



MEMORANDUM

To: Western New York EMS Providers & Medical Directors

From: Michael O'Brien, MD, FACEP
Chairman, Western Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee

Date: March 16, 2020

Re: Ancillary Certification Expiration (ITLS/PHTLS, ACLS, PALS, CPR/BLS)

Many providers within the region possess ancillary certification cards (ITLS/PHTLS, ACLS, BLS/CPR, PALS) required by the Provider Privileges & CME policy set to expire on March 30th or April 30th. In an effort to limit the transmission of the novel coronavirus/COVID-19, **the WREMAC will consider valid any such completion cards with an expiration (or recommended renewal) date of March 31st or April 30th until at least May 31st.** This date may be extended as circumstances evolve.

No provider shall be considered out-of-compliance with policy #2013-1 (Provider Privileges and Continuing Medical Education) if their ancillary course cards expire between 3/31/2020 and 5/31/2020.