

# EMS Update

January 2024

## Alzheimer's Training

A change to the Illinois EMS Act now requires Alzheimer's training for all EMS providers. The requirement went into effect in 2023 and will apply for all renewals going forward. This needs to be 1.0 hour within the 4-year licensure period specific to the diagnosis, treatment and care of individuals with Alzheimer's disease or other dementias. There is an option within the HealthStream Catalog (please be sure to pick the 1.0-hour option). There are also options on other online sources and the Alzheimer's Association website [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org). This should be able to be obtained without any cost to the provider or agency. Please make sure it meets the above requirements.

## 2024 Memorial EMS Training Initiatives

In 2023 we had two in-person training requirements provided by the EMS System in the Springfield System. Catchup training will have limited options for 2024. 2024's focus will be surrounding updates to both the Decatur and Memorial EMS Systems. This will be most recognized with a complete protocol rewrite that will go into effect in the Spring. There will also be six online trainings for all providers, all qualifying for CE. If you are at an agency that already has been enrolled in HealthStream but you do not have an account, please request access through this [link](#). The remaining agencies in the Decatur EMS System that are not yet set up on HealthStream will be set up in January. About half of the agencies in the Decatur EMS System have been submitted for accounts, the remaining agencies should submit their personnel information to [Slade.Michael@mhsil.com](mailto:Slade.Michael@mhsil.com)

## 2024 Training Schedules

No agency is required to host CE training, however agencies who have not submitted a 2024 training request and received IDPH approval will not receive continuing education credit for any training that is completed. This is the last reminder for submission.

## SMEMS & DMEMS Education

Diabetic Emergencies:

01/12 at 9 a.m., 01/23 at 7 p.m. Sign up on [HealthStream](#).

SMEMS education related questions? Contact: [krueger.zachariah@mhsil.com](mailto:krueger.zachariah@mhsil.com)

DMEMS education related questions? Contact: [slade.michael@mhsil.com](mailto:slade.michael@mhsil.com)

## Licensure Courses

EMT	LLCC	01/15/24	<a href="http://www.LLCC.edu">www.LLCC.edu</a>
AEMT	LLCC	01/15/24	<a href="http://www.LLCC.edu">www.LLCC.edu</a>
EMR	Ashland Fire Protection Dist.	01/24	<a href="mailto:ashlandvolfiredept@gmail.com">ashlandvolfiredept@gmail.com</a>
AEMT	Rural Med	03/05/24	<a href="mailto:kimberly.bouser@ruralmedems.com">kimberly.bouser@ruralmedems.com</a>