To: Indiana EMS Commission Members

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Re: Advanced EMT Testing Status Information

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EMS Commissioners:

Good morning,

We are glad to say, the committee to develop the Advanced EMT Scenarios and testing structure has their final meeting and finalized the Advanced EMT core materials for the new testing process to begin 8/1/2024.

In summary, the new examination will be conducted by IDHS staff, utilizing the Mobile Simulation Lab and the appointed testing representative assigned by the IDHS staff. The examination will consist of the following skill performances and will follow all standard testing processes outline in the representative manual.

Skills stations to be tested:

- Oral Board A
- Oral Board B
- Out of Hospital Scenario

Testing will be completed on a regional request submitted to the Education Manager of IDHS. Due to the small number of AEMT programs, the overall goal is to centralize the Advanced EMT testing by combining several regional course programs on an agreeable testing date. This allows the IDHS staff and testing representatives to utilize their time wisely and facilitate good fiscal resources along with high quality testing processes and validation. Additionally, Kari Lanham and Tim Layton will conduct the first few examinations to pilot the newly implemented processes. They will then utilize any additional resources from the committee group to assist with the examination administration when needed.

The current testing manuals used for the Basic EMT Testing examination structures will remain, with modification of updating the testing stations as identified above, grade sheets and converting the testing data information to address the Advance EMT level. IDHS is in the process of developing an Advanced EMT examination request form, which will be placed on the website modeling the current Basic Exam request form.

As you know, the NREMT no longer administers the psychomotor examination as of July 1., 2024. Therefore, any student that was currently in the process of completing the NREMT Advance psychomotor testing, will now be automatically converted to taking the new Indiana Advanced EMT psychomotor examination, to be eligible for Indiana Certification.

Additionally, I want to take a moment to thank the committee and IDHS staff for their dedication, hard work, and efforts in the development of this new process.

Respectfully,

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