

**Mountain Lakes Regional EMS Council
Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee (REMAC)**

REMAC Advisory Number: 02-2019

Date: June 17, 2019

Re: Agency Advanced Life Support (ALS) Operating Authority Application Process

Purpose: To eliminate redundancies in paperwork and streamline the process in which an ALS agency applies for or renews their REMAC-granted ALS Operating Authority.

Background: Currently, ALS agencies are required to renew their ALS Operating Authority by completing a regionally approved application. The majority of these Regional authorities expire at or around the same time as their New York State Department of Health Bureau of EMS (NYS DOH BEMS) Ambulance Operating Authority, which can cause agency leaders to unnecessarily repeat paperwork and processes.

Advisory: Effective June 17, 2019 all current Mountain Lakes ALS agencies will be granted an expiration of their ALS Operating Authority that matches their NYS DOH BEMS Ambulance Operating Authority expiration. Upon completion of their NYS DOH BEMS Ambulance Operating Authority renewal application, agencies must submit a copy of all related documents to the Mountain Lakes office. These documents and a few others will be used to help determine ALS Operating Authority renewal at the next REMAC meeting.

This new process will take effect immediately. Notices and instructions will be sent to agencies as needed, new letters of authorization will be sent in the near future and the Mountain Lakes website will be updated soon.

Those agencies seeking first-time approval may submit their latest NYS DOH BEMS Ambulance Operating Certification Application and other required documents as outlined on the Mountain Lakes website.

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