DATE: May 28, 2021

TO: Region 11 EMS Providers
    Region 11 EMS Base Stations

FROM: REGION 11 EMS MEDICAL DIRECTORS CONSORTIUM

SUBJECT: MANDATORY “TRAUMA UPDATE 2021- PART 3” CONTINUING EDUCATION

There will be a mandatory “Trauma Update 2021 – Part 3” assignment for all EMTs, Paramedics, ECRNs, and ECPs in the Region 11 EMS System that will begin on June 1, 2021 and must be completed by June 30, 2021 at noon. This will be a two (2) hour Continuing Education (CE) assignment.

For EMTs and Paramedics, this education is available on the Region 11 EMS Vector Solutions e-learning system and you should receive notice of the assignment through the email you have linked to your Vector 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 two (2) hours of Continuing Education in the Trauma Core Content Category.

Failure to complete the assignment with a passing score by June 30 at 1200 PM will result in suspension. Suspension notification will occur on June 30th and will be effective on July 1st at 0800. In accordance with Region 11 EMS System Policy, the fee for reinstatement is $150 per hour of Continuing Education (CE). This assignment is worth 2 hours of CE and the fee for reinstatement will be $300. In order to be reinstated, the EMT or Paramedic must submit their certificates and notify their Resource Hospital EMS Coordinator to arrange for payment of the fee.

For all ECRNs and ECPs, the education will be provided through your EMS Coordinator or EMS Medical Director and two hours of ECRN CE will be provided.

The implementation date for the new Trauma Update 3 protocols is July 1, 2021.

Please contact your Resource Hospital with questions.

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