

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

FCGO: 25-06

May 8, 2025

TO: All MCFRS Personnel
FROM: Fire Chief Corey A. Smedley
SUBJECT: EMS Affiliation

This FCGO replaces and rescinds FCGO 21-04, *EMS Affiliation*

Affiliation: To comply with the Code of Maryland Regulation (COMAR) Title 30, all credentialed Montgomery County Fire Rescue Service personnel must be affiliated with MCFRS through 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 clinicians elsewhere in the state must also designate "150000" as their primary affiliation.

Affiliations must be designated through the MIEMSS eLicensure website, accessible at www.miemsslicense.com.

Affiliation with the MCFRS will be discontinued when a member is removed from the IECS (not provisional), is permanently de-credentialed by the medical director, or allows their EMS certification/license to expire. People who have been disaffiliated with the MCFRS may not be placed on the IECS or see patients in any capacity.

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

ALS Surrender: Personnel surrendering MCFRS ALS credentials must notify the EMIHS Section Chief with a copy to their chain of command. Once the EMIHS Section Chief is notified, the provider may no longer function as an MCFRS ALS clinician. Notification to the EMIHS Section Chief must be completed prior to surrendering the license via the MIEMSS eLicensure system.

Personnel who have voluntarily surrendered MCFRS ALS credentials for EMT credentials will not be considered for ALS reinstatement within six (6) months. Personnel requesting ALS credential reinstatement after a period of longer than 12 months must apply for paramedic residency via the current PSTA procedure at the time of request.

Questions may be directed to the EMIHS Section Chief