To: EMS Clinicians
   Highest Jurisdictional Officials
   Medical Directors

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RE: COVID-19 Updates

Please find a few brief COVID-19 updates below, which address recent questions raised on our weekly webinars.

- An EMS clinician who has traveled outside of Maryland within the past 14 days is not required to self-quarantine on the basis of travel alone. Please consult the MIEMSS infectious diseases website: http://www.miemss.org/home/infectious-diseases for further information on this topic.

- Patients under investigation (PUIs) for COVID-19 may be transported to the closest appropriate freestanding emergency medical facility (FEMF) or closest hospital-based emergency department per the Maryland Medical Protocols for EMS. The previous guidance which advised against transport of PUI patients to FEMFs has been rescinded.

Thank you for your continued dedication to caring for patients during the current pandemic.