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Weekly status update @channel:

- It's been a while since we've sent an update. I'm going to try to get back into doing a status update every Wednesday afternoon with the highlights from the week's meetings and activities.
- We continue to trial scanning face sheets and PCS forms into ESO to eliminate mailing hard-copies. Currently, Stockton, Eldorado, and soon Osceola will be doing it. Next will be Hermitage and Bolivar.
- We have a couple new ventilators in and are working on rolling out training. Probably be
  another several months before the rest of them come in, so our current idea is near the
  first of the year for a big competency with pre-class requirements and hands-on
  classroom. These are awesome machines that will be a great addition to our ambulances.
- Reminder that our next competencies are Neonatal Resuscitation. The deadline to register was today. If you have not registered, we will pick a day for you to attend. Competencies are mandatory for all staff.
- As requested by some staff, we have re-verified with the Coding Department that our
  definitions of BLS, ALS1, and ALS2 are correct. The Coding Department confirmed we
  have the correct definitions.
- Dr. Nicholes has requested us to move from Kings and LMAs to I-Gels. They are cheaper, more reliable, easier to use, have more features, and just plain better. We are working on developing a Healthstream to in-service these airways. Potentially look for this roll-out in the next couple months.
- We are going to add larger ID numbers to the outside of our ambulances for better identification of which unit it is.
- We have hired SEVERAL new EMTs. Most of them are recently licensed, so please take some extra time to talk to them to help welcome and orient them to our profession.
- A few Crew Leaders have volunteered to help with fit testing, so look for getting fit tested for an N95 mask soon.
- There is a lot of traction and meetings going on at the hospital for increased nonemergency transport coverage with Health Transit and potentially a psych transport vehicle.
- It was also announced today that CMH is officially applying to become a Level III Stroke Center. A new CT scanner and an additional new portable X-Ray machine has also been authorized at last night's board meeting.