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**To:** In Field Upgrade Agencies and ALS Agencies  
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**Subject:** ALS In-Field upgrade equipment and Video Laryngoscope

Agencies,

As of **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020**, all in-field upgrade will be required to have a system approved medication pump. This is to meet the requirements laid out in the *In-Field Service Level Upgrade Policy* which requires services to have the same equipment as a full time ALS ambulance. This is a clarification based on confusion on whether in field upgrade agencies need a pump or not. You are required only one pump per ALS unit. We are allowing flexibility in time due to financial constraints and considerations. The system is requiring this based on future protocol changes that require the utilization of a pump device for proper administration of medications.

Additionally, when the updated adult protocols are introduced in mid-late 2019, in order to use the new drug assisted intubation protocol, a video laryngoscope device will be required. You currently *do not* need a video system to utilize the most current protocols. We recommend agencies begin planning for utilization of these devices.

This applies to ALS transport units and ALS intercept units. If you have additional questions, please contact the EMS office.

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