

# EMS Update



## Thank a Dispatcher!

Every year during the second week of April, the telecommunications personnel in the public safety community are honored. EMD's are licensed EMS professionals, work long stressful hours and make sacrifices to create a better and safer world for the public. Thank you for your hard work and dedication.

## Upcoming Changes to Expanded Scope for Interfacility Transport

Based on changes to the Illinois Administrative Code and requests from providers, 2025 will see some changes to the Expanded Scope Protocols. An additional level of provider will be added which will be Interfacility Paramedic. Many of the medications previously listed as Expanded Scope are moving to the Interfacility Paramedic Level as well as additional medications being included. A list of agency testing locations can be found in Healthstream, providers are welcome to attend at any location or at normally scheduled protocol testing dates. Protocols are being updated on the Memorial EMS website and files will be forwarded to agency leaders.

## Expanded Scope Protocol Testing

Log onto HealthStream, go to catalog and enter **EMS: Annual Expanded Scope Testing Session** in the search box. Click on it when it comes up and select **choose class**. Multiple dates and locations are available including Pana, Springfield, Decatur, St. Elmo, Jacksonville and Lincoln.

## CE Reminders

IDPH requires 1.0 hours of Alzheimer's training for all EMS licenses to be renewed. "EMS: Caring for Dementia and Alzheimer's Patients" is available on HealthStream.

**Wednesday April 16 at 1100**, "EMS: 2025 Monthly Protocol Review CE Lecture- Airway Confirmation" (live virtual format).

**Thursday April 17 at 1500**, "EMS: 2025 Case Review CE- April" (live virtual format).



## Upcoming Licensure Courses

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