

^{ge} Central East Prehospital Care Program

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Paramedics

FROM: Dr P. Moran Chair, Medical Advisory Board CEPCP

DATE: 2018 04 23

RE: ALS PCS 4.5

Effective May 1^{st} , 2018, ALS PCS version 4.5 goes live and replaces the current version.

While there are a number of minor edits and updates to the document, the **ONLY** changes to the directives or the medicine at this time is (1) in the document preamble on page 8 and clearly articulates that a medication dose "will be rounded to the closest dose that can be accurately measured" and (2) in the indications of the Combative Patient Medical Directive on page 141, and it has been changed from "Combative patient" to "Combative or violent or agitated behavior that requires sedation for patient safety".

You will notice that there are **new** Auxiliary Analgesia Medical Directives for both PCP and ACP, but they will **NOT** go live until after the CEPCP Fall CME training is successfully completed. Likewise, Ketamine has been added to the treatments in the Combative Patient Medical Directive, but will **NOT** be authorized for use until the CEPCP Fall CME training is successfully completed. An updated letter of authorization at that time will guide your practice.

Lastly, the Emergency Tracheostomy Reinsertion Medical Directive is now included in the Auxiliary Medical Directives (no longer a "Local" Medical Directive) and continues to be authorized to all Paramedics in CEPCP.

Your pocketbook continues to be an accurate reflection of the current content of ALS PCS 4.5 (except for the changes noted above). In the fall we will provide pocketbook updates to reflect the changes applicable at that time.

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