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Date: June 12, 2002
To: Agency Training Officers
From: Matt Lawler, CSEMS Training Director
Re: Training Announcements, Training Calendar

Enclosed you will find the training calendar from July, 2002 through December, 2002. Note the following training that is currently scheduled in addition to the normal continuing education. The appropriate training announcements are also enclosed.

- Cardiac Technician Bridge Course
- Cardiac Tech Pretest Prep Class
- Shock Trauma Technician Basic Course
- Regional Preceptor Workshops
- Skills Drill in October

Mailing of the Training Calendars

As I mentioned in January, the training calendar was being mailed to all ALS providers and agencies in the CSEMS region. We found that practice fiscally burdensome. Sending a six-page calendar to approximately 400 recipients cost over \$700. We are now sending the training calendar to the agencies only, which saves over \$500. Providers are encouraged to access the training calendar on the CSEMS Council's web site at www.csems.vaems.org/calendar or make copies from their agency's copy. If neither of these options is possible, contact our office and we will mail a printed version of the calendar to you.

The State Office of EMS has taken a similar stance on the mailing of continuing education reports. They have already started to scale back their mailings, and eventually, you will only receive a printed CE report when you satisfy all your CE hours and are eligible to recertify.

Class Registration

Council staff has been reporting to you, in the first half of this year, that we will begin requiring registration for continuing education and similar classes. The Executive Board has approved this measure in an attempt to prevent Council staff or adjunct instructors from traveling to a remote site for a class and have no one attend the class.

Effective July 1, 2002, all classes, including continuing education, will require registration. You may register on-line at www.csems.vaems.org/register or call 540-886-3676. You must register 24 hours in advance of the class, unless otherwise noted on a training announcement. Classes that have no providers registered will be cancelled.