

# Ohio Association of Emergency Medical Services ENEWS

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Included in this issue: Upcoming Conferences; General News: Donations needed.  
and board members contact information, Attachments: PDF Fall registration form

## UPCOMING CONFERENCES

### FALL

October 21-23

Location: Genesis HealthPlex 2800 Maple Ave. Zanesville OH 43017

Friday night: EMA CQI

Saturday Topics:

Hemorrhage Control, Trauma, Pediatrics,

EMS Leadership, Operation Yellow Tape

Sunday Morning: Drum off Stress ( Sounds like fun- I'm in)

### Suggested Hotel:

Quality Inn and suites

Ask for OAEMS discount \$99/ night

500 Monroe St. Zanesville, Oh 43701 740-454-4144

### WINTER

End of January

Anticipated to be in the northern part of district one

Contact Vice President & District 1 Director Matthew Dick if you would like to help

### SPRING

Anticipated to be April

Location: MedFlight Headquarters

2827 West Dublin-Grandville Rd Columbus Ohio 43235

Contact OAEMS President Karen Beavers if you would like to help

### SUMMER

June 19-25

Atrium Medical Center

One Medical Center Dr, Middletown, OH 45005

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## **GENERAL NEWS**

Zoom will now be offered for all conferences. On the website, [oaems.org](http://oaems.org), you can renew your membership, purchase a new membership and purchase conferences both in-person and Zoom.

For Monkey Pox updates and Ohio State Triage updates see [oaems.org](http://oaems.org) News and info page

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

### **National Registry Advanced Life Support Redesign:**

Since the start of the [National Registry's Advanced Life Support \(ALS\) Redesign initiative](#) in 2019, the steady progression of the project involved devoting time to prioritizing examination item development, piloting new item types and formats. It is an important part of the National Registry's mission to deliver an ALS examination that is psychometrically sound and reliable. The development of all examination items, including the new performance component scenarios, undergo substantial research, refinement, internal expert staff review, and external Subject Matter Expert (SME) panel review, as well as piloting. The piloted and approved new performance items will measure clinical judgment, leadership, and communication whereas the cognitive items that we all know from our current ALS examinations, will measure the same domains as they do today.

In addition to the many requirements and guidelines the National Registry follows, the *Standards for Educational and Psychological Testing* and NCCA guidelines must also be met for us to officially launch the new ALS examination. As many are aware, a large part of launching the new ALS examination includes sunsetting or ending our ALS psychomotor examination. We have spent months collecting information and feedback about the timing and impact of sunsetting the psychomotor examination as well as launching the new ALS examination. These conversations have progressively influenced the need to update the timeline of the ALS Redesign to balance the needs of the EMS community, the certification industry, and the National Registry.

We are eager to share this timeline and encourage you to provide input about it. The proposed timeline is as follows and can be subject to change with data and additional feedback:

- September 2022: Begin testing performance items
- July 2024: Launch new ALS examination
- July 2024: Start phasing out the psychomotor examination
- June 2025: End of psychomotor examination

The timeline proposal has been a working collaboration with stakeholders, programs, clinicians, and the EMS community – as you are central to this project, and we want to allow enough time to prepare and adapt to the changes. Our Stakeholder Partnerships team will continue to provide support and keep an open line of communication about future updates and important information. These updates to the ALS Redesign timeline are exciting to have, but as always, the goal of the project remains a driving force: to protect the public and align more closely with the needs of the EMS community and best practices in the certification industry.

As mentioned above, the National Registry will begin testing new scenario-based performance items that will supplement existing cognitive examination items. The new scenario-based performance items will provide an authentic testing experience by emulating practice within the field. The items will measure a clinician's clinical judgment, or clinical reasoning and decision-making to ensure competent practice.

If you are interested in experiencing the new scenario-based performance items, we've created a sample examination to demonstrate the new scenario-based performance items for you to interact with, share and use here: <http://nremt-scenariodemo.startpractice.com>

Please reach out if you have questions, or you can find more information by visiting the National Registry's ALS Redesign webpage: <https://www.nremt.org/Document/ALS-Redesign>

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