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TO: EMS Providers - ALS, BLS, EMS Aircraft
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SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF ANNUAL REVIEW CLASS 2013

ICEMA developed a series of two (2) - 2-hour Pediatric Intubation modules based upon recommendations from the Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) and provider input. Both modules are mandatory education pieces for all Paramedics and MICNs, within the ICEMA region, and recommended for EMTs. This is an important tool in ensuring EMS personnel have the necessary knowledge to manage pediatric airways and ensuring patient safety.

ICEMA recognizes that the heavier than usual educational agenda may place a hardship on providers and has decided to remove the traditional Annual Review Class (ARC) requirement for 2013, and substitute the "Pediatric Intubation Basics" modules. All Train-the-Trainer classes for the 2013 ARC are cancelled.

The "Pediatric Intubation Basics - Module 1" must be completed by March 31, 2013. It may be taught either in the classroom or taken online. Providers taking the class outside the ICEMA Ninth Brain System are required to provide ICEMA with rosters showing completion by April 15, 2013.

The "Pediatric Intubation Basics - Module 2", which is due for release in the spring of 2013, must be completed by December 31, 2013. Further details will be issued prior to its release.

The accreditation and certification protocols will be modified to reflect the educational changes. Below are the basic guidelines for recertification/reaccreditation:

- Providers reaccrediting/recertifying in 2013 will need documentation of ARC 2011 and ARC 2012.
- Providers reaccrediting/recertifying in 2014 will need documentation of ARC 2012 and the Pediatric Intubation modules.

Applicants expiring after March 31, 2013, and prior to December 31, 2013, will also be required to provide proof of completion of "Pediatric Intubation Basics - Module 1". Applicants expiring after December 31, 2013, will also be required to provide proof of completion of "Pediatric Intubation Basics - Module 1 and Module 2". Failure to have completed both modules by the due dates may result in additional fees and delays in accreditation until the classes are completed.

There may be some variations to the above requirements based on individual expiration dates and previously completed education. If you have any questions, please contact Sherri Shimshy, RN, EMS Nurse Specialist, at (909) 388-5816 or via e-mail at SShimshy@cao.sbcounty.gov.

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