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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Specific Agency and Director/Contact

From: Alonzo W. Smith, Director

Date: June 29, 2009

RE: SC EMS Electronic Data Submission Alert

The Department began encouraging all agencies to begin enrollment and submission of electronic data into the SC EMS Data System in January of 2009. However, according to our records and our implementation contractor, the EMSPIC, your Agency has not progressed and may be in jeopardy of not meeting the required deadline for electronic submission by December 31, 2009. Many of your peers have taken the approach to adopt early to ensure that a smooth transition occurs from manual to electronic submission. A web-site (www.scemsdata.org) has been created, specifically for this project, which is an excellent resource to connect your peers and information to aide you in this transition.

In a previous memo issued March 26, 2009, I outlined several items that directly impact your operation:

1. Beginning January 1, 2010, the Department will not accept or provide paper run reports.
2. Licensed transporting EMS Agencies not submitting electronic patient report data after December 31, 2009 will be deemed in non-compliance with Regulation 61-7, Section 1302.A and the Department will initiate appropriate action which may include a monetary penalty.

Within a week of receipt of this memo, please contact Ms. Jennifer Paddock in our office at (803) 545-4569, so that we can be of immediate assistance in helping you with this transition.

Cc: EMS Regional Administrator