DATE: July 30, 2020

TO: Region 11 EMS Providers
    Region 11 EMS Base Stations

FROM: REGION 11 EMS MEDICAL DIRECTORS CONSORTIUM

SUBJECT: MANDATORY TRAUMA UPDATE 2020 – PART 1 (SMR AND HEMORRHAGE CONTROL) ASSIGNMENT

There will be a mandatory “Trauma Update 2020 – Part 1 (SMR and Hemorrhage Control)” assignment for all EMTs, Paramedics, ECRNs, and ECPs in the Region 11 EMS System that will begin on August 1, 2020 and must be completed by September 1, 2020.

For EMTs and Paramedics, this education is available on the Region 11 EMS Target Solutions e-learning platform and you should receive notice of the assignment through the email you have linked through your Target Solutions account.

It is important to read all the documents and view the complete video prior to attempting the test. Users that do not achieve a 75% score after three attempts will not receive credit for the assignment and must contact their Resource Hospital. On successful completion, users will earn one (1) hour of Continuing Education in the Trauma Core Content Category.

Users that encounter video technical issues should refer to the troubleshooting links posted on the Target Solutions bulletin board. This includes ensuring that your internet is up to date with system requirements including browser, operating system, bandwidth, and clearing the internet cache history. As per Region 11 policy, all EMS providers must have a current Target Solutions account in order to receive the assignment. If you do not receive the notification of this assignment, check the status of your account, and then contact your Resource Hospital.

For all ECRNs and ECPs, the education will be provided through your EMS Coordinator or EMS Medical Director and one hour of ECRN Continuing Education will be provided.

The implementation date for the new Spinal Care Protocol and Extremity Trauma/External Hemorrhage Management Protocol is September 15, 2020. All licensed Region 11 EMS providers will be suspended if the education has not been completed by this date.

Please contact your Resource Hospital with questions.

Kenneth Pearlman, MD
Chair, Region 11 EMS Medical Directors Consortium
EMSS Medical Director
Northwestern Memorial Hospital

Katie Tataris, MD, MPH
EMS Medical Director
University of Chicago Medical Center

Eddie Markul, MD
EMS Medical Director
Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center

Joseph Weber, MD
EMS Medical Director
John H. Stroger Jr., Hospital of Cook County
Copy to:  
Cyd Gajewski, RN, EMS System Coordinator, University of Chicago Medical Center  
Patricia Lindeman, RN, EMS System Coordinator, Northwestern Memorial Hospital  
Anna Scaccia, RN, EMS System Coordinator, Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center  
Shannon Ziolkowski, RN, EMT-P, EMS System Coordinator, John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County