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To: Contra Costa Fire Agencies

From: Bruce Kenagy, Prehospital Care Coordinator

RE: Revised Required Minimum Equipment Lists

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The revised Minimum Equipment List for first responder units is now available on our website at [www.cccems.org/documents](http://www.cccems.org/documents). This list will go into effect on July 1, 2016. Inspections completed after that date will use the new standards.

In addition to clarifying requirements for several items, the following were either added or removed from the first responder equipment list:

**Added items:**

- Chest Seal (e.g., Asherman, Halo, Sam) to replace petroleum gauze
- End Tidal CO2 monitoring equipment – nasal cannula
- End Tidal CO2 monitoring equipment – in-line airway
- Metronome (for CPR)
- Chlorhexidine wipes (may be included in IV start paks)

**Deleted items (these items may still be carried, but are no longer required):**

- Simple oxygen mask (pediatric/infant)
- Vaseline gauze
- End Tidal CO2 detector (colorimetric)
- Secured drug box

**Changed quantities for existing items:**

- Band-aids – reduced to 10
- 4x4 non-sterile compresses – increased to 50
- 4x4 sterile gauze pads – increase to 12
- 3" rolled bandage – decreased to 4
- 40" triangular bandage – decreased to 2
- Cold packs – decreased to 6
- Glucose paste – decreased to 1

Thank you.

