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Beyond Lights and Sirens

Fond Farewell to MIKE GLENN

Mike Glenn, the Division of EMS Assistant Administrator, has accepted a civilian position with the U.S. Army as the Director of Trauma Informatics for the Joint Theater Trauma System in Europe. He will be working at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany. Mike left for Germany on February 2nd. Mike was an invaluable part of the Division of EMS team and provided excellent leadership on numerous projects over the last six years beginning with helping establish the statewide Trauma System.



New Online Certification Renewal Expedites First Responders' Ability to Practice in the Field

Emergency personnel can access, renew and confirm their certification with the Ohio Division of Emergency Medical Services' new online certification renewal service.

Our new service expedites certification because everything is done in real time. The applicant can pull the application online, submit the completed application and receive an instant confirmation.

The service comes after the Division received recommendations in 1999 on processing applications in a timely manner. Since then, improvements were made and certifications that once took more than a week to process, now take four days.

It will cut time dramatically and also work with federal credentialing due to applicants receiving proof of renewal instantaneously. It increases the level of the EMS work pool as it relates to emergency preparedness and homeland security efforts.

The service can be accessed from the Division of EMS Web site at www.ems.ohio.gov at any time. Renewal applications can be processed up until midnight of the applicant's certification expiration date.

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Ohio University-Chillicothe Offers New EMS Training

Ohio University-Chillicothe offers students a new option for emergency medical services training. Students will be able to alternate between two and three classes a week and will complete the course by taking exams to become certified in Ohio and through the National Registry in Emergency Medical Services.

A new two-year health technologies degree will also be offered.

Ohio University-Chillicothe Associate Dean Michael Lafreniere believes the addition of the courses offer more access and diversity to training as well as moving first responders one step closer to emergency preparedness.

The university is partnering with Adena Regional Medical Center and the Chillicothe Fire Department offering students first-hand experience.

The state approved curriculum of 185 hours for the university's EMS certification will surpass the state minimum of 130 hours of instruction, giving students more useful training in the field.

Learn more about the new EMS training program at <http://oucweb.chillicothe.ohiou.edu/>.

EMS Profiler...up close and personal

Carol A. Cunningham, M.D., FACEP, FAAEM

Job Title: State Medical Director, Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS; EMS Medical Director, Lake Hospital System.

Education: Graduate of Maple Heights High School, 1978; B.A., Case Western Reserve University, 1982; M.D., University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, 1986; Emergency Medicine Residency, University of Cincinnati, 1990; Board Certified by the American Board of Emergency Medicine, 1991.

Current Job Responsibilities: Provide patient care in the emergency departments at Lake Hospital System, provide medical direction and EMS protocols at the state level



and the local level in and near Lake County, serve as a liaison between the state of Ohio and the federal and local EMS agencies and partners, and serve as a board examiner for the American Board of Emergency Medicine.

Previous Work: Worked as a flight physician, house physician, clinical researcher, musician, and disc jockey at various places.

How would you define excellence in service? Building a legacy of positive changes in the system that will reap positive benefits to the public past the length of a lifetime. I also try to adhere to my personal mantra, "Never rest your laurels at the feet of mediocrity."



State EMS Board Requesting Participation in Public Hearings

The State EMS Board encourages all individuals to attend its public hearings concerning proposed rule changes.

They are interested in hearing both positive and negative comments regarding proposed rule changes.

Feedback is crucial in helping the Board understand how the rules are viewed by the EMS community and how changes may impact the field.

National EMS Week 2007 May 20-26 Seeking Local Hero Stories

The Division of Emergency Medical Services wants to share stories your agency may have that demonstrate the new theme "EMS: Extraordinary People, Extraordinary Service". Please contact China Dodley at 614-466-2551 or via email at: clodley@dps.state.oh.us.



Disciplinary Actions

November 2006

Shannon Brown, EMS Applicant 146818

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Aggravated Menacing, Obstructing Official Business and Criminal Trespass and felony conviction for Receiving Stolen Property.

Sanction: Grant an EMT-Basic certificate to practice with the condition that Ms. Brown submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation and Civilian Background Check, at her expense, showing no further criminal convictions, with said background check to be submitted yearly for period of 5 years, the first BCI&I check must be submitted within 120 days of journalization date of order. If any further convictions that were not disclosed during the EMS investigations are indicated on BCI check, this will be deemed a violation of this order and further disciplinary action may be taken by the board.

Keith T. Whitnight, EMS Certificate Number 15053

Violation: Felony convictions for Breaking and Entering, a fifth degree felony, Theft, a fifth degree felony and misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction for Criminal Damaging.

Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Colleen M. Mazur, EMS Certificate Number 12996

Violations: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice. Failure to respond to an audit, and failure to accurately document the continuing education requirements to satisfy the renewal requirement for a certificate to practice

Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Tracey E. Rose, EMS Certificate Number 72143

Violation: Random Audit Issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Charles M. Eldred, EMS Certificate Number 25158

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Assault and Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/renewal and accept anger management course previously attended.

Josh Bennett, EMS Applicant Number 150531

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Domestic Violence and Passing Bad Checks.

Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance, and must complete anger management course within nine months.

Philip H. Berner, EMS Certificate Number 18853

Violation: Complaint audit issues

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

John D. Duffy, EMS Certificate Number 115920

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Aggravated Menacing and Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice.

Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance.

Dana G. Densmore, Jr. EMS Applicant Number 120591

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Menacing (two counts), Disorderly Conduct, and Telephone Harassment.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal.

Leslie C. Thornburg, EMS Certificate Number 102414

Violation: Misrepresentation of credentials

Sanction: Written reprimand

Paul M. Komandt, EMS Applicant Number 127720

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Failure to stop after accident, Criminal Damaging and Disorderly Conduct.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must successfully complete a drug/alcohol treatment program, Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal.

April M. Mason, EMS Applicant Number 161428

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Receiving Stolen Property (two counts).

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal.

Jeffrey T. Davis, EMS Certificate Number 120534

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Petty Theft.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days.

Lamont M. Boyd, EMS Applicant Number 163255

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Assault.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance.

Benjamin S. Buczak, EMS Certificate Number 91974

Violation: Committed fraud or deception in obtaining certificate to practice.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days.

Kevin J. Clark, EMS Applicant Number 162676

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Domestic Violence and Receiving Stolen Property.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance, and another at renewal.

Rodney L. Biggert, EMS Certificate Number 14325

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Stacie L. Beardsley, EMS Certificate Number 97366

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Bill C. Morgan, EMS Certificate Number 107841

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Richard E. Reagan, EMS Applicant Number 162674

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Aggravated Menacing.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days/prior to issuance.

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2007 Newly Appointed Board Members

State Board of Emergency Medical Services: Mark Resanovich, from Uniontown; Carl Jordan, from Massillon; Mark Marchetta, from Akron; Jonathan Groner, from Bexley; Daryl McNutt, from Whitehouse; Pamela Bradshaw, from Wheelersburg and Michael Senter, from Lucas for terms ending November 12, 2009.

The Board shall prepare a plan for the statewide regulation of emergency medical services during times of disaster. It will establish an emergency medical services grant program to improve the availability, accessibility and quality of EMS services within the state. Members are compensated for their expenses only.



Disciplinary Actions

January 2007

William H. Longworth, EMS Certificate Number 64930

Violations: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew.

Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250.00 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Jason D. Anglemeyer, EMS Certificate Number 66551

Violations: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew.

Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice.

Kathleen L. Thompson, EMS Certificate Number 100987

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Dale W. Arbaugh, EMS Certificate Number 67115

Violations: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew.

Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250.00 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Deborah K. Proctor, EMS Certificate Number 119723

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Jennifer M. Garnder, EMS Certificate Number 83177

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Bryan S. Brumagen, EMS Certificate Number 121770

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

John D. Edwards, EMS Certificate Number 73737

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Passing Bad Checks.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days.

Richard R. Gehlbach, EMS Case Number 120463

Violation: Misdemeanor conviction for Abusive Sexual Contact.

Sanction: Permanent Revocation of EMT certificate to practice.

Stephen M. Romstadt, EMS Certificate Number 68762

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Assault.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days.

Mary Lou Brasee, EMS Certificate Number 106999

Violation: Random Audit Issues.

Sanction: Written reprimand, must complete continuing education requirements and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Maria E. Garcia, EMS Certificate Number 121507

Violations: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew.

Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250.00 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

Michael D. Dressell, EMS Certificate Number 24433

Violations: Committed fraud or deception in applying for or securing an EMT certificate to practice and failure to complete the continuing education requirements to renew.

Sanction: Written reprimand, \$250.00 disciplinary fine, must complete the continuing education requirements, and must supply documentation of continuing education with next renewal application.

December 2006

Richard L. Dunlap, EMS Certificate Number 118012

Violation: Felony convictions for Arson (2 counts)

Sanction: Permanent Revocation of certificate to practice

Ernest S. Messer, EMS Certificate Number 76162

Violations: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Public Indecency
Sanction: Revocation of certificate to practice

Barbara A. Weddington, EMS Certificate Number 101484

Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice

Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Thomas P. Daugherty, III, EMS Certificate Number 118396

Violation: Committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice

Sanction: Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Christopher J. Dalton, EMS Applicant Number 155333

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Attempted Aggravated Possession of Drugs a first degree misdemeanor, and Disorderly Conduct

Sanction: Denial of application for a certificate to practice as an EMT

Raymond L. Nichols, EMS Certificate Number 8309

Violation: Misdemeanor in the course of practice, Assault

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/another at renewal, and must complete an anger management course within nine months

Brian D. Goodman, EMS Certificate Number 110097

Violation: Felony convictions, Attempted Sexual Battery and Attempted Abduction

Sanction: Permanent Revocation of EMT certificate to practice

Ronald J. Askew, EMS Certificate Number 69239

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude convictions, Criminal Damaging and Disorderly Conduct

Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days

David L. Cook, EMS Applicant Number 162808

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude conviction, Domestic Violence

Sanction: Written reprimand and must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background Check within 120 days/prior to issuance

February 2007

Odell E. Johnson, EMS Certificate Number 27670

Violation: *****

Sanction: Written reprimand, revocation of certificate to practice, stayed pending compliance with the following: must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days and another in three years.

LeAnn Mann, EMS Certificate Number 107740

Violation: Misdemeanor involving moral turpitude, Attempted Theft

Sanction: Written reprimand, must submit a Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation Civilian Background within 120 days and another in three years.

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