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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 3, 2016

TO: Michigan EMS Agencies
Medical Control Authorities

FROM: Sabrina Slee, EMS Section Manager *SS*
Bureau of EMS, Trauma and Preparedness

SUBJECT: REVISED Life Support Vehicle Requirements

Many of you have contacted our office with questions in response to our June 27, 2016 memo and updated Life Support Vehicle Requirements. This prompted further review, which resulted in additional revisions to the Life Support Vehicle Requirements. The FINAL revisions (including those from the June 27, 2016 memo) are listed below:

Category	Equipment	What Changed?	Applies to what Licensure Level?
Vehicle Requirements	Flares	Corrected the number required from 1 to 3	BLS, LALS, ALS
	MEDCOM Communications	Added requirement for two-way communication with dispatch	MFR
	MEDCOM Communications	Added requirement for patient side communication (unless waived)	LALS
Airway	Supraglottic	Sizes were removed	BLS, LALS, ALS
	Bag Valve Mask	Added neonate size	MFR
	Bite Block	Removed	All Levels
	Masks – Non-Rebreather	Replaced masks	MFR
	Nasal Airway	Added	MFR

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Airway (continued)	Oropharyngeal Airway	Sizes corrected	MFR
	Pulse Oximeter	Changed the word "Probes" to "Pediatric and Adult Capability"	ALS
Trauma – Splinting	Head Immobilization Device	Changed back to 1 required	MFR
	Long Spine Immobilization Device	Changed back to 1 required	MFR
Trauma – Bandaging	Burn Sheets	Changed from "clean" to "sterile"	All Levels
	Arterial Tourniquet (Commercial)	Added – number required is 1	All Levels
Miscellaneous	AED	Added comment "not required for ALS" as this is included with the Cardiac Monitor	All Levels
	Epi-Pen	Changed the brand name to the generic name "Epinephrine Auto-Injector". Added comment "BLS/LALS only"	BLS, LALS, ALS
	Blankets	Added to the requirement: "1 must be a thermal absorbent blanket, aluminum foil roll, or appropriate heat-reflective material (adult size)"	MFR
	BP Cuff	Add "large adult"	All Levels
	Water	Changed from "bottled" to "sterile or saline"	All Levels
	Thermometer with Low Temp Capability	Added	MFR

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Miscellaneous (continued)	Flashlight	Updated to reflect 1 required	All Levels
	Alcohol Based Hand Cleanser	Added	MFR
	Naloxone	Added	All Levels
	EPA Registered Disinfectant Cleaner for Blood Borne Pathogens (for Vehicle Cleaning)	Added	All Levels

Thank you for bringing your concerns to our attention and for working to ensure we are being consistent across the State. **Compliance with the new requirements is required effective 60 days from the date of this memo.**

The updated inspection forms are attached and will also be available on our website for your quick reference. Please note that there are two inspection forms: one for Medical First Responder Vehicles and one for Basic, Limited, and Advanced Vehicles. Please dispose of the previous inspection forms you received with the June 27, 2016 memo. The new forms have the August 2016 date affixed.

The Department is committed to ensuring proper review of inspection forms is conducted on an annual basis using best patient care practices and feedback from the Operations Subcommittee of the Michigan Emergency Medical Services Coordination Committee (EMSCC).

The Department is currently undergoing a review of our State Protocols, which may require additional changes to these requirements in the near future. You will be notified at that time if additional changes need to be made.

If you have any questions, please contact our Agency and Vehicle Licensing Coordinator, Lori Lynn, at LynnL@michigan.gov or 517-241-3026. I may also be reached at SleeS@michigan.gov or 517-241-3024.