



## **CHANGES TO THE BASE STATION POLICY ON CONTINUING EDUCATION**

There will be some changes in requirements and delivery mode for 2015 run reviews.

After a lot of discussion with all the local fire chiefs and agency representatives the groups have devised a plan for that will focus more on hands on training and allow for new options for video conferencing.

We will be scheduling four skills stations each year spread out one a quarter. Each skills station will be between 4-6 hours long and will include various topics such as: code stations, capnography, airways stations and many other possibilities.

The location of these skills labs will be at various locations across the valley with appropriate facilities to host. Each medic will be required to attend one of the scheduled skills stations during the calendar year.

We will only be hosting 4 lecture run reviews in 2015. Those will also be spread out throughout the calendar year. All 4 will be video recorded and loaded on to the EMS website at: <http://verdevalleyems.org/index.html> Each paramedic is required to attend one of these run reviews in person.

Additionally each medic will be required to watch at least 2 of the other videos and submit the required documentation to the Prehospital office.

Agency based run reviews will still be scheduled with each department. You can choose to attend that in lieu of watching one of the video lectures.

### Breakdown of 2015 requirements

- 4 Skills labs will be offered annually. (MUST ATTEND 1 )
- 4 Run reviews will be offered. (MUST ATTEND 1 IN PERSON)
- Run Review videos (MUST WATCH MINIMUM OF 2 AND COMPLETE REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION)
- Agency based – (Can attend in lieu of ONE VIDEO)

We will be trialing this for 2015. Hopefully, this is a more educational and time efficient process for all of the EMS providers.

As 2015 comes to a close we will re-evaluate this process and move forward.

All ALS providers will be required to read the new Base station policy on continuing education.

Attached is an attestation form that will need to be completed by a representative(s) from each agency to ensure that all providers have reviewed the new policy. Please include a roster with each providers initials once reviewed. This is important to insure all providers understand the 2015 requirements.

Thank you

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