PUBLIC NOTICE #3

This notice is given by Clay Stamp, Chairman of the Emergency Medical Services Board and Dr. Theodore Delbridge, Executive Director of the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS), acting pursuant to the Proclamation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. (the "Governor") dated March 5, 2020 proclaiming a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency related to COVID-19, as it may be amended or renewed from time to time, and the Order of the Governor dated March 19, 2020 entitled "Augmenting the Emergency Medical Services Workforce", as it may be amended from time to time, after finding that the action(s) described herein will not endanger the public health, welfare, or safety, and further that these actions will augment the emergency medical services workforce; and improve the response to the state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency.

1) Commercial Ambulance Crew Configuration: COMAR 30.09.04.08B is modified to the extent that the MIEMSS State Office of Commercial Ambulance Licensing and Regulation (SOCALR) may waive any personnel requirements under COMAR 30.09.07 for a licensed commercial ambulance service based inside of Maryland, as well as outside of Maryland, which demonstrates to the satisfaction of SOCALR, with the concurrence of the State EMS Medical Director, that the personnel offered by the commercial ambulance service are adequate to care for the patients’ needs under exigent circumstances.

2) Commercial Ambulance Licensing: The EMS Board and MIEMSS are suspending the requirements of COMAR 30.09.04.05 for vehicles that are owned and operated by a Maryland licensed commercial ambulance service, and are currently licensed to provide ambulance services in another state, for which SOCALR shall issue a provisional license which shall be valid from the date of issue until 30 days after the state of emergency has been terminated and the proclamation of the catastrophic health emergency has been rescinded.

Any effect of Education Article Section 13-515 and the implementing regulations in COMAR 30.09 that is inconsistent with the foregoing is temporarily suspended.

This Notice is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until the state of emergency has been terminated and the proclamation of the catastrophic health emergency has been rescinded.

April 7, 2020

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