

Sept 9th

Leadership Notes

Have you finished your September protocol quiz yet?

<http://ozarksems.com/education-quizzes.php>

Remember when you are filling out the “pulse surveys” sent out by administration, generally, the questions pertain to our department managers NOT hospital administration.

Date has been set for the next ALL STAFF meeting. Oct 6th at 10:00 am.

Everything is on track for CMH to be an accredited stroke center by Nov 1, 2021. If you want to get an early start on the pre-competency requirements, go to <http://nihstrokescale.org/> and obtain an NIHSS course completion certificate.

We are looking at going away from the adult regular BP cuffs; they are a specialty item now. All other departments have stopped using/ordering them. The adult longs have the same range on the bladder with more Velcro on both ends.

Everyone will now have a 3-month window to get your life support competency done. Your birth month will be the 2nd month. Example, Oct birthday will give you Sept, Oct, Nov to get it completed.

Boosters and 3rd doses of COVID vaccine information coming in September.

New HelathStreams added for the quarter. Don't wait until the last minute to get them done.

Shout Outs

Shout out the Steve for using his down time the other day to practice intubations at different angles and with different masks on! –Comorgan

Thank you AJ and Wes for helping out in the ER the other night while they were busy! –Comorgan

Thank you Morgan, Dawn, Goldie, Robert F., Mike M., and Sid for helping in Hickory the other day with all the calls, that came in at once! –Alice

Thank you Carol Jameson for staying late, to figure out what was going on with our department's glucometer access, and getting it fixed! –Prehospital

Thank you Pete for putting away the supplies at the Hermitage station! –Tom L.

Thank you Allison for working for Craig! –Morgan

Thank you Craig and Dawn for working for Angel! –Morgan

Thank you Cheyenne, Eric C., and Coley for working the Rodeo! –Morgan

Thank you Colby and Robert A. for working the boat races! –Comorgan

Thank you Ray for offering to split the Osceola shift! –Morgan



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Safety Tips

With school back in session, review the policy on passing school buses.

Ambulances Passing School Buses, PHS01-23
<https://citizensmemorial.policystat.com/policy/9935595/latest/>

Ambulance Operations and Safety while in the Roadway, PHS03-08
<https://citizensmemorial.policystat.com/policy/9938672/latest/>

<https://www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/school-bus-safety>

https://www.safekids.org/safetytips/field_risks/school-bus-safety

<https://schoolbussafetyco.com/>

<https://www.winknews.com/2021/08/01/school-bus-safety-tips-for-drivers-parents-kids/#:~:text=Children%20should%20never%20walk%20behind,left%2C%20right%20and%20left%20again.>



Educational Resources

Have you tried to learn anything new lately?

<https://memsa.org/>

<https://www.ems1.com/>

<https://nemsis.org/>

<https://www.ems.gov/>

<https://www.emsstrong.org/>

<https://www.medscape.com/>

FTOs get with Brice or Theron about helping streamline the onboarding process.

Upcoming Classes through our Education Department

Sept 21st-Life Support Competency

Sept 22nd-Protocol Committee Meeting

Sept 23rd-All Hazard Disaster Response, Airway, Pharmacology

Sept 27th-Chest Trauma, Shock, Resuscitation

Sept 27th-Oct 1st EMS Instructor Course
Deadline to sign up Sept 13th

Sept 30th-Neurologic Emergencies, Medical, Respiratory

Oct 2nd-Landing Zone, ALS Assist

Oct 4th-Cardiovascular

Oct 6th-ALL STAFF MEETING

Oct 9th-15th-ER Nurse's Week

Oct 16th-17th-EVOS

Oct 19th-Life Support Competency