



Central Shenandoah Emergency Medical Services Council

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Recertification deadline for Shock Trauma and Cardiac Technician levels nears

Virginia providers who wish to recertify their shock trauma or cardiac technician certification must do so no later than December 31, 2005. This includes those who are seeking re-entry as a shock trauma or cardiac technician, as well as those who are being waived from testing by their OMD.

After December 31, 2005 there will no longer be shock trauma or cardiac technician certification tests administered and test waivers will not be permitted at the shock trauma and cardiac technician levels.

If you desire to recertify your shock trauma or cardiac technician certification, you must do so no later than December 31, 2005. This includes any retest opportunities that you may be eligible for, as well as those individuals who are being waived from testing.

TEST WAIVERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005 FOR SHOCK TRAUMA AND CARDIAC TECHNICIANS.

The Central Shenandoah EMS Council will continue to offer Shock Trauma Technician to EMT-Enhanced and Cardiac Technician to EMT-Intermediate transition programs through 2008. Providers who desire to ultimately transition to the new level should ensure their current ALS certification will be valid for a period of time after December 31, 2005 in order to transition to the new level.

A current list of continuing education classes being offered by the Central Shenandoah EMS Council can be found at <http://www.csems.vaems.org/ceclasses/>.

If you have questions concerning this issue please contact the Virginia Office of EMS at 1-800-523-6019 or 804-864-7628 or the Central Shenandoah EMS Council at 540-886-3676.