IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2008 RENEWAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT (CE) FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-PARAMEDIC

(CERTIFIED PRIOR TO 2/1/06)

CERTIFICATION RENEWAL

Certificates expire on January 31, 2008 unless renewed. In order to renew, EMT-Ps must meet the continuing education (CE) requirement established by law.

RANDOM AUDIT

In order to determine whether the CE requirement has been met, the Board conducts a random audit.

As a result, EMT-Ps do <u>NOT</u> need to submit documentation of CE <u>unless they are being</u> <u>audited</u>. Those who are being audited will receive a memo in October 2007. Because they are expected to submit CE documentation with their renewal, they will not be able to renew online.

CE REQUIREMENT

The CE requirement may be met by having a **current certificate** from the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT).

If you do **not have a current NREMT certificate**, you will need to meet the entire CE requirement as contained in section 16-85-55(b)(2) **between 2/1/06 - 1/31/08**.

SECTION 16-85-55(b)(2)

Section 16-85-55(b)(2) requires EMT-Ps to:

- Complete 48 hours of paramedic refresher training, which shall include advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) certification or training determined to be equivalent by the medical director;
- Be currently certified in CPR; and
- Complete 24 hours of additional CE in any of the following:
 - > Standards and policies of the emergency medical services system;
 - Human systems and detailed patient assessment;
 - > Respiratory emergencies;
 - Cardiovascular emergencies;
 - Neurological emergencies;
 - Musculoskeletal emergencies;
 - > Obstetrical and gynecological emergencies;
 - Neonatal and pediatric emergencies;
 - > Medical emergencies;
 - > Trauma:
 - Shock and fluid therapy;
 - > Behavioral disorders;

- Extrication and rescue techniques;
 Communication with base station and physicians; and
 Pharmocology.