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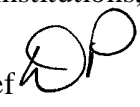
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MEMORANDUM

TO: EMS Educational Institutions, Program Coordinators & Instructors

FROM: Drexdal Pratt, Chief 
North Carolina Office of Emergency Medical Services

SUBJECT: Approved Candidate Identification for Credentialing Examinations

DATE: December 5, 2008

The North Carolina Office of Emergency Medical Services (NCOEMS) has established new guidelines regarding acceptable photo identification for candidates sitting for the state EMS credentialing examination. For security purposes, all candidates sitting for any level of EMS credentialing examination will now be required to present official photo identification at check-in.

Official Identification Includes:	Identification that will not be accepted:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State issued Driver License • State issued Identification Card • U.S. government-issued Military Identification Card • Passport • U.S. Alien Registration Card 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire/EMS/Rescue Squad ID Card • College Identification • Credit Card • Social Security Card (w/o Photo ID) • Birth Certificate

The name on the photo identification must match the name on the CIS examination roster. If the name is different, the candidate must bring proof of the name change (a copy of an official government-issued document such as a marriage license or divorce decree) to the examination site. Candidates failing to present proper identification will not be allowed to sit for the credentialing examination. Photocopies of official identification will not be accepted.



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The new identification policy will go into effect on January 1, 2009. To help ensure that we effectively distribute this information to candidates, we will send out periodic reminders prior to scheduled examinations in 2009. However, we will also heavily rely on our EMS Educational Institutions, Program Coordinators, and Instructors to help us disseminate this important information to our candidates.

If you have any question regarding this policy, please feel free to contact Barbara Chorney, Education and Credentialing Manager at Barbara.Chorney@ncmail.net or at 919/855-3949. In advance, we thank you for your assistance and support.

PLEASE DISTRIBUTE THIS INFORMATION ACCORDINGLY

cc: OEMS Staff