

Central East Prehospital Care Program

TO: All Primary Care Region of Durham Paramedics

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RE: ALS-PCS version 3.3 and Opioid Toxicity Medical Directive

As of **February 1st, 2016**, all current full and primary part-time Primary Care (PCP) Region of Durham paramedics should have completed the Fall 2015 CME that introduced the Opioid Toxicity Medical Directive. For those that have completed the CME, you are now authorized to apply this medical directive while in the employ of Region of Durham Paramedic Service.

This directive is now live.

PCP staff that have not attended the Fall 2015 CME are not endorsed to utilize the Opioid Toxicity Medical Directive. Authorization to use the directive will only occur once the current CME is successfully completed, either at a return to work or at a CME held by one of our other services.

PCP staff that work in one of our other services will not implement the Opioid Toxicity Medical Directive while in the employ of that service until the completion of that service's CME (and the medication is available for use). Please watch for further communications.

Please contact our office should you have additional questions or concerns.