



September 19, 2011

Greetings Fellow Responders!

I hope you all had a wonderful summer, and with warmer thoughts still in mind, our focus now turns to the fall and setting up for next year's training.

A few months ago, we emailed out an education survey to get your feedback on the 2011 training program (so far), and what you'd like to see offered for next year. Well, you answered with a resounding demand for more hands on training. I hope you find our 2012 offerings as an answer to your request.

A couple of notes when scheduling your classes this year:

1. Please keep in mind that each class is designed for a 1 hour presentation (unless otherwise noted). If you would like to cover more than 1 class in a training night, please plan accordingly. You can check with SCEMS to see if a condensed version of a class is offered.
2. If you would like a class that you don't see offered, let us know and we'll be more than happy to accommodate your request.
3. Take advantage of all the training you'd like....it is provided at no cost to you or your service!
4. All schedule requests are due by December 3, 2011.
5. Schedules can be submitted by:
 - a. Fax (507) 257-3375
 - b. Email: griffithm@hickorytech.net
 - c. Mail: 102 Industrial Drive, PO Box 218, Eagle Lake, MN 56024

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding classes or scheduling. As always, it's an honor to serve you!

Sincerely,

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Class Descriptions

- 1. Bleeding, Shock, and Tourniquets-** (*Required for Dr. Wilcox agencies*): A review of the BLS guidelines for dealing with hypovolemic patients. This course is mix of lecture and “hands on” and will reacquaint responders with the do’s and don’ts of controlling bleeding. *Length: 1 hour*
- 2. Bloodborne Pathogens-** (*Required for all services*): Protecting yourself is the number one job you have in the field. This interactive course acquaints the students with modes of transmission, types of diseases, and preventative measures. The history of Right-to-know, as well as review of the Emergency Response Guidebook is included. *Length: 45 minutes*
- 3. Cardiac Arrest Management-** (*Required for all services*): A review of the current BLS guidelines regarding CPR, AED, and advanced airways. *Length: 1 hour*
- 4. Case Studies 1: Talking the Talk-** A common thread among EMS personnel is the willingness to learn from our mistakes. We’ll walk you through medical calls in which things are sometimes as clear as mud, and give you an opportunity to weigh in on what you may have done differently. This course is a prerequisite to Case Studies 2. *Length: 1 hour*
- 5. Case Studies 2: Walking the Walk-** (Prerequisite: Case Studies 1)
In Case Studies 1, you had a chance to dissect the mistakes of our counterparts. In Case Studies 2 you’ll find yourself in the middle of those same calls, participating in mock runs that will test your ability to ensure a different outcome. Students will run a call starting with the initial dispatch thru patient turnover, with all of the fixins between. *Length: 2 hours*
Special Requirement: Off-site mock run scenes are preferable (i.e. private homes, parks, trails, etc.) SCMNEMS will provide 2-way radios for use during the runs, and can provide moulage, props, and other support in setting up the event.

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6. **Documentation-** As with everything else in EMS, nothing's done until the paperwork is complete. We'll look at some common pitfalls and demonstrate the team approach to successful run reports. *Length: 1 hour*
7. **Drug Variance-** *(Required for all services administering drugs):* This interactive review of BLS drug variances (including oxygen) is designed to keep responders current as well as keep them aware of the side effects and contraindications of drug administration. *Length: 1 hour*
8. **EMS Driving-Classroom-** One of the most dangerous aspects of EMS involves vehicle operations. Ensuring that the driver is prepared to react to hazards (expected and unexpected) goes a long way towards a successful call. *Length: 1 hour*
9. **EMS Driving-Road Course-** "Behind the wheel" training is the best way for personnel to become familiar with the characteristics of their equipment. This road course tests drivers in utilizing help, turning, backing up, parallel parking, and judging distances. *Length: 2 hours* **Special Requirement: Large lot and/or city street in which to conduct the course.**
10. **It's a bird, it's a plane...oh no! Aviation safety and EMS-** The sky may not be falling, but occasionally things do arrive from above unexpectedly. We'll walk you through the aviation basics, and what to do if the unexpected happens. *Length: 1 hour* **Note: If your town has an airport, it may be possible to bring an aircraft in for this training (weather permitting). However, an airport is not required for this training session.**
11. **Understanding NIMS-** We all had to do the 100, 200, and 700 training, but how many of us really know what it's all about? We'll explain the concept behind NIMS and ICS, and show you its benefit, and give you some hands-on experience in creating a command structure. *Length: 1 hour*
12. **Understanding NIMS Part 2: This Time It's Personal-** You know the basics of command structure and the accountability it can provide; now it's time to push your comfort zone out. We'll give you 40 minutes to fully inventory, clean, and (if necessary) restock your response rig. And yes, we'll throw in a few surprises along the way to keep things interesting. *Length: 1 hour*

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13. Through The Eyes of a Patient- For many of our patients, a 911 call is something they remember for years, and their experience can make or break a service's reputation. *Length: 1 hour*

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14. Truth or Dare: The EMS Version- Our take on the classic elementary school game. If you draw "truth", you'll have to answer an EMS related question. Get it wrong and you're off to the "dare" side of the house to try your hand at a certain skill. (Hint: everyone eventually gets a "dare"). Just be glad we didn't go with "Spin the Bottle" *Length: 1 hour*

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15. Critical Incident Stress Management: Serving Those Who Serve

EMS personnel are known for their willingness to give all on every call for help, but what happens when their "all" cuts a little deeper than what they expected. This course will give an overview of the South Central Regional CISM Program, review some of the "silent" hazards of our trade (such as PTSD), and provide participants with resources to assist them in managing stress that sometimes comes with our line of work. *Length: 1 hour*

In addition to the classes listed above, SCMNEMS will host 3 mini-conferences within the region in 2012. Watch for the locations and dates!



2012 Class Schedule

Agency Information

Agency Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone Number (Day) _____
 (Evenings) _____

Email: _____

Month	Class	Date	Time
January			
February			
March			
April			
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November			
December			

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