



MEDICAL CONTROL DIRECTIVE 2022-11

DATE: June 23, 2022

TO: Pinellas County EMS Agencies
Pinellas County Emergency Communications
Pinellas County Certified EMTs and Paramedics
Pinellas County Certified Advanced Practice Paramedics, Nurses
Pinellas County Online Medical Control Physicians
Pinellas County Ambulance Billing and Financial Services
ED Nurse Managers

FROM: Dr. Donna Dooley, EMS Associate Medical Director

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RE: 2022 EPC Recertification Process for Paramedics and Nurses

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 23 , 2022

EPC Pre-course Test

- The EPC Pre-course test is accessed in Target Solutions as May's CME. The student's name and score MUST be on the certificate to attend the class.
- A minimum passing score of 84% is required for the pre-course assessment.
- You must complete the pre-course test prior to attending your face-to-face testing date.
- You must bring a paper copy of your pre-course self-assessment results to your testing class (no cell phone pictures/screenshots allowed).

EPC Face-to-Face Training

- All system Paramedics and RNs are required to successfully complete an 8-hour PCEMS taught EPC Refresher class as required CME.
- Any Paramedic or Nurse who does not attend and successfully complete this refresher class prior to October 6, 2022 will be required to attend a full 16-hour PCEMS taught EPC Provider class in October 2022 and may be subject to Clinical Restriction pending completion.

Remediation Opportunities:

- In the event a student is unsuccessful on either the written or practical, they will be allowed to retest the failed component 1 time on the initial day.
- Instructors will review the written or practical test deficiencies with the student prior to a retest.

- If the student is unsuccessful at two total combined attempts (i.e. two written tests, one written and one practical, or two practical's), they will be required to attend the 16-hour initial course.
- System clinicians who do not successfully complete PCEMS EPC Training by October 31, 2022 may be subject to Clinical Suspension due to not completing the CME.