

# GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY # OEMS-PRO-2022-001 CONGENITAL ADRENAL HYPERPLASIA TRAINING POLICY

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# 1.0 PURPOSE

The intent of this policy is to establish guidelines for Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia training for EMS personnel. This education is mandatory pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 31-11-55.2 (C)(1).

#### 2.0 AUTHORITY

The Georgia Department of Public Health, Office of EMS and Trauma (Department), Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia Training Policy is published under the authority of the Department and in compliance with the following:

- **2.1** EMS Rules and Regulations Chapter 511-9-2:
  - **2.1.1** Rule 511-9-2-.12,
  - **2.1.2** Rule 511-9-2-.13.
  - 2.1.3 Rule 511-9-2-.16, and
  - **2.1.4** Rule 511-9-2-.18.

## 3.0 DEFINITIONS

- 3.1 Continuing Education means any education required under EMS Rules 511-9-2-.13.
- **3.2** Department means the Georgia Department of Public Health, Office of EMS and Trauma.
- 3.3 EMS means emergency medical services.
- **3.4** EMS Rules means the Department's Rules and Regulations, Chapter 511-9-2.
- 3.5 EMS Personnel means any Emergency Medical Technician Responder (EMT-R), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate (EMT-I), Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT),

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Cardiac Technician (CT), or Paramedic (P) currently licensed by the Department.

- 3.6 Initial EMS Education means any EMR, EMT, AEMT, and Paramedic courses approved by Department.
- 3.7 Program Director the person at an Initial Education Program that is responsible for all aspects of the program, including, but not limited to: the administration, organization, and supervision of the educational program, the continuous quality review and improvement of the educational program, long range planning and ongoing development of the program, as well as the effectiveness of the program.
- 3.8 Course Coordinator the person at an Initial Education Program that is responsible for the coordination of an EMS Initial Education Course approved by the Department.
- 3.9 Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia Training means training developed by the Georgia Office of EMS & Trauma that provides medics with training related to Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia and the administration of Hydrocortisone Sodium Succinate (Solu-Cortef).

#### 4.0 SCOPE

This policy applies to all EMS Personnel licensed by the Department and all EMS Initial Education courses approved by the Department.

# 5.0 POLICY

It is the policy of the Department that EMS Personnel must successfully complete the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia.

#### **5.1** EMS Personnel.

- 5.1.1 EMS Personnel whose license expires in the year 2023, who did not complete the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia as part of their initial EMS education, must complete this training on or before March 31, 2023 (EMT, AEMT, Paramedic) or before September 30, 2023, for EMT-R as part of their continuing education requirement.
- 5.1.2 EMS Personnel whose license expires in the year 2024, who did not complete the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia as part of their initial EMS education, must complete this training on or before March 31, 2024 (EMT, AEMT, Paramedic) or before September 30, 2024, for EMT-R as part of their continuing education requirement.

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- **5.1.3** EMS Personnel who receive an initial EMS license after March 31, 2022, will be required to complete the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia.
- **5.1.4** Once completed, the training does not need to be completed for any future license renewal cycles.
- **5.2** EMS Initial Education Programs.
  - **5.2.1** All initial EMS education courses beginning on or after June 1, 2022, will be required to include the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia as part of the initial EMS education curriculum.
  - **5.2.2** A student only needs to complete this training once during their initial EMS education.

## 6.0 PROCEDURE

There is one pathway for EMS Personnel to complete this required training. The course is available on TRAIN Georgia. The video must be completed and the associated test must be successfully passed.

The web-based course is available on the Department's Learning Management System TRAIN Georgia at <a href="https://www.train.org/georgia/home">https://www.train.org/georgia/home</a>.

# 7.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 7.1 EMS Personnel shall be required to successfully complete the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia on or before the date specified in section 5 of this policy.
  - **7.1.1** EMS Personnel shall maintain verification of successful course completion of the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course in the event of an audit pursuant to EMS Rule 511-9-2-.13.
- 7.2 Program Directors and Course Coordinators overseeing Department approved initial EMS Initial Education programs that begin on or after June 1, 2022, shall verify that each student in their program has successfully completed the Georgia OEMST Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia course on TRAIN Georgia as part of the successful course completion.
  - **7.2.1** EMS Initial Education programs must maintain verification of students successful completion as part of the student's record as required by the Department pursuant to EMS Rule 511-9-2-.18(27).

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