Region XI EMS Monthly Pearls

- On May 1st, the Transport of Veteran Patients to VAMC policy (C.21) was implemented which defines the catchment area and criteria for self-identified veterans to be transported to a Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC).

- On June 1st, the Roseland Community Triage Center (CTC) Pilot began, which allows Chicago Fire Department EMS transports of medically stable patients with a mental health complaint to a stand alone crisis stabilization center.
  
  - Any patient that is a potential transport to the Roseland CTC should meet inclusion criteria, be within the catchment area, and be called in to University of Chicago for Online Medical Control.
  
  - Alternative transport destinations beyond traditional Emergency Departments for 911 calls have been a successful model in other EMS Systems.

- For any patient in cardiac arrest, the impression should be “Cardiac Arrest” and all CARES questions should be answered in the documentation.

Questions? Contact your hospital EMS Coordinator or EMS Medical Director