAP mode for pre-hospital treatment, it will ONLY be used in bi-level mode for inter-facility transfers at the expanded scope level and for patients already on bi-level ventilation at the originating hospital.

Spring Protocol Changes

Spring protocol updates will go into effect on Monday, March 14th. Attached is a brief list of the changes. The full updated protocols can be found on the MEMS website linked <u>here</u>. Level-specific CBL's will be assigned to providers.

MEMS Education

The MEMS monthly CEU topic for March is Penetrating Trauma. Dates and times are Friday, March 11, 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and Tuesday, March 22, 7 – 9 p.m. Both have remote on-line access. The March 22 session will have an in-person skills option and will be hosted by Jacksonville Fire Dept. Sign-up is on <u>Healthstream</u>.

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