



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
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Bureau for Public Health  
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## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

**September 4, 2018**

**West Virginia Bureau for Public Health Commissioner and State Health Officer - Rahul Gupta, MD, MPH, MBA, FACP and the Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) Medical Director - Michael Mills, DO, FACEP announce:**

A meeting of the Advanced Care Technician (ACT) Task Force on September 19, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at the Flatwoods Medical Coordination Center, 89 Richard Minnich Dr. Flatwoods, West Virginia.

The BPH Commissioner created the Task Force to address the decision of the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT) to no longer recertify individuals as a National Registry Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate, effective 2019. This decision affects the OEMS ACT level of certification.

This meeting is a follow up to the initial meeting held on June 24, 2018. Members will receive recommendations from the Education Committee and from the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council.

Members of the Task Force include:

- Joe Lynch, KCEAA
- Roger Bryant, Logan (LEASA)
- Phil Shimer
- Todd Cornett, JanCare
- David Hodges, CFD
- Jamie Weller, EMSAC Chair
- Adam Crawford, ACEP
- Mike Peterson, ACEP and HealthNet
- PS Martin, ACEP and WVU MedCom
- Jonathan Newman, Regional Medical Director and MPCC
- Chris Hall, EMS Coalition
- Rex Lasure, Regional Medical Director and MPCC
- Steve Thompson, Fire/EMS Legislative Liaison

The Task Force meeting will be open to the public and publicly noticed with the West Virginia Secretary of State's office.