



MEMORANDUM

To: Maine EMS Agencies

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Subject: Announcement of 2021 Protocol Update Training

What

Maine EMS will begin utilizing updated Statewide EMS protocols on December 1, 2021 at 12:01 am. All Maine EMS clinicians must complete a protocol update session. Clinicians will have TWO options for completing this update.

Option 1

Maine EMS will be holding six (6) online sessions for the 2021 Maine EMS Protocol Updates, presented via ZOOM webinar. Due to COVID, **there will be no live, in-person sessions**. As in the past, there will be one session per EMS Region, and will be led by state EMS Directors Drs. Matt Sholl and Kate Zimmerman, and the Regional Medical Director for each specific region, with additional support by Maine EMS staff. In addition, the Regional Medical Directors for the Region being highlighted will have the opportunity to specifically discuss the changes for the sections they authored. Clinicians must attend the entire session for credit.

Option 2

Protocol updates will also be presented on the MEMSEd LMS. **EMS clinicians need only complete ONE of the courses** for CEH credit- EITHER the ZOOM online webinar OR the MEMSEd course, but not both. The MEMSEd course will be available towards the end of October, and access will be available by logging onto the MEMSEd site. A link to the MEMSEd site is available on the Maine EMS homepage or visit the site directly at: <https://mensed.maineems.org/LMS/>

Who

These sessions are open to all EMS clinicians, service Medical Directors, and hospital clinicians.

When/Where

All Option #1 sessions will be via ZOOM webinar and are online only. Session length is dependent upon attendance and participation. Participants should plan on 3 – 4 hours. SEE BELOW for dates and registration links.

Registration:

- Though each session is directed at specific regions, **clinicians may attend any session they wish**. **NOTE: CEH credit will be given for attendance at one (1) session ONLY. Attendance will be verified via the webinar software and you must attend the entire session.**

- All attendees must register in advance, online, using the links provided. There is no registration by phone. In order to provide a better-quality webinar, **attendance at each session is capped at 500 attendees**. First come, first served. If you are unable to register for the webinars due to capped attendance, you may complete the course on MEMSEd for CEH credit.
- PLEASE verify the date and time of the session you want BEFORE you register.

Cancellations:

- Registration cancellations must be made by email to the EMS Education Coordinator: christopher.azevedo@maine.gov

Groups:

- Due to limited staffing and resources, there is no group option available. Individuals who are not able to register on their own may take the update course on MEMSEd.

Dates and links for registration are below. All participants must register for attendance via registration links.

Region	Date & Time	Click Below to Register!
Region 1	Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 9am	Register Here!
Region 2	Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 4pm	Register Here!
Region 3	Monday, October 25, 2021 at 10am	Register Here!
Region 4	Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 3pm	Register Here!
Region 5	Monday, October 18, 2021 at noon	Register Here!
Region 6	Thursday, October 28, 2021 at noon	Register Here!

CEH Credit

CEH credits will be announced at the webinars. Licensed EMS clinicians have the option of attending EITHER the webinar or doing the online MEMSEd course. Credit will only be given for one of the options. Attendees must be registered for the webinar and attendance verified, to receive CEH credit for this session. CEH hours will be added directly to your Maine eLicensing report (found at <https://www.maine.gov/ems/licensing>).

Service directors and chiefs are asked to please forward this notice to all EMS licensed personnel. This notice, along with registration links will also be posted on the Maine EMS website. All questions regarding the protocol update sessions, instructor session, or the MEMSEd course should be directed to Maine EMS, attention EMS Education Coordinator, christopher.azevedo@maine.gov or cell #: 207-530-1950.