## Midstate COVID-19 Information for Pre-Hospital Providers Vol. 4

## **Information for Agencies and Providers:**

- The DOH has stated that they will continue with the **weekly conference calls with EMS Agency Leaders**. These meetings will occur each Wednesday at 3pm until further notice. Due to the vast number of people joining this meeting, the DOH has set up link to allow agency leader to put their questions prior to the call. The link can be found at <a href="https://apps.health.ny.gov/pubpal/builder/survey/nys-covid-19-response-ems-agency">https://apps.health.ny.gov/pubpal/builder/survey/nys-covid-19-response-ems-agency</a>.
- Please continue to monitor the DOH's Policy Statement page which can be found at (<a href="https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/ems/pdf/20-02.pdf">https://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/ems/pdf/20-02.pdf</a>) for information on everything from the COVID-19 Assessment and Screening to appropriate PPE for the pre-hospital provider. These COVID Policies are fluid and can be updated at any time, so be sure to check back often.
- When transporting a patient to the hospital who requires you to wear PPE, PLEASE remove the PPE immediately after off-loading your patient and giving report. We are getting multiple reports of crew members who writing PCR's still wearing used PPE.
- Please continue to notify your Emergency Managers office (via your EMS Coordinator in Oneida and Madison County, directly to the Emergency Manager's office in Herkimer County) of your PPE needs when you get low. They will require your burn rate (how much of each supply item gowns, masks- you used) for the week leading up to your request.
- As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact either:
  - o Dan Broedel (dan@midstateems.org / 315-292-3333) or
  - Melissa Lockwood (melissa@midstateems.org / 315-794-4574)

## **Information about EMS Education:**

- The use of the traditional classroom for EMS classes remains on "pause." NO classroom classes are being held at the Midstate Training Center until further notice.
- Since the Midstate EMS Offices will be manned intermittently. If there is no answer at the
  office, please utilize the following contact information for any questions pertaining to the NYS
  CME Recertification Online Program:
  - Leslie Myers, CIC for the Midstate Online CME Recertification Program
    - leslie.myers55@gmail.com

