Region 11 EMS Monthly Pearls

- EMS providers who will directly care for a patient with possible Coronavirus (COVID-19) infection or who will be in the compartment with the patient should follow Standard, Contact, and Airborne Precautions, including the use of eye protection.

- Patients with fever or signs/symptoms of lower respiratory illness (cough or shortness of breath) should be screened for travel history. Recommendations for evaluating and reporting Persons Under Investigation (PUI) are updated frequently and CDC guidelines should be followed.

- All EMTs, Paramedics, ECRNs, ECPs should complete the mandatory “Death in the Field” education by March 15th.

- Region 11 EMTs and Paramedics should maintain an active Target Solutions profile.

- Rush University Medical Center has been approved as a Ventricular Assist Device (VAD) Center and is updated on the VAD Transport Policy (C.20)

Questions? Contact your hospital EMS Coordinator or EMS Medical Director