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DATE: April 6, 2020
TO: Official Agency Representatives
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RE: Mandatory West Virginia Data Set Element for EPCR's

Effective immediately, April 6, 2020. The following NEMESIS and West Virginia Data Set element will be **MANDATORY** for all Electronic Patient Care Reports (ePCRs):

- eOther.03 Personal Protective Equipment used. With the specific values of Gown, Gloves, Face Shield, and Isolation Coveralls.

This specific Data Set is already listed on the NEMESIS V3 State Data Set West Virginia as of July 19, 2019 and can be located at:

http://www.nemesis.org/media/nemesis_states/west-virginia/Resources/WV_StateDataSet.xml#Elements

Official Agency Representatives must contact their current EPCR Vendors to ensure that this Data Set Element and Values are marked as **REQUIRED/MANDATORY**.

This requirement is necessary to assist the West Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services in providing accurate reporting of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) utilized during the current COVID-19 Pandemic, as well as, future events, and to better assist EMS agencies tracking PPE needs.

Should you have any questions please contact Vicki.L.Hildreth@wv.gov .

cc: Michael Mills, DO, FACEP, State OEMS Medical Director