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MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 6, 2020

TO: Mac Warner
Secretary of State

FROM: Bill J. Crouch, Cabinet Secretary *BJC*
Department of Health and Human Resources

RE: **Adequate provision of emergency medical services to the residents of West Virginia - W. Va. C.S.R. § 64-48**

The Bureau for Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Resources requests that W. Va. C.S.R. §64-48 be temporarily suspended in part effective immediately pursuant to W. Va. Code §15-5-6(c)(7) and the State of Emergency declared by Governor Justice on March 16, 2020.

W. Va. C.S.R. §64-48 establishes and sets forth the requirements for providing emergency medical services to West Virginia residents. Strict compliance with the following will hinder and delay necessary action in coping with the emergency declared by the Governor:

W. Va. C.S.R. §64-48.6.7.1.e - The requirement that Emergency Vehicle Operators successfully complete hazardous materials awareness training meeting Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 1910.120 requirements or greater;

W. Va. C.S.R. §64-48.6.7.1.f - The requirement that Emergency Vehicle Operators successfully complete first aid training meeting United States Department of Labor, OSHA 1910.266, appendix B, requirements or greater; and

W. Va. C.S.R. §64-48.6.7.1.k - The requirement that Emergency Vehicle Operators successfully complete an emergency vehicle operator course approved by the Commissioner.

If granted, the Bureau for Public Health further requests that the rule be suspended as described above until such time as the State of Emergency is lifted.