Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

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TO: All MCFRS Personnel

FROM: Fire Chief Scott E. Goldstein Scott Goldstein

SUBJECT: EMS Affiliation

This FCGO replaces and rescinds FCGO 18-02, EMS Credentials and <u>Affiliation</u>

Affiliation: To comply with the Code of Maryland Regulation (COMAR) Title 30, all Montgomery County Fire Rescue Service personnel that hold EMS certification or licensure must designate Montgomery County (150000) as their primary or secondary affiliation with the Maryland Institute of Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS). All career personnel must designate "150000" as their primary affiliation. All volunteer personnel, who are not employed as paid EMS providers elsewhere in the state must also designate "150000" as their primary affiliation.

Effective March 15, 2021, MCFRS LFRD Secondary Affiliations will be discontinued and all personnel holding such affiliations will be automatically migrated to Montgomery County (150000) affiliation.

Affiliations must be designated through the MIEMSS eLicensure website, available via log-in from the MIEMSS homepage at www.miemss.org.

Affiliation with the MCFRS will only be discontinued when a member leaves MCFRS employment OR LFRD membership OR allows their EMS certification to expire.

Extensions: Personnel who have received an extension of the expiration date for their BLS or ALS credentials must forward a copy of the MIEMSS extension approval to the EMIHS Assistant Chief by email with a copy to their chain-of-command. This is for informational purposes only.

ALS Surrender: Personnel opting to surrender their ALS licensure (for EMT certification) must notify the EMIHS Assistant Chief via their chain of command at the time they submit the surrender form (via the eLicensure system) to MIEMSS. Once the surrender request is submitted, the provider may no longer function as an MCFRS ALS provider.

For further questions or clarification, contact the EMIHS Section Chief.