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## MEMORANDUM

TO: EMS System Coordinators

FROM: Walter J. Bradley, MD, MBA, FACEP  
Senior Medical Administrator  
Office of Preparedness and Response

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Sam Gaines, MD, FACEP  
Medical Director  
Office of Preparedness and Response

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Cheryl J. Miles, MA  
Acting Division Chief  
Division of EMS & Highway Safety

DATE: January 30, 2008

RE: **EMT Testing Waiver Requests**

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The EMT testing waiver process was put in place in January of 2007 and was intended to be for a limited time. (Please refer to the memo of January 10, 2007.) At the September EMS Advisory Council meeting it was announced that after the end of the year, the Department would no longer approve waivers of Section 515.530 (f) of the EMS and Trauma Center Code which states "When a candidate elects to take the State examination or the National Registry's examination, the candidate must pass that particular testing procedure. A candidate will not be allowed to take the alternate examination after failure to achieve a passing grade."

From this date forward, we will no longer approve requests for candidates to crossover from the State examination to National Registry or vice versa.

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional EMS Coordinator.

c: Regional EMS Coordinators  
Darlene Thorpe, EMT Testing Coordinator  
EMS Advisory Council  
Administrator, Continental Testing Services