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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 18, 2020
To: S-SV EMS System Participants
From: S-SV EMS Agency
Subject: EMS Personnel Recertification/Reaccreditation/Reauthorization Direction

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide important direction related to EMS personnel recertification, reaccreditation and reauthorization requirements.

- **S-SV EMS Certified EMR, EMT & AEMT Personnel:**
 - Requirements to submit proof of current CPR recognition for recertification are not included in current regulations. Due to the fact that skills competency verification forms for these personnel include CPR and AED skills, the requirements to submit proof of a current CPR card for recertification will be permanently eliminated from applicable S-SV EMS policies effective immediately.

- **S-SV EMS Accredited Paramedic Personnel:**
 - Requirements to submit proof of a current PALS, PEPP, APLS or Handtevy Prehospital Pediatric Provider Course recognition for paramedic reaccreditation will be temporarily waived for the next 90 days, under the following conditions:
 - Applicable paramedic personnel submit a letter (or email to info@ssvems.com) as part of their reaccreditation application, indicating that they were unable to obtain this recognition as a result of the current COVID-19 situation.
 - PALS, PEPP, APLS or Handtevy Prehospital Pediatric Provider Course recognition is subsequently obtained when training courses resume, and a copy of a current recognition card is subsequently provided to S-SV EMS at that time.

- **S-SV EMS Authorized MICN Personnel:**

- Requirements to submit proof of a minimum four-hour ambulance ride-along for MICN reauthorization will be waived for the next 90 days under the following condition:
 - Applicable MICN personnel submit a letter (or email to info@ssvems.com) as part of their reauthorization application, indicating that they were unable to complete this ambulance ride-along due to the current COVID-19 situation. A subsequent ambulance ride-along will not be required under this circumstance.
- MICN personnel who are unable to complete additional requirements necessary for reauthorization (PALS, ACLS, etc.) may request a 90 day extension of their current MICN authorization by submitting a letter (or email to info@ssvems.com) indicating that they were unable to complete the reauthorization requirements as a result of the current COVID-19 situation. This does not apply to an individual with a lapsed California RN license, unless the BRN provides subsequent direction extending re-licensure requirements.

At this time, EMS personnel must maintain current/valid required certifications, accreditations, licenses, and/or authorizations to function in the EMS system. We have been notified that the California EMS Authority is currently working on emergency regulations and other options to address the skills verification, expiring certifications/licenses and other issues related to EMS training programs. We will provide further direction regarding these matters as appropriate.