WVOEMS National Registry Transition

To make the transition to National Registry as efficient and provider friendly as possible, the West Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services (WVOEMS) and the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council (EMSAC) have reconsidered all comments that were made during the rollout sessions. We have worked cooperatively with National Registry and have revised the original DRAFT education approval policy to incorporate the requests of the field providers. EMSAC has voted to send this new policy out for 30-day comment immediately and it will return for MPCC approval prior to being implemented.

You will find the revised policy allows providers to obtain National Registry certification by applying alphabet courses or by utilizing the State approved refresher. All candidates shall still meet the hour requirements of the NCCP guidelines (*National Component, Local or State Component, and Individual Component*) and the State and Federally mandated courses in West Virginia to include MCI, CPR, Protocol Refresher, and Haz Mat Awareness per policy. ALS providers are also required to have completed the following:

- ACLS Refresher (or equivalent WVOEMS approved course)
- PHTLS or ITLS Refresher (or equivalent WVOEMS approved course)
- PEPP or PALS Refresher (or equivalent WVOEMS approved course)

WVOEMS and EMSAC are committed to moving EMS forward in West Virginia and need providers to continue to give positive suggestions. We are committed to listening and making every effort to implement suggestions providing they remain in the scope of practice, have minimal financial impact, are medically appropriate, and are within the constraints of legislating rule/code.