



MEMORANDUM

To: Maine EMS Licensee

From: J. Sam Hurley, MPH, EMPS, NRP
Director, Maine EMS

Date: August 26, 2021

Subject: Chapter 20: COVID-19 Immunization Requirements Emergency Rule

This is intended to serve as notification that Maine EMS has filed *Chapter 20: COVID-19 Immunization Requirements* as emergency rulemaking with the Maine Secretary of State's Office. This rule is in effect immediately upon filing and is valid for 90 days during which time the Board of EMS may pursue formal rulemaking.

It must be noted that this rule, in no way, infringes, replaces, or removes any provisions made in the Maine CDC's emergency modification to their existing immunization rule that expanded coverage to 'EMS Organizations.'

Maine EMS continues to support EMS' inclusion in the rule modification that was made by Maine CDC. Since the onset of the pandemic, Maine EMS has tirelessly advocated for EMS professionals to be regarded as members of overall healthcare community and this situation was no different.

Questions regarding Maine CDC's rule should be directed to the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Questions regarding Maine EMS' rule should be directed to Maine EMS by emailing maine.ems@maine.gov.