

To: All EMS Providers and Agencies

From: Michael O'Brien, MD – Chairman, WREMAC

Re: NYS BLS and Collaborative ALS Protocol Updates

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The WREMAC is pleased that the updated New York State BLS protocols have been released. Likewise, the ALS Collaborative Protocols have been updated and released.

The WREMAC is currently reviewing the educational material accompanying the changes for both sets of protocols and will introduce guidance on the minimum regional training and education standards.

Therefore, the timeline and guidance for rolling out the new BLS and ALS protocols is as follows:

1. The WREMAC expects to release regional training and education standards for the BLS and ALS protocol roll outs in the next two months.
2. Until such time when the training and education standards have been rolled out by the WREMAC, no WREMAC agency may utilize the new BLS or ALS protocols.
3. Once the education standards are released, agencies will have at least 60 days to meet these standards and, upon complying with the standards, will then be permitted to use the new BLS and ALS protocols.

Should you have any questions, please contact your region's EMS Program Agency.