



## Central Shenandoah Emergency Medical Services Council

2312 West Beverley Street, Staunton, VA 24401 (540) 886-3676 (800) 868-5646 FAX (540) 886-3735  
www.csems.vaems.org Email: csems@vaems.org

### IMPORTANT: PROTOCOL MODIFICATIONS & ADDITIONS

Date: March 16, 2007  
To: Regional Agencies  
From: Matt Lawler, Assistant Director *ml*  
Re: EZ-IO Protocol Modifications

The Medical Control Review Committee moved to include the Shock Trauma and EMT-Enhanced levels as authorized levels to use the EZ-IO<sup>®</sup> Product System. This modification resulted in the following modifications to the protocols.

Vidacare, the manufacturer of the EZ-IO, recently received FDA clearance for distal tibia access. As a result, Procedure 5.14, INTRAOSSEOUS INSERTION, EZ-IO, was modified to include insertion site identification for the distal tibia sites.

Protocol Page	Location	Modification
14	Protocol 2.1: Cardiac Arrest (AED) – Adult	The footnote “Intraosseous access may not be performed by EMT-Enhanced providers” was deleted.
25	Protocol 2.1: Cardiac Arrest (AED) – Adult	The footnote “Intraosseous access may not be performed by EMT-Enhanced providers” was deleted.
57	Protocol 4.13: Obstetrics – Newborn / Neonatal Resuscitation	The footnote “Intraosseous access may not be performed by EMT-Enhanced providers” was deleted.
104	Procedure 5.14: Intraosseous Insertion, EZ-IO	Shock Trauma Technician and EMT-Enhanced were added as permitted users of the EZ-IO.
106	Procedure 5.14: Intraosseous Insertion, EZ-IO	Adult distal tibial insertion and pediatric distal tibial insertion site descriptions were added.