

**HIGHLIGHTS** of the  
Idaho Emergency Medical Services **Physician Commission** (EMSPC)  
May 11, 2012 Meeting

**- Statewide EMS Protocols and Procedures**

The EMSPC Statewide Protocol Subcommittee hopes to have a complete set of protocols and procedures to submit to the Commission for approval at the November 2012 meeting. The Commission decided not to make them mandatory at this time and rescinded their proposed rule change regarding this. The Commission hopes to have the protocols ready for use by agencies after the November meeting. The protocols are written to the 2011 new curriculum scopes of practice level.

**- EMT On-Line Transition Course to be Available Through CentreLearn Solutions**

The EMT-2011 Transition Course will be available on-line soon. Agencies will still apply for a transition course but may use the on-line course as one of their instructors or for all of their classroom instruction. This will provide individual access to training on a self-paced basis, rather than the need to have all class members present at the same time. Arrangements will still need to be made for skills verification and competency assessment by their course physician or designee. The Bureau will distribute information on how to access this course as soon as it is available.

**- EMT-2011 Optional Modules Approved for 2013**

- 2 OMs:           Adult and Pediatric IO
- Peripheral IV
- Non-medicated IV Fluids
- Venous Blood Sampling
- Tracheobronchial Suctioning
- 2, 3 OM:       Supraglottic Airway Devices with End Tidal CO2 Monitoring/Capnometry

Though not yet determined, additional continuing education hours will be required each licensure cycle in conjunction with each of these EMT-2011 optional modules. They will be added to the 2013-1 EMSPC Standards Manual scope of practice, which should become effective July 1, 2013, if the legislature approves the changes.

**- Scope of Practice Grid Clarification –**

Peripheral – Initial on line 84 includes External Jugular