

Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service FIRE CHIEF'S GENERAL ORDER

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TO: All MCFRS Personnel

FROM: Fire Chief Scott E. Goldstein



SUBJECT: Entry Level for Advanced Life Support (ALS) Residency

The Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service (MCFRS) strives to provide high quality emergency medical care. We achieve this in large part through a comprehensive training and credentialing process.

Since December 2012, the MCFRS has offered *only* the National Registered Paramedic (NRP) training program as entry level for Advanced Life Support (ALS) providers. In 2018, the State of Maryland discontinued training, testing, and certifying Cardiac Rescue Technician - Intermediate (CRT- I) providers.

Consistent with the above, the MCFRS Office of Medical Oversight (OMO) will only accept into ALS residency, as well as for the purposes of credentialing, providers who have acquired licensure as a Maryland Paramedic. This decision does not affect Maryland-certified CRT- I providers currently credentialed by the MCFRS.

Questions regarding this document may be directed to the EMS Section Chief.