

Professional Development Committee
OEMS Office – 1041 Technology Park Dr, Glen Allen, Virginia
January 6, 2010
10:30 am

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Larry Oliver – Chair Dave Cullen Kathy Eubank Holly Frost Donna Hurst Nick Klimenko Stephen Rea Jeffrey Reynolds	Billy Altman-excused Dr. Charles Lane-excused	Warren Short Greg Neiman Chad Blosser Thomas Nevetral-excused Dr. George Lindbeck-excused	Melinda Duncan

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
I. Welcome	The meeting was called to order at 10:39 am	
II. Introductions	Introductions were not necessary.	
III. Approval of Agenda	The Committee reviewed the Agenda for today’s meeting (Attached)	The Agenda was accepted by Unanimous Consent
IV. Approval of Minutes	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the October 7, 2009 meeting (ATTACHMENT: A)	The Minutes were accepted by Unanimous Consent
V. Reports of Committee Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Officer Reports – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Larry Oliver - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Larry discussed appointments and reappointments to the PDC Committee and the process that was started in December. Everyone was reappointed for this year. Jeffrey Reynolds expressed concern about the annual reappointment as established in the Bylaws and Larry indicated they were under review. b. Adding 2.0 hours of OB-GYN to Area 10 Cat 1 for BLS was approved by the EMS Advisory Board (EAB) 	

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	<p>c. State Guidelines and Formulary workgroups have met and have tasks they are working on</p> <p>d. Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 11, 2010.</p> <p>b. Reports of Committee Members</p> <p>i. Medical Direction Committee (MDC) – Greg Neiman for Dr. Lane</p> <p>a. Their next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2010</p> <p>b. Not aware of any pending issues</p> <p>c. Nick Klimenko asked about enforcement of the new Procedures and Medications Scope of Practice Documents. Warren Short advised that they are approved by the Medical Direction and EAB and are in force. Until they can be placed into the EMS plan enforcement is difficult, however, the MDC has made it clear any physician working outside the documents will have less protection from liability.</p> <p>c. Office of EMS</p> <p>i. ALS Training Specialist – Greg Neiman for Tom Nevetral</p> <p>a. Education Coordinator – with the advancement of the proposed regulations, it appears the combined EMT-Instructor and ALS-Coordinator (ALS-C) credential is coming quickly. The office has begun planning for the transition of all current EMT-Instructors and ALS-Cs.</p> <p>b. ALS-Coordinator Seminar – Next Seminar is scheduled for this Saturday, January 9th, 2010. Have 25-30 candidates. As part of the transition to Education Coordinator, the ALS-C Seminar has been expanded to two days to allow for inclusion of BLS material as well.</p> <p>ii. BLS Training Specialist – Greg Neiman</p> <p>a. New Practical Exam - December was the big test as all of the classes that began in August/September tested. Greg has not heard of any major issues. Did have a test packet go missing from CSEMS, it appears it got lost in UPS. The situation has been handled and those students will be retested soon. All issues with CTS administration, Examiners, Evaluators should be addressed with the Regional Program Rep and/or Michael Berg.</p> <p>PDC discussed results of the new practical exam and a perceived increase in failure rates.</p> <p>Warren Short provided a snapshot of statistics regarding failure rates:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="709 1386 1241 1471"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Written</th> <th>Practical</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Jan-Aug 2009</td> <td>26%</td> <td>26%</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sep-Dec 2009*</td> <td>18%</td> <td>42%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Written	Practical	Jan-Aug 2009	26%	26%	Sep-Dec 2009*	18%	42%	<p>PDC requested copies of new version of Formulary and Procedures and Gap Analysis.</p>
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	<p>*It is important to note that the Sep-Dec numbers include retests under the old Practical Exam.</p> <p>In calendar year 2009: 6200 Enrolled EMT Students 74% passed their course (4655) 65% of those certified (3046)</p> <p>The Committee requested an Bi-Annual Statistical Review of pass rates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Suspension of EMT-Instructor Written Pretest – The Office continues to work to create the new written exam that is based on the Education Standards. The new date is to have it ready for the February CTS sites. People planning to take the exam should study the National EMS Education Standards, the Gap Analysis and the Atlantic EMS Council Practice Analysis. All of these documents should be posted to our website within the next couple of weeks, and can be found on the web. c. Instructor Practical- The Instructor Practical scheduled for December was canceled due to a lack of candidates. We had 30+ eligible candidates, but did not get enough to commit to the date. The next practical will be in May 2010 d. Instructor Institute- As a result of the cancelation of the Instructor Practical in December, the Institute for January was canceled as well. The next Institute is scheduled for June in conjunction with the VAVRS Rescue College at Virginia Tech. Actual location will depend on budget constraints. e. EMS Instructor Updates – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We held another Online Instructor Update on January 5, 2010 and had 10 participants. Instructors/ALS-C who attend the online Update must complete a quiz in order to ensure they actually participate in the online component. We have had a higher than expected fail rate on the quiz. Participants should download and refer to documents referenced in the Update to be successful. The quiz is considered an “open-book” quiz. 2. The next in-person Update is scheduled for Saturday, January 23, 2010 and will also be held here at 1041 Technology Park Dr. 3. The schedule of Updates has been released for 2010 can be found on the OEMS website here: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/OEMS/Training/EMS_InstructorSchedule.htm 	

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	<p>f. Scanning</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. #1 most important take away message – The Office remains up-to-date on scanning. We scan every day the Office is open and we are not and have not been behind. Every scan document is scanned within 24-48 hours of being received on business days (the delay may come in the time it is received. Items dropped off downtown after noon will be sent to the Tech Park Office the following day.) 2. With Ernestine Sutton’s retirement in November 2009 and the denial to rehire, her duties have been distributed to the remaining staff. 3. As a result, the number of CE errors in the system has steadily increased to over 10,000 as we no longer have 1 person dedicated to fixing them. 4. In addition, we continue to see significant errors in OMD Waivers, Tests and Enrollments. 5. The Office is doing the best that it can to stay on top of these issues, however, it is time for providers, instructors and agencies to step up and take ownership of this problem. Care should be taken to ensure scan cards are complete and accurate, prior to being sent to the Office. Doing so will ensure accurate reflection on your CE and timely recertification. <p>iii. Funding and Accreditation – Chad Blosser</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMSTF – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The FY-2010 EMSTF committed all funds by July 31, 2009. b) Committed around \$2.4 million to EMS Courses c) \$420,000 was allocated for Initial Basic and \$800,000 for Initial ALS Courses. The remaining is in CE and Auxiliary Courses. d) If we hadn’t contracted by 7/31/09 we would have lost the funds to budget cuts. e) As of right now, we anticipate only \$1 million for EMSTF in FY 2011. That figure could change depending on what happens with the new Governor and General Assembly. We won’t know the actual amount until after the veto session in April, 2010. 	

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	<p>PDC discussed ways the program could be administrated for FY 2011, due to concerns that the rural areas may have received less reimbursement funds. Chad explained that the announcement was made to all agencies and instructors at the same time and the contracts were posted to the OEMS website. Everyone had the same opportunity to apply for reimbursement. In addition since all funding was committed to courses and programs, student reimbursement was nil. Chad asked for any ideas on how to keep the process equitable for all Instructors/Students.</p> <p>PDC asked if we had seen a significant drop in the number of initial EMT Courses due to lack of funding. Warren reported the following numbers of courses that started in each year:</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">2005 386 2006 364 2007 378 2008 363 2009 358</p> <p>It is important to note that just because reimbursement funds have already been committed, this should not preclude Instructors from teaching courses and passing the cost on to students. With the current budget situation, it is time to rethink the way we have been doing business, especially with even less funds anticipated for FY 2011.</p> <p>2. Accreditation Update-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Accreditation program moving forward with reaccreditation of Intermediate Sites. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Significant number of programs up for reaccreditation this year. b) LFCC moving from I to P <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Site visit in next 2 months c) Fort Lee coming in for Intermediate Accreditation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Self-study has been submitted 	

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	<p>d) Paramedic Accreditation</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) CEHS has expired and are no longer accredited to teach Paramedic and Intermediate courses in Virginia. 2) NVCC is extending its Accreditation umbrella to Rappahannock CC to teach Paramedic in their area to backfill this gap (RCC already has Intermediate Accreditation) 3) James City County has accredited at Intermediate 4) City of Hampton FD is coming in for Intermediate Accreditation in the future <p>iv. Division of Educational Development-Warren Short</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. We have been discussing the Education Standards and asking folks to review them. Roll-out is still in the planning stage but hope to be up and running by 2012. b. Launch of the New Provider Portal – The new Provider Portal will eventually allow providers to obtain any report directly instead of by mail. c. Virginia Education Standards- Mirrors the National Education Standards but adds Intermediate. Should be finalized and posted soon. d. Practical Analysis has been received and should be posted on the web soon. e. Scanners-Councils put in for 180 scanners to go out to the field for Instructor use and were granted 100% funding. More info should be forthcoming. f. Rumors – There are rumors out in the field that Chad and Warren were un forced administrative leave. This is incorrect. Both took vacation for most of the month of December, since unused leave is lost. This rumor has persisted and has begun to affect the ability of them to actually do their job. Your assistance in not promoting this rumor is appreciated. <p>v. Other OEMS Information</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Michael Berg <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regulations <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Governor has signed the new Regulations and Mike is moving forward with establishing the 60-day comment period which should start January 18, 2010. Hoping to implement them by September 1, 2010. 	
VI. Previous Business	None	

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VII. New Business	None	
VIII. Public Comment	None	
IX. Dates for 2009 Meetings	Due to budget cuts the Office is cutting the PDC meetings to only 2 for calendar year 2010. The committee discussed options including foregoing travel reimbursement. The committee decided to keep the October 6, 2010 date.	
X. Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 13:09.	

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**Attachment: A to the
January 6, 2010 PDC Minutes**

**Approved
October 7, 2009
Minutes of the PDC**

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1041 Technology Park Dr – Glen Allen, Virginia
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10:30 am

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Larry Oliver – Chair	Billy Altman-excused	Gary Brown	Wayne Woo
Nick Klimenko	Donna Hurst-excused	Scott Winston	
Stephen Rea		Michael Berg	
Holly Frost		Dr. George Lindbeck	
Jeffrey Reynolds		Warren Short	
Kathy Eubank		Thomas Nevetral	
Dave Cullen		Greg Neiman	
Dr. Charles Lane		Chad Blosser	

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I. Welcome	The meeting was called to order at 10:40 am	
II. Introductions	Introductions were not necessary.	
III. Approval of Agenda	The Committee reviewed the Agenda for today’s meeting (Attached)	Motion by: Jeffrey Reynolds To: Accept the Agenda as presented. Seconded by: Kathy Eubank Unanimously Approved
IV. Approval of Minutes	The Committee reviewed the minutes of the July 8, 2009 meeting (ATTACHMENT: A)	Motion by: Holly Frost To: Accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by: Kathy Eubank Unanimously Approved
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	<p>a. Officer Reports –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Larry Oliver - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Did presentation to Medical Direction regarding I to P Bridge. MDC took no action. The current length of the program is set in regulations. b. EMS Advisory Board (EAB) had an Executive Committee meeting in September to discuss some of the events that took place at the meeting in August. The state Trauma Triage Plan was discussed as well as the formulary and guidelines committee. Dr. Brand wanted PDC and MDC to drive the process. After much discussion the Formulary and Guidelines groups were established and have begun to meet. Dr. Lindbeck clarified the purpose of these committees. c. Dr. Brand asked us to review the Trauma Triage Plan. Larry doesn't feel that PDC is the right place to review this plan. Please review your electronic copy and forward any comments to Greg Neiman. d. The EAB elections have been postponed until the November meeting. b. Reports of Committee Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Medical Direction Committee – Dr. Lane <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The last MDC meeting was confusing and controversial. There is a sense at MDC that there is a change at the State level for a stronger Office of EMS and some mistrust of that by some. The discussion centered around the Trauma Triage Plan and its process. c. Office of EMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. ALS Training Specialist – Tom Nevetral <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Education Standards, Scope of Practice, Formulary are pieces coming into play. Practice Analysis is complete. Will need to begin writing new test questions for the ALS Levels. Due to AHA, may not see new textbooks until 2011. b. The next ALS-C Meeting is at Symposium on Thursday night. ii. BLS Training Specialist – Greg Neiman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. New Practical Exam-Was successfully implemented on September 1, 2009. No major hiccups have been experienced. All Certification Testing (ALS & BLS) information has been consolidated under a single link on the OEMS website. The transition period for old retests will continue until December 1. As part of the rollout Candidate and Instructor Reports have been updated to provide more information. Also, when candidates receive their results for retests of the old practical exam, they will no longer include the reason for the practical station failure. When the new practical was programmed, those codes were replaced with the new failure codes, which would not make sense 	<p>e-mail Gap analysis to Committee members</p> <p>Send new version of Formulary and Procedures</p>

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	<p>to the candidate.</p> <p>b. Suspension of EMT-B Exam - On June 28, 2009 the OEMS suspended the Written Instructor Pre-test in order implement the first major rewrite since they were issued in 1995. With the move to the <i>Education Standards</i> looming on the horizon, the Office felt now was the time to pull in the exams and write new exams based on the <i>Standards</i> and the AEMSC Practice Analysis. The Office anticipates resumption of testing no later than October 31, 2009. Greg requested help from the BLS Instructor SME's (Subject Matter Experts) to help write the new questions. He has received a number of responses but still has some sections outstanding. We are also planning to provide direction on how to prepare for the new exam. Due to the delay in testing, this may affect the Practical Exam scheduled for December and ultimately the Institute scheduled for January. Decisions on these events will be based on the number of eligible candidates at the time.</p> <p>c. Instructor Practical- The next Instructor Practical is tentatively scheduled for December in the ODEMSA Region. The date may depend on how quickly we can resume testing.</p> <p>d. Instructor Institute- The next Instructor Institute is scheduled for October 10-14, 2009 and will be held here in Tech Park. Fifteen candidates will be attending. The following Institute is set for late January 2010 and is also planned for here in Glen Allen.</p> <p>e. EMS Instructor Updates –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We held another Online Instructor Update on October 6, 2009 and received positive feedback from the 12 participants. Instructors/ALS-C who attend the online Update must complete a quiz in order to ensure they actually participate in the online component. We have had a higher than expected fail rate on the quiz. Participants should download and refer to documents referenced in the Update to be successful. The quiz is considered an “open-book” quiz. 2. The last in-person Update was held on September 26th at the VAVRS Convention, and 25 Instructors/Coordinators attended. The next in-person Update is scheduled for this Saturday, October 10, 2009 and will also be held here at 1041 Technology Park Dr. 3. The schedule of Updates can be found on the OEMS website here: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/OEMS/Training/EMS_InstructorSchedule.htm <p>f. The Office of EMS policy is that if a Coordinator wants to move the start date of a course that has not actually begun more than 30 days from the</p>	

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	<p>original date, the coordinator will need to submit a new Course Approval and cancel the original announcement. Canceling the original Course Announcement will also cancel an EMSTF Funding Contract associated with the course. In the past this hasn't presented a problem, but since EMSTF funding has been committed for FY-2010, the funding cannot be transferred to the new course and the new course will not be funded. If a course date is changed within the 30-day window, the Coordinator is responsible for contacting Jackie Hunter and completing a Contract Modification document.</p> <p>g. ProCPR and National Safety Council have been approved as certifications for entry into EMS Courses. The Office's position regarding online delivery of CPR material is that didactic may be completed via distance learning, but the student MUST complete skills check-off in the presence of an approved Instructor prior to the issuance of a completion card. Only the specific card of the blended program by ProCPR may be accepted. See the flyer for more information. (ATTACHMENT: B)</p> <p>iii. Funding and Accreditation – Chad Blosser</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accreditation Update- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Two Intermediate sites going through Reaccreditation process. Prince William Co and Roanoke Regional b) A couple of Paramedic programs are going through CoAEMSP reaccreditation c) Teaching two classes at Symposium on Accreditation; Information on Advanced EMT Accreditation and Optional BLS Accreditation 2. EMSTF – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The FY-2010 EMSTF has closed as the program has committed all funds. b) Should have enough money to honor all contracts from this year but if further budget cuts are implemented we may have to cancel previously approved contracts. c) Vendor Compliant form for EMS Contractors. Violations of TPAM Policies and/or Regulations that violate the terms of the Contract will result in one of these forms being sent. Burden of proof is on the Contractor to prove they are in compliance. <p>iv. Division of Educational Development-Warren Short</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Scanners-Updated model with new software is now available, however have run into an issue with being able to upload. We are currently fixing the latest glitch. The Regional Councils have submitted a request under RSAF to 	

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	<p>purchase a large quantity of scanners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. EMSTF-may need to make changes in distribution for FY-2011 c. Education Standards- Have been asked a lot recently, “what is the transition program going to be for our current providers?” Rather than a transition program, we will do this through CE. d. New Instructor Test will test new Education Standards as Greg indicated. e. Non-US citizens in EMS Training- If they do not have an SSN, do not have them complete an Enrollment form. Submit scanned color copy of their Passport, Visa and any other documents and send it to Warren to determine eligibility. f. Practice Analysis. Final product was received by the Office on October 1. It is 152 pages long. Virginia had a 17% return on the questionnaire. The Office is reviewing the document and will be posting it soon. g. Webinar Quiz-Instructors continue to complain about having to take the quiz. h. H1N1 Vaccinator Program-Dr. Lindbeck created a summary document regarding who could vaccinate. Dr. Lindbeck advised that we wanted to create a Vaccinator Toolkit. Except in declared emergency only RN, LPN (under supervision of an RN) or Licensed Pharmacist are allowed to give Vaccines. If there is a declared Emergency and the Health Commissioner wanted to allow EMS providers to vaccinate, then we can. The toolkit was created to help inform the EMS community regarding vaccination programs. i. Karen Owens is the H1N1 Coordinator for the Office of EMS. Information was posted on the Office of EMS website on Friday October 2nd to give EMS Providers information on H1N1. j. The Instructor Update scheduled for Saturday at Symposium may have a change in time. Check the OEMS website for updated information. k. 1733 Registrants for Symposium this year. l. More information is now available on the web for Instructors. As we make more reports available via the web, we are planning to reduce the amount of mail sent from the Office. An updated Provider Interface is coming out hopefully before the end of the year. Will allow providers access at the moment of enrollment and will include the ability to view test results online. v. Other OEMS Information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Michael Berg <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regulations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Have been in the Governor’s Office for 55 days. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A constituent group has been in contact with the Governor’s Office regarding a section of the new Regulations. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) DDNR Regulations have been in the Governor's Office for 163 days. c) Have been told not to expect action until after the new administration is in place. 2. CTS-discussed earlier 3. H1N1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) We are aware of a couple of agencies that have been vaccinators and expect they will be stopping immediately. 4. Mandated Reporting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Must submit incidents involving hunting accidents to Department of Game and Inland Fisheries. b) DCJS-if there is a victim of a crime and there is no victim assistance program set up the Regional Council and/or OEMS must contact DCJS so that victim services can be offered. 5. OMD Certification Status report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) As of August 2008 we had 360 OMDs and as of August 2009 we have 192 OMDs. b) Had a couple of commercial agencies suspended for 24 hours until they could locate a new OMD. Three industrial sites are under suspension due to loss of OMD and one Volunteer agency. b. Scott Winston <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. December 10 & 11, 2009 Rural EMS Summit at Central Virginia Community College. 2. At Rural EMS Roundtable earlier this year we identified 3 core issues of concern <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) EMS Agency Leadership b) Local Government involvement c) Recruitment and Retention 3. Kevin McGinnis will be facilitating c. POLST- Dr. Lane asked if the Office was represented on the committee looking at this new form of end of life care declaration. Michael Berg responded we were aware of it, but did not have an OEMS representative on the committee. d. Gary Brown <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. H1N1-To reiterate, Karen Owens has been designated as H1N1 Coordinator for the OEMS and will be a single point of contact related to this for EMS. 2. Mosby will be presenting information on the next generation of 	

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	<p>online training on Friday Night at 6pm at Symposium. Attendance will be by Invitation Only</p> <p>3. The rest of the Office will be moving into this space at 1041 Technology Park Dr sometime before the end of the year. DED will remain in their current space and the move of the rest of the Office will create some shuffling of Divisions between the two buildings. Eventually all mail will be delivered here.</p>	
VI. Previous Business	None	
VII. New Business	<p>a) Greg Neiman presented a proposal from the Office of EMS to add 2.0 hours OB/GYN as an option to satisfy Area 10 for BLS recertification. Providers could take any combination of AED and/or OB/GYN to recertify under area 10.</p>	<p>Motion by: Nick Klimenko To accept the Office proposal to add OB/GYN to satisfy area 10 for BLS recertification Seconded by: Jeffrey Reynolds</p> <p>Unanimously Approved</p>
VIII. Public Comment	<p>Jeffrey Reynolds discussed his concerns that Intermediates and Paramedics have very little difference operationally and should we consider requiring Intermediates to complete the same requirements for recertification that a paramedic must complete.</p> <p>Greg Neiman asked for the feeling of the committee regarding the Office pursuing changing the process for recertification and move back to area requirements rather than the restrictive list that the National Registry currently has in place for Intermediate and Paramedic. The Office would petition Registry to accept the Virginia process for NR recertification and receive approval prior to implementation. The proposed VA process would allow a provider to recertify both National and State certifications by completing the process.</p>	
IX. Dates for 2009 Meetings	<p>a. January 7, 2009 b. April 8, 2009 c. July 8, 2009 d. October 7, 2009</p>	
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