

Midstate COVID-19 Information for Pre-Hospital Providers Vol. 2

Information for Agencies and Providers:

- Please take a minute to review **NYS DOH EMS Policy Statement 20-02** which can be found at (<https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/ems/pdf/20-02.pdf>) for information on everything from the COVID-19 Assessment and Screening to appropriate PPE for the pre-hospital provider.
- The **May EMS Banquet has been cancelled**. No future date has been decided at this time.
- The **Midstate June semester Skills and Didactic requirements have been waived for this semester (January through June 2020.)** This does not affect the NYS CME Refresher Program hours, this pertains to regional CME requirements only.
 - Regional CME Manager simply need to log into the Midstate system and make all of your ALS members good for the semester before June 30, 2020.
- **The Midstate EMS Offices will be manned intermittently. If there is no answer at the office, please utilize the following contact information (or leave a voice mail on the office line):**
 - Dan Broedel, Program Agency Director
 - dan@midstateems.org
 - (315) 292-3333
 - Melissa Lockwood, Midstate Clinical Coordinator
 - melissa@midstateems.org
 - (315) 794-4574
 - Tony Salce, EMS Education Course Sponsor
 - anthony@midstateems.org
 - Bill Perry, Office Administrator
 - bill@midstateems.org
- For any agency (first responders, ambulance and police agencies) involved in responding to EMS calls who is having difficulty obtaining PPE supplies should contact their county's Emergency Manager to request more BEFORE you run out.
- Please remember:
 - Both members of the ambulance crew AND the patient should be masked when transporting a patient with any possibility of coronavirus.
 - When administering nebulized bronchodilators, droplet precautions should be in effect for members of the crew.
 - Appropriate hand washing is still necessary. Do not rely on hand sanitizer only throughout the shift.

After hours or in an emergency you can always reach Dan or Melissa by calling the Resource Unrecorded line (315) 624-6287 and they will be able to reach us immediately.

Information about EMS Education:

- **ALL classes and meetings** scheduled to be held at the Midstate Building (14 Foery Dr., Utica) have been cancelled until further notice.
- The AHA has given a **60-day extension to current CPR, ACLS and PALS cards** that are to expire in March and April.
- The Midstate twice monthly **Tuesday night CPR classes have been cancelled** for the month of April.