

Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service

FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

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TO: All MCFRS Personnel

FROM: Fire Chief Steven E. Lohr



SUBJECT: AutoVent 3000 Transport Ventilators Training and Deployment

The AutoVent 3000 transport ventilator has been approved for use by MCFRS ALS providers. This device provides automatic and continuous ventilations during transport of patients who are already ventilator-dependent. MCFRS will place these units in service to address those nursing homes that have substantial populations of ventilator-dependent patients.

Successful completion of the training schedule below will ensure that **all MCFRS ALS personnel** are skilled in the use of the device.

- Beginning **March 24, 2014**, an MCFRS web link will provide access for power point on-line training, with a post-quiz in the operation of AV3000. Successful completion of the post quiz is **required** to obtain educational credit. MIEMSS has recognized this training for three hours of Category II ALS Continuing Education. The on-line training will be available from **March 24 through April 19, 2014. All ALS providers must complete the on-line training by April 19, 2014.**
- Between **April 19th and 29th, 2014**, ALS providers assigned to **Fire Stations 3, 12, and 15 will complete** a one-hour practice and skills evaluation provided by the EMS Duty Officers. **The AutoVent 3000 will be placed in service at those stations on May 1, 2014.**
- Between **May 1st and June 1st, 2014**, **remaining ALS providers will receive the one hour in-service training from the EMS Duty Officers at rotating locations across the County.** Scheduling will be provided via the Apparatus Tracker, and by email announcement.

ALS providers **must complete both** the *on-line training* **and** the skill evaluation to use this device.

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