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To: All OSDH-EMS Division certified and licensed agencies and training programs

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Re: “Conditional” certification and licenses issued by the OSDH – EMS Division

Ladies and Gentlemen;

The Department has received approval to implement emergency rules to mitigate some of the COVID-19 impacts. These emergency rules will allow the Department to:

- Extend expiration dates for licenses and certification,
- Waive staffing requirements, and
- Alter individual initial licensure requirements.

Waivers for altering staffing requirements will need to be submitted to the Department for review and potential approval.

The emergency rules include the ability to issue “Conditional” certifications and licenses to individuals. These individuals will have completed:

- Approved courses, and
- Cognitive exams.

These “Conditional” certifications and licenses will allow individuals with NREMT “Provisional” Certifications to receive a licensed in Oklahoma. Additionally, individuals that have completed EMR courses and the CareerTech EMR cognitive certification exam can receive an Oklahoma EMR certification. These certifications and licenses come with specific limits and conditions that the individual and the agency.

These include:

- Agencies will need to do a skill evaluation as part of their credentialing process.
- Agency and medical directors will need to develop quality assurance reviews specific to these individuals.
- Individuals have to submit a “Conditional” certification or license application.



- There is not a set expiration date for the “Conditional” certification or licenses. These certifications and licenses will expire fourteen (14) days after the Emergency Declaration has been withdrawn or terminated.
- The individuals will need to convert their “Conditional” certifications and licenses to non-conditional certifications and licenses in order to continue to work in Oklahoma on or before the Emergency Declaration ends. This will require a new application, proof of the successful completion of an NREMT psychomotor exam, and the payment of fees.

The Emergency Rules are on this page:

[https://www.ok.gov/health/Protective Health/Emergency Systems/EMS Division/index.html](https://www.ok.gov/health/Protective%20Health/Emergency%20Systems/EMS%20Division/index.html)

The “Conditional” certification or license application is on this page:

[https://www.ok.gov/health/Protective Health/Emergency Systems/EMS Division/EMS Personnel Licensure - Registration - Certification/index.html](https://www.ok.gov/health/Protective%20Health/Emergency%20Systems/EMS%20Division/EMS%20Personnel%20Licensure%20-%20Registration%20-%20Certification/index.html)