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Dear Educator,

With the 2019 Virginia EMS Symposium now in the rearview mirror, we are starting to look forward to the 41st Virginia EMS Symposium as well as the spring semester. Here are a couple of updates for you.

2020 Virginia EMS Symposium Call for Presentations

The 41st Annual Virginia EMS Symposium, scheduled for November 10 – 15, 2020, is one of the nation's premier educational opportunities for EMS providers and Registered Nurses to obtain continuing education and network. Each year, more than 1500 registrants choose from 360 different programs over the 5-day event. National and local educators participate to make this event one of the top pre-hospital educational opportunities in the country. The Symposium has 12 tracks covering Airway, Respiration, Ventilation, Cardiac, Critical Incident Stress Management, Communications, Critical Care, Educator, Leadership & Management, Medical, Operations, Preconference, Safety, Special Considerations and Trauma. Sessions generally run 1 hour. Pre-convention sessions vary in length from 3 hours up to a total of 24 hours.

The Symposium Call for Presentation Web Portal allows you to submit proposals for the annual Virginia EMS Symposium. Once you set up your account, you will be able use this portal to submit and keep track of the status of your proposals as well as review, update and submit previous submissions. You can even start a proposal and save it to finish later if necessary. Once your proposal is submitted, it will be reviewed by the EMS Symposium Committee. If selected, you will be notified by a member of the Virginia Office of EMS.

Submit your presentations by clicking here.

CE Scanner Application Version 4.0

Yesterday, the Office of Information Technology released an update to the CE Scanner Application. If you are connected to a live internet connection when you open the CE Scanner Application, you will be prompted to download and install the latest update.

Only minor fixes were implemented, so there should be no change in the look and feel of the application to which you have become accustom.

Please make sure you update your CE Scanner Application to the latest version as soon as possible.

Education Coordinator Candidate Teaching Hour Requirements

Recent investigations conducted by the Division of Regulation and Compliance have turned up several issues surrounding the Education Coordinator Candidate program. As a reminder, anyone serving as a Mentor in this process shall:

    A. Assure the Education Coordinator Candidate has the knowledge, skills and abilities to teach.

B. Provide guidance for educational delivery of material.
  a. The Education Coordinator Candidate must teach all assigned "teaching hours" under the direct supervision of their mentor or a certified Education Coordinator approved by the Candidate's mentor.
  b. Candidates are not permitted to gain "teaching hours" if their Mentor or a Mentor approved EC is NOT present in the classroom during their teaching time.
  c. Candidates SHALL NOT be allowed to earn teaching hours from an Education Coordinator who is below the 16th Percentile Peer-to-Peer Benchmark. The 16th Percentile can be checked at: http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/emergency-medical-services/education-certification/program-rankings-based-on-16th-percentile-peer-to-peer-benchmarking/
  d. Candidates determined by the Division of Regulation and Compliance to have taught hours on their own or with an Education Coordinator who is below the 16th Percentile Peer-to-Peer Benchmark will not be eligible to attend the Education Coordinator Institute and will be required to reteach all hours which do not meet these requirements.
C. Allow the Education Coordinator Candidate to participate and discuss administrative course activity.
D. Allow the Education Coordinator Candidate to participate in all aspects of coordinating a program/class.

EMS Program Representative Boundary/Territory Changes

With the retirement of Heather Phillips-Green on October 31, 2019 and the promotion of PJ Fleenor to the role of EMS Program Representative Supervisor, the Division of Regulation and Compliance has made some adjustments to the boundaries/territories for all EMS Program Representatives and Supervisors.

Please see the attached map and table listing the new boundaries/territories statewide for EMS Program Representatives.

18 & Under Virginia Certified Providers

If you are aware of any Virginia certified EMS Providers who are under 18 and whose class ended after November 1, 2018, please reach out to these individuals and have them send an e-mail to National Registry (support@nremt.org) and request that their NREMT assessment exam be converted to a certification. National Registry will convert all valid assessments into NREMT certifications for free.

We hope you have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving!

Best,

Chad

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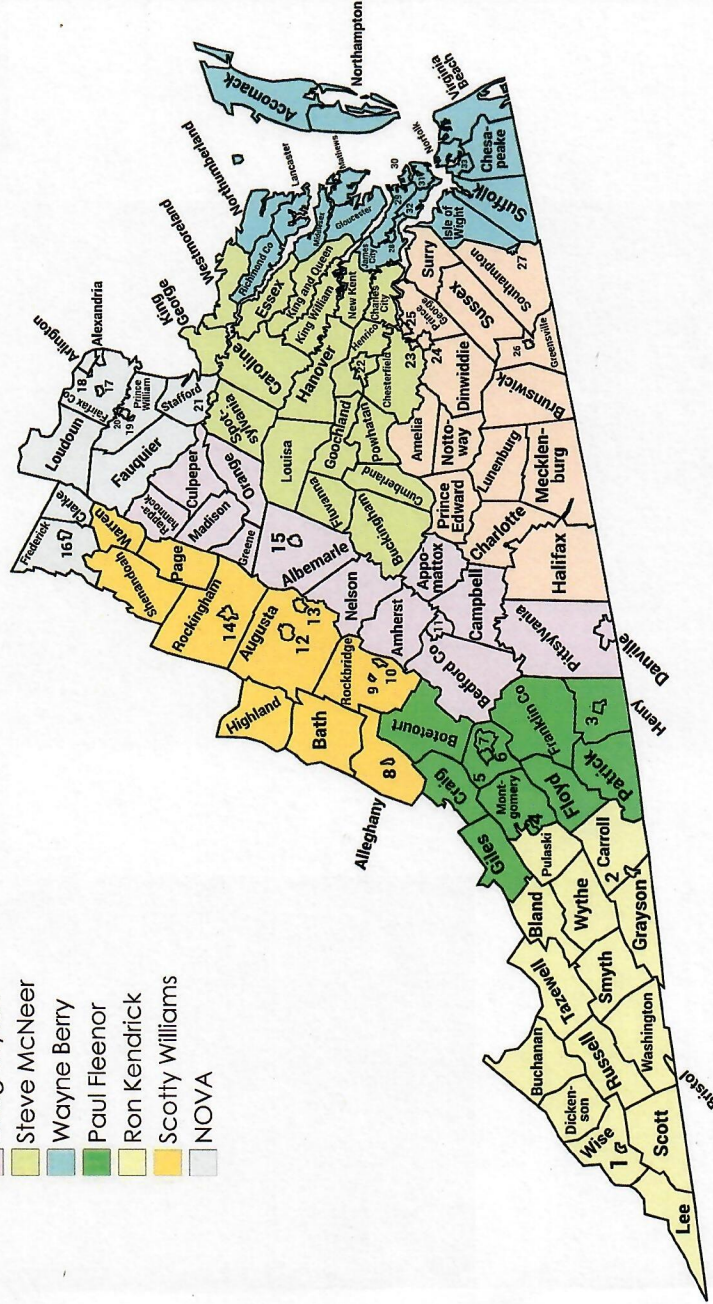Please let us know how we are doing by clicking here to complete a short customer experience survey.

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- Steve McNeer
- Wayne Berry
- Paul Fleenor
- Ron Kendrick
- Scotty Williams
- NOVA

1 Norton
2 Galax
3 Martinsville
4 Radford
5 Roanoke Co
6 Salem
7 Roanoke
8 Covington
9 Lexington
10 Buena Vista
11 Lynchburg

12 Staunton
13 Waynesboro
14 Harrisonburg
15 Charlottesville
16 Winchester
17 Fairfax
18 Falls Church
19 Manassas
20 Manassas Park
21 Fredericksburg
22 Richmond

23 Colonial Heights
24 Petersburg
25 Hopewell
26 Emporia
27 Franklin
28 Williamsburg
29 York
30 Poquoson
31 Hampton
32 Newport News
33 Portsmouth

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Program Representatives

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Counties:	**Counties:**	**Counties:**	**Counties:**	**Counties:**	**Counties:**	**Counties:**	**Counties:**
Amelia	Albemarle	Buckingham	Accomack	Botetourt	Bland	Alleghany	Arlington
Brunswick	Amherst	Caroline	Gloucester	Craig	Buchanan	Augusta	Clarke
Charlotte	Appomattox	Charles City	Isle of Wight	Floyd	Carroll	Bath	Fairfax Co
Dinwiddie	Bedford	Chesterfield	James City	Franklin Co	Dickenson	Highland	Fauquier
Greensville	Campbell	Cumberland	Lancaster	Giles	Grayson	Page	Frederick
Halifax	Culpeper	Essex	Mathews	Henry	Lee	Rockbridge	Loudoun
Lunenburg	Greene	Fluvanna	Middlesex	Montgomery	Pulaski	Rockingham	Prince William
Mecklenburg	Madison	Goochland	Northampton	Patrick	Russell	Shenandoah	Stafford
Nottoway	Nelson	Hanover	Northumberland	Roanoke Co	Scott	Warren	
Prince Edward	Orange	Henrico	Richmond Co		Smyth		
Prince George	Pittsylvania	King and Queen	York	**Cities:**	Tazewell	**Cities:**	**Cities:**
Southampton	Rappahannock	King George		Martinsville	Washington	Buena Vista	Alexandria
Surry		King William	**Cities:**	Radford	Wise	Covington	Fairfax
Sussex	**Cities:**	Louisa	Chesapeake	Roanoke	Wythe	Harrisonburg	Falls Church
	Charlottesville	New Kent	Franklin	Salem		Lexington	Manassas
Cities:	Danville	Powhatan	Hampton		**Cities:**	Staunton	Manassas Park
Colonial Heights	Lynchburg	Spotsylvania	Newport News		Bristol	Waynesboro	Winchester
Emporia		Westmoreland	Norfolk		Galax		
Hopewell			Poquoson		Norton		
Petersburg		**Cities:**	Portsmouth				
		Fredericksburg	Suffolk				
		Richmond	Virginia Beach				
			Williamsburg				