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SUBJECT: New Release Update

TO: Regional EMS Councils
PA EMS Agencies & Providers

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The following items have recently been forwarded for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin on Saturday, August 29, 2015:

1. Scope of Practice for EMS Providers.
2. Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund (EMSOF) 2015-2016.
3. Approved and Required Medication Lists.

Additionally, the required 2015 Pennsylvania Statewide Advanced Life Support (ALS) Protocol Update, Learning Management System (LMS) version (Course #007694), will be available on LMS for EMS Provider use beginning sometime during the week of August 23, 2015. CentreLearn will send out an announcement to all users upon placement and availability of the program for use by EMS Providers.

EMS Providers may complete the LMS version or the in-person presentation conducted by their Regional EMS Medical Director or EMS Agency Medical Director, available until October 1, 2015. In-person presentations must be pre-registered with the Regional EMS Council and must utilize the approved Pennsylvania Department of Health, PowerPoint/Lesson Plan materials previously forwarded to the Regional EMS Education Coordinators for distribution. Clinical Patient Care credit of 1.0 hours, formerly known as Medical/Trauma will be awarded to those successfully completing either program.

EMS Providers should contact their EMS Agency Medical Director for information relating to the educational presentations and authorization prior to implementation.