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

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SUBJECT: Epinephrine Injection Training for BLS Providers

MCFRS will be implementing the Optional Supplemental Program for the IM administration of epinephrine. This protocol can be found on page 206-1 of the 2015 Maryland Medical Protocols. As the current supply of Epi-Pens expire or are used, they will be replaced by kits that contain a vial or ampule of 1 mg of epinephrine, and two (2) Safety Glide needles. This will be the only way to provide this medication.

This training must be completed by <u>December 31, 2015</u>. This training is to be given to personnel as a station drill and *must be lead by an ALS provider or EMT Instructor*. If your station has not received the training kits, contact the EMS Section.

The training consists of three parts: a PowerPoint presentation, a video, and skills check-off. Link #1 below, is a video that was done by the PSTA. Link #2, is a WuFoo form that will track this required training. *Once successfully completed, this training will result in 1.0 hours of MIEMSS BLS continuing education* which is required as part of our participation in the Maryland Optional Supplemental BLS Epinephrine 2015 Protocol.

PLEASE NOTE: Both the attachment and links below can also be found on the **PSTA home page.**

The training plan is as follows:

- The Instructor will review the **Epi Power Point presentation** (Link #1) with all providers, paying particular attention to the protocol information.
- Providers will watch the short video (Link #2) that demonstrates the skills required to administer an intramuscular injection.
- Providers practice the skills with the epi training kits that were delivered to the stations via the courier.

- As each provider demonstrates the skills as listed on the skill sheet, the Instructor will document on the **attached skill sheet** once the student is successful.
- Please return the skill sheets to Lt. Jamie Baltrotsky at Headquarters.
- The Instructor will then create a roster via the link below (Link #3) which is electronically sent to the PSTA. The roster can be created using any internet ready device. The Instructor must include the student's name, MCFRS ID #, MIEMSS ID # and station/shift assignment. Once submitted, the Instructor will receive a receipt of submittal with a copy of the document.
- Link #1 Epi-Kit Power Point
- Link #2 Epi-Kit Skills Video
- Link #3 Epi-Kit Wufoo Tracking Form