

Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service


FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

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TO: All MCFRS Personnel

FROM: Fire Chief Richard Bowers 

SUBJECT: **MOLST** Form Required Training

Beginning October 1, 2011, a new Maryland form indicating a patient's directions about their end-of-life care was put in place. The **Medical Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (MOLST)** Form is taking the place of the EMS/DNR form currently in circulation. However, previous EMS/DNR forms will not be automatically switched to the **MOLST** form, so EMS/DNR forms generated before October 1, 2011 will still be recognized and honored by EMS and other health care professionals.

MIEMSS has developed a brief presentation to educate EMS providers to understand and use the **MOLST** form, and this is **required training for all State certified BLS and ALS providers**. On completion of the training, ALS Category B and BLS Category M providers will be awarded 0.5 hours of continuing education credit.

Per MIEMSS, all ALS and BLS certified personnel must complete this training by December 1, 2011. You may complete the training by one of two methods:

1. Access the on-line method via the Online Training Center at www.MIEMSS.org or www.emsonlinetraining.org. Continuing education credit will be posted within two weeks of completing the presentation. This is the *preferred* method.
2. Alternatively, you may attend an instructor-led session at the worksite. The PSTA ALS Training Officer will provide a **MOLST** training CD, with a copy of the sign-in attendance sheet, to all worksites. To obtain continuing education credit, all personnel who attend must complete and return the sign-in attendance sheet to Nurse Clinician Linda Arapian at the PSTA.

Disciplinary or other adverse action may be taken against those who fail to meet this State-mandated Protocol update.

Questions may be addressed to EMS Section Chief Diane Zuspan at 240 777-2453.