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DATE: January 9, 2020
TO: Region XI EMTs
FROM: Region XI EMS Medical Directors Consortium
RE: EMT Competency Testing

The Region XI EMS System is conducting EMT Competency Testing sessions starting January 15, 2020. Competency Testing is held every other year alternating between EMTs and Paramedics within Region XI to evaluate both cognitive and psychomotor skills. **This is mandatory for all providers that maintain an EMT-Basic license in the Region XI EMS System.**

Each Competency Testing session will have a written examination and three scenario based skills stations. Content of the sessions will be based on the Region XI EMS Standing Medical Orders (SMOs) and Policies with a focus on recent updates, the National Continued Competency Program for EMTs, and the National EMS Education Standards. Links to these references are posted on the Target Solutions Bulletin Board under "Region XI Resources."

The passing score for both the written examination and the skills stations is 75%. It is the expectation that all EMTs review the material in preparation for their testing session date.

For Chicago Fire Department EMTs: Sessions will be held at 0800 or 1200 with a duration of 3 hours. These sessions will be held in January through April at Fire Academy South for CFD members only. Registration for sessions will be through the Region XI Target Solutions (TS) webpage and you should receive notification of available dates through the email that you have linked to your TS account. You may only sign up for one testing session. In order to be guaranteed a seat, you must register for a session before February 15, 2020.

For Private Provider EMTs: Sessions will be held at 0800 or 1200 with a duration of 3 hours. These sessions will be held in April at multiple locations. Registration will be done through Target Solutions at a later date.

This is a Competency Testing session; there will be no continuing education hours awarded. There will also be no same day retesting.

Please refer questions to your Resource Hospital.

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