

Abe Appreciation: First Responder day

The Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum is recognizing First Responders on Sunday, Sept. 11, 2022, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Free admission is offered with presentation of employer or department I.D. All responders are welcome: police, fire, medical, military, etc. Free gift while supplies last, call (217) 558-8844 for info.

OSFM Grant and Loan information

The application period for small equipment grants and apparatus/ambulance loans is now open, info can be found [here](#).

Emergency Department (ED) Services for Psychiatric Needs

Every ED is required to have capacity for screening and treating patients needing psychiatric services. There were recent cases where ambulances transported uncooperative, combative psychiatric patients some distance trying to get the patient to a larger center, calling for security to meet them on arrival. In multiple cases there was a hospital closer. In taking the longer transport, the crews are putting themselves into a dangerous situation should it devolve into a more hostile patient situation. Unless a court document is ordering admission at a specific facility, the patient should be transported to the facility of their choice, most likely the one they already use for their medical needs.

National Registry Removes Distributive Education Limits

Following the National Registry Board of Directors meeting on June 15, the board passed 22-Resolution-06, which permanently removes Distributive Education (DE) limits for EMRs, EMTs, AEMTs and Paramedics beginning Sept. 30, 2022. More info can be found [here](#).

Mid-America Emergency Symposium

Sept. 22 and Sept. 23, 2022 – Memorial Learning Center, in-person and virtual options available. Registration [here](#).

2022 Blue Mass for First Responders

See attached for invite and info, link can be found [here](#).

Free Pediatric Education, “When is Bruising Concerning for Abuse”

See attached flyer, link and password request can be found [here](#).

Free Poison Prevention CEU

One hour of free online CEU is available through the Illinois Poison Center.

[Poison Prevention Education | Illinois Poison Center](#)

MEMS Education

The MEMS monthly CEU topic for September is Pediatric Airway and Respiratory Emergencies. The dates and times are Friday, Sept. 9, 9-11 a.m. (MLC in-person and virtual) and Tuesday Sept. 27, 7-9 p.m., (LCPA in-person and virtual for lecture). There will be a Pediatric Airway Management skills session at LCPA following this lecture.

EMT and Paramedic Program Information

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